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British Dominions in America agreeable to the Treaty of 1763; Divided into several Provinces and Jurisdictions, By Thos. Kitchin Geogr.

Stock#: 51418 Map Maker: Dury

Date: 1777
Place: London
Color: Outline Color

Condition: VG

Size: 21 x 17 inches

Price: \$ 4,200.00



Description:

Rare Revolutionary War Era Map of the American Colonies.

Andrew Dury's rare double-page engraved map of the American colonies, published during the Revolutionary War. This example in subtle, but pleasing, old outline hand-color.

Dury's *British Dominions in America* is closely based on Mitchell's monumental map of the American colonies. It shows Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia stretching all the way to the Mississippi River. Pennsylvania extends north of Lake Erie.

The map pays particularly close attention to the Indian tribes of the interior, especially in the South and west of the Appalachian Mountains.

The present map was first prepared after the French and Indian War and was issued until the 1780s. This war-dated issue is rare. The present map is not to be confused with the Kitchin map that appeared in Guthrie's *Geography* in the early 1780s; that map is more common.

Andrew Dury

Andrew Dury (fl. 1766-1777?) was a British map and print publisher who operated out of Duke's Court on St. Martin's Lane in London. He was an accomplished mapmaker but substantially less successful than



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contemporaries such as Thomas Jefferys or William Faden, and his maps are relatively quite rare. Dury's name is most commonly associated with Rennell's large Indian maps. Dury was also responsible for Revolutionary War era plans of Boston and Philadelphia, as well as a series of maps related to the Russo-Turkish War of 1768-74.

Rarity

The map is quite rare on the market. We note only 1 example in British or American Auctions in the past 20 years (Swann 1996, \$6,440) and none appearing in dealer catalogs. OCLC locates only 1 example in an American Institutional Collection (Clements/ U of Michigan) and 2 in German Libraries. The Gilder-Lehrman collection shows a copy of the map.

Detailed Condition:

Original outline color. Few light creases around the edge, small repaired separation at bottom of centerfold, soiling around the margins.