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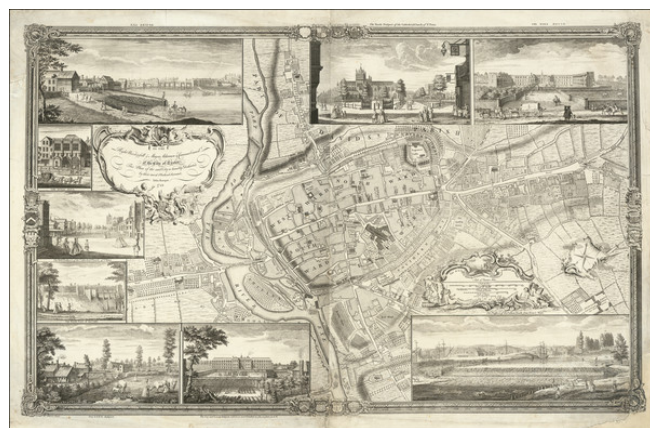
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(Exeter, England) Plan de la Ville et faubourgs D'Exeter, tres Exactement Leve & desseinne par I Roque.

Stock#: 99453
Map Maker: Rocque
Date: 1744
Place: London
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 46 x 29 inches
Price: \$ 3,500.00



Description:

This large 1744 wall map by John Rocque, with engraving by R. White, provides an elaborate depiction of Exeter, England, embellished with nine detailed vignettes of significant buildings and pastoral scenes. Spanning a substantial four feet wide, this two-sheet map offers a rare glimpse into the city's 18th-century landscape.

In the mid-18th century, Exeter was a flourishing city, characterized by its strategic importance in the southwest of England. The period marked a significant transition in urban planning and architecture, influenced by both local and European styles. Exeter, known for its rich history dating back to the Roman era, was a hub of commerce and culture at this time. This map, therefore, captures a critical moment in the city's evolution, portraying its layout and prominent structures amidst a period of social and architectural transformation.

John Rocque, a noted cartographer of the era, is renowned for his detailed city plans, and this work precedes his famous map of London by two years. The precision and artistry in Rocque's work are evident in the map's intricate vignettes, which include landmarks such as Exe Bridge, The Guild-Hall, and the Cathedral of St Peter. These vignettes not only serve as a testament to Rocque's skill but also provide a visual narrative of Exeter's architectural heritage, from its ecclesiastical buildings to civic structures.

Unique to this map is a small vignette above the French title cartouche, likely a self-portrait of Rocque as a surveyor.

Detailed Condition:



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Two sheets joined as one. Restoration of loss to the lower right corner. Small reinstatement at the bottom edge center join. A few other marginal restorations.