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[Battle of Saratoga] Plan of the Position which the Army under Lt. Gen. Burgoine took at Saratoga on the 10th of September 1777 and in which it remained till the Convention was signed.

Stock#: 101239 Map Maker: Faden

Date: 1780 Place: London

Color: Outline Color

Condition: VG+

Size: 18.5 x 9 inches

Price: \$ 950.00



Description:

Rare 1780 Faden Issue.

Rare first edition of this important early battle plan showing the position of the British and American troops following the Second Battle of Saratoga.

Following the first battle, British General Burgoyne took a defensive position while the Americans withdrew to wait for his next move. Burgoyne marched out and was attacked by General Gates on both flanks. While his army survived the battle, the consequences were quite severe. With his supplies running low and his escape blocked by the American, Burgoyne set up a final defensive camp near Saratoga, where he remained until he negotiated terms of surrender on Oct. 17, 1777. The battle was a major turning point in the American Revolution, as it was the American's first major victory and contributed significantly to the French decision to back the Americans.

Versions of the Map

This is the original edition engraved by Faden in 1780. The map shows the final encampment of Burgoyne's army, including troop placements and defenses across the Fish Kill from Saratoga and the American positions surrounding the British, including Gates's main army to the south of the Fish Kill, Morgan's riflemen in the woods to the west, and General Fellows troops blocking the escape route across the Hudson on the east.

This example appeared in Burgoyne's defense of his conduct during his disastrous campaign.



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Detailed Condition:

Engraving with hand-applied color on laid paper. Excellent bright tone and overall structural stability. Right edge and one edge loss reinstated with period paper pulp.