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Arx Nassovii

Stock#: 24007
Map Maker: Ogilby
Date: 1671
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 14 x 11 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

An attractive early view of Fort Nassau.

This fine early view depicts the scene of a battle off the coast of Pernambuco on the east coast of Brazil, during the Dutch & Portuguese struggle to retain ownership of the area. Fort Nassau (Arx Nassovii) shown in this scene, along with two other Forts (not shown) Fort Prince William & Fort Frederik Hendrik, formed part of the defense of the coast. Fort Nassau was named after Count Mauritius de Nassau, a German serving the Dutch King who was appointed Governor of the Territory.

This view appeared in John Ogilby's seminal atlas *America: Being the Latest, and Most Accurate Description of the New World*, published in London in 1671. Ogilby's work is an English translation of Arnoldus Montanus' *Die Nieuwe en onbekende Weereld...*, published in Amsterdam, although greatly expanded in some instances and with new maps and views.

Detailed Condition: