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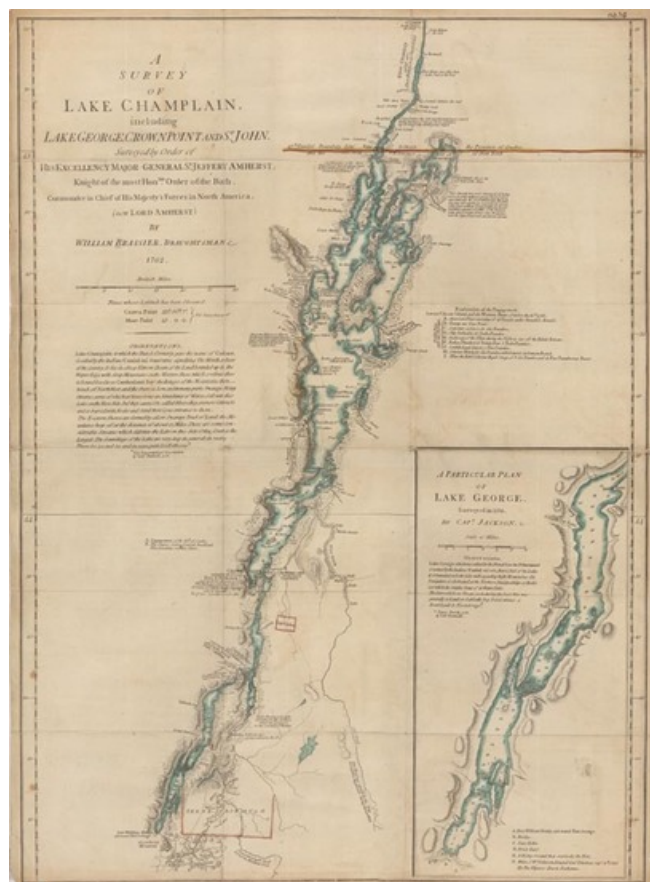
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A Survey of Lake Champlain, including Lake George, Crown Point and St. John, Surveyed by Order of His Excellency, Major General Sr. Jeffery Amherst . . . 1762

Stock#: 10152
Map Maker: Sayer & Bennett
Date: 1776
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 25.5 x 18 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Important Revolutionary War Period map of Lake Champlain, depicting William Brassier's survey of the region during the French & Indian War.

This excellent large detailed chart of Lake Champlain was based on the survey made by Brassier during 1758 and 1759, while he was in the employ of John Montrossor as both a surveyor and draughtsman. A number of the names have been changed, Ticonderoga was formerly Fort Carillon, Fort George and Fort William now feature as does Lake George (named after the British monarch in 1755).

Brassier's survey remained in manuscript form until the outset of the American Revolution. It was then engraved and first issued in Jeffery's *American Atlas*. Shortly afterwards the second state was published in Sayer and Bennett's *American Military Pocket Atlas* - the so-called *Holster Atlas*.



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Offered here is the second state, which has been updated in late 1776 to show the English and American Fleets off the Isle of Valcour on October 11, their movements down the river, and a second engagement off Crown Point on October 13, with lettered references. The inset illustrates America's first naval battle, in which General Benedict Arnold, though forced back down the lake, was able to delay the British attempt to descend to the Hudson for that year. No mention, of course, is made of Ethan Allen's taking of Fort Ticonderoga in 1775.

Detailed Condition:

Narrow margins, as issued, with one or two minor tears, just entering the image, and a bit of misfolding, from having been bound into the Holster Atlas, and several reinforcements. The map would seem to have been rebound at an early date into a composite