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A Map of the Country between Crown Point and Fort Edward

Stock#: 42491
Map Maker: Gentleman's Magazine
Date: 1759
Place: London
Color: Outline Color
Condition: VG+
Size: 7.5 x 4.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Rare French & Indian War era map of the area between the southern part of Lake Champlain and Fort Edward.

The map was one of the earliest maps of North America to appear in the *Gentleman's Magazine*.

This map depicts the area surrounding Lake George, along the northeastern border of New York state, extending up to Lake Champlain. Several forts are shown, including Fort Ticonderoga, along with a very good path east and west next to the Drown'd Lands. One of the trails is labeled Dieskau's Path referring to



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the route taken by French and Indian forces under the command of German Baron Ludwig August Dieskau and British and Colonial troops under Sir William Johnson that resulted in a series of skirmishes and engagements known collectively as The Battle of Lake George. This battle was the first significant win against the French forces by British Provincials.

This map illustrates events of the French and Indian Wars. In 1757, the Marquis de Montcalm marched a sizable force from Fort Carillon (renamed Fort Ticonderoga when captured by the British in 1759), and laid siege to English forces at Fort William Henry. The English eventually were forced to surrender because reinforcements did not arrive. The ensuing Fort William Henry massacre was greatly exaggerated in the press and British troops were extremely reluctant to surrender to the French thereafter.

Detailed Condition: