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## **(French and Indian War) The History of the Late War in North-America, and the Islands of the West Indies**

**Stock#:** 92512  
**Map Maker:** Mante  
**Date:** 1772  
**Place:** London  
**Color:** Uncolored  
**Condition:** VG+  
**Size:** 12 x 9 inches  
**Price:** \$ 75,000.00



### **Description:**

***The best contemporary account of the French and Indian War, justly celebrated for its cartography and textual content, and one of the great rarities of colonial Americana.***

***Complete with all maps and the elusive errata leaf.***

Virtually all of Mante's account relates to the war in North America, with detailed narratives of Braddock's campaign and the other frontier and Canadian campaigns of the conflict. The work is particularly desirable for its contemporary descriptions of Pontiac's War, a campaign in which the author participated as Major of Brigade to Colonel Dudley Bradstreet. In addition, the introduction includes an interesting account of the young George Washington's escape in 1753 from assassination by an Indian who acted as his interpreter and guide. Mante evidently took great care to gather information that was both historically and cartographically accurate for the present work.

*[Mante] describes with great detail and campaigns of Washington and Braddock, of Generals Abercrombie and Amherst, and of Colonels Bradstreet and Boquet. The last chapter gives the principal incidents of Pontiac's war. The eighteen large folding maps and plans which should accompany the text, are often missing - Field.*

### **The Maps**

The maps are praised by all bibliographers as being by far the best relating to the war, and include several seminal maps which are the most accurate produced to that time. They comprise:

- 1) Fort Beau Sejour, & the adjacent Country Taken Possession of by Colonel Monckton
- 2) Lake Ontario to the Mouth of the River St. Lawrence



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- 3) [Map of Lake George and vicinity]
- 4) A Plan of Fort Edward & Its Environs on Hudsons River
- 5) Communication Between Albany & Oswego
- 6) Attack on Louisbourg [by Amherst & Boscawen]
- 7) The Attack of Ticonderoga [by Major General Abercromby]
- 8) Plan of Fort Pitt or Pittsburg
- 9) Guadaloupe
- 10) Attack on Quebec [by Wolfe & Saunders]
- 11) A Sketch of the Cherokee Country
- 12) The River Saint Lawrence from Lake Ontario to the Island of Montreal
- 13) A Plan of the Attack upon Fort Levi
- 14) River St. Lawrence from Montreal to the Island of St. Barnaby ... & the Islands of Jeremy
- 15) A View of the Coast of Martinico Taken by Desire of Rear Adml Rodney
- 16) Part, of the West Coast, of the Island of Saint Lucia
- 17) Plan of the Retaking Newfoundland [by Colville & Amherst]
- 18) Attack of the Havanna [by Albemarle & Pococke]

Sabin writes of this great rarity: "Copies with all the maps are scarce. It is probable that but few were printed, though the large and beautiful plans and military maps (which gave it so great a value), must have made its production a work of much expense."

**Detailed Condition:**

Large Quarto (11 7/16 x 9 inches). Full calf, skilfully rebaked. Spine with gilt-ruled raised bands forming seven compartments, red morocco lettering piece in the second compartment. [iv], viii, 542, errata leaf. 18 folding engraved maps.