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A map of New England, New York, New Jersey and Pensilvania . . . 1730

Stock#: 39653
Map Maker: Moll
Date: 1730
Place: London
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 16 x 14 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Scarce large format map of the British Colonies, from the Upper Chesapeake and Delaware Bays to Piscataway and Albany, centered on New York City, Long Island and Cape Cod.

The map is extremely detailed for the period, locating dozens of towns, Indian villages, rivers, forts and other places of note and illustrating the primary colonial road from Portsmouth, through Boston, New Bristol, Newport, New York City, Perth Amboy, Burlington and finally Philadelphia. The map also locates the towns to which Missionaries have been sent by the Incorporated Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts.

The map appeared in David Humphreys's *An Historical Account of the Incorporated Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts. Containing their Foundation, Proceedings, and the Success of their Missionaries in the British Colonies, to the Year 1728*. The work contains a number of interesting contemporary reports from the Colonies, including accounts of Yamasee and Tuscarora wars in the Carolinas, the New York slave insurrections of 1712, the Four Indian Kings who traveled to England, and a 1715, New York edition of a Mohawk prayer book. In general, Humphreys documented the inevitable trials of attempting to convert and educate a strong aboriginal populace. As noted by Decker, the book

Deals entirely with America, compiled from papers sent to the Society by the Governors of the Colonies. This work details accounts of the travels, hardships and adventures of missionaries



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sent to New York City, Westchester Country, Albany, Staten Island, Pennsylvania, the Carolinas. There is also some account of the Iroquois and their leaders; of the people and churches of Boston, Rhode Island, Narragansett, Newbury.

The maps in Humphrey's book rarely appear on the market. No copy of this map is noted by AMPR as having appeared in a dealer catalog or at auction in nearly 30 years and this is the first time we have ever seen the map offered for sale separately. While the book's theme relates to missionary travels among the Indians of the the British Colonies, the map is among the most detailed single sheet English maps of the region in the first half of the 18th Century. It comes prior to the issuance of most of the multi-sheet English regional maps of the British Colonies. While the title is similar to Moll's much smaller *New England, New York, New Jersey, and Pensilvania &c.*, the scale and detail of this map are much better than the smaller map.

Detailed Condition:

Narrow margins, as issued. Minor repair at lower central fold.