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A Plan of the City and Harbour of Louisburg in which are pointed out the principle places mentioned in the record of the Siege of that Fortress by the New Englanders in 1745 . . .

Stock#: 79488
Map Maker: Bell & Co. / Scots Magazine
Date: 1745
Place: Edinburgh
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 9.5 x 7 inches
Price: \$ 575.00



Description:

Fine scarce map showing the siege of the fortress of Louisburg on Cape Breton during King George's War, an operation undertaken by New England colonialists. This map showing an important battle in early colonial history was published in Edinburgh shortly after the siege by *Scots Magazine*, a leading source of news not only in Scotland but in Europe.

The map shows the colonial encampment not far from the city, naming various regiments and showing the extent of the picket line. Some detail is available within Louisburg, and an Island Battery is shown offshore. An inset map shows the whole of Cape Breton (also known as Isle Royal at the time), as well as some of the Nova Scotian mainland.

Louisbourg was held by French colonial forces at the time, and it was used as a base for privateers during King George's War, the North American portion of the War of the Austrian Succession. As such, it was attacked by New England colonial forces with the aid of a British fleet. It would be held until the end of the war when it was exchanged for French gains elsewhere.

Rarity

This is the first time we have offered this map for sale. A [similar map](#) shows the same region several years later during the French and Indian War.



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Detailed Condition:

Minor vertical fold toning in the right of map.