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A Map of the British and French Settlements in North America (with text relating to map, etc.)

Stock#: 26961
Map Maker: Gentleman's Magazine
Date: 1755
Place: London
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 15 x 11 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Marvelous map of the United States and Canada, which would appear to be an early reduced copy of John Mitchell's map.

Notably, many of the more interesting annotations are drawn directly from the Mitchell's map. The boundaries of Virginia, North Carolina, Southern Carolina and Georgia extend to the Mississippi. Earl Granville's Property is noted and showing extending from Albermarle Sound to the Mississippi.

At least 30 early French and English forts are shown. The map includes a number of historical notes, including the Virginia-New England border of 1609, The Limits Stipulated in 1738 for Georgia, the Bounds of Hudson's Bay by the Treaty of Utrecht, the North Bounds of New England by Chart of 1620 (extending toward the Pacific Ocean to the west of Lake Superior), etc.

The course of the Ohio or Fair River is derived directly from the Mitchell. The Prov of Maine and Massachusetts Bay appear, with East and West New Jersey delineated, but named only New Jersey. Delaware County appears as part of Pennsylvania. A note showing "Walker 1750" refers to Dr. Thomas Walker, a physician and explorer from Virginia who led an expedition beyond the Allegheny Mountains. Walker was responsible for naming what is now known as the Cumberland Plateau and by extension the Cumberland River for the Duke of Cumberland. His party were some of the first Englishmen to see this area-previous white explorers were largely of Spanish and French origins. Walker explored Kentucky in 1750, 19 years before the arrival of Daniel Boone.

Detailed Condition: