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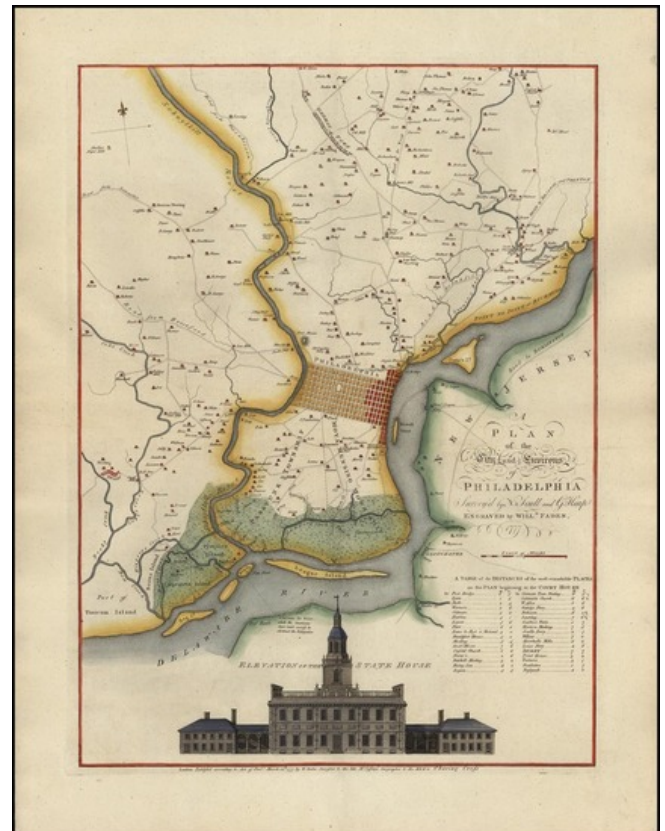
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A Plan of the City and Environs of Philadelphia Survey'd by N. Scull & G. Heap, Engraved by Wm. Faden

Stock#: 17093
Map Maker: Faden
Date: 1777
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 24 x 18 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

First state of Faden's map of Philadelphia, based upon the rare Scull & Heap Plan of Philadelphia.

When first issued in 1752, the Scull and Heap Plan of Philadelphia was intended to promote William Penn's new city on the Delaware River. When the events of the American Revolution began to heat up, illustrations of the center of the revolt, Philadelphia, were immediately in demand. This demand was soon met by publishers in England, Germany and France with the reissue of the Scull and Heap map, still the most up-to-date cartographic treatment of Philadelphia then available. Holmes' grid plan for the city is shown, situated between the rivers, and numerous outlying 'country seats' are placed and named, with the primitive road system also indicated.

Faden updated from the first edition to take into account the changes in the place names and environs of the City since the middle of the Century, and Heap's elevation of the statehouse is moved from the top to



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the bottom center of the plate. The result of all this is a highly attractive and historic map that shows Philadelphia at the time of the Revolution. Nebenzahl Battle Plans #131; Snyder #46. The island between Hog Island and Mudd Island is unnamed and the southern coastline of the Delaware is incomplete, corresponding with the rare first state of the map. Tooley 69a, Nebenzahl #130, Snyder 47.

Detailed Condition: