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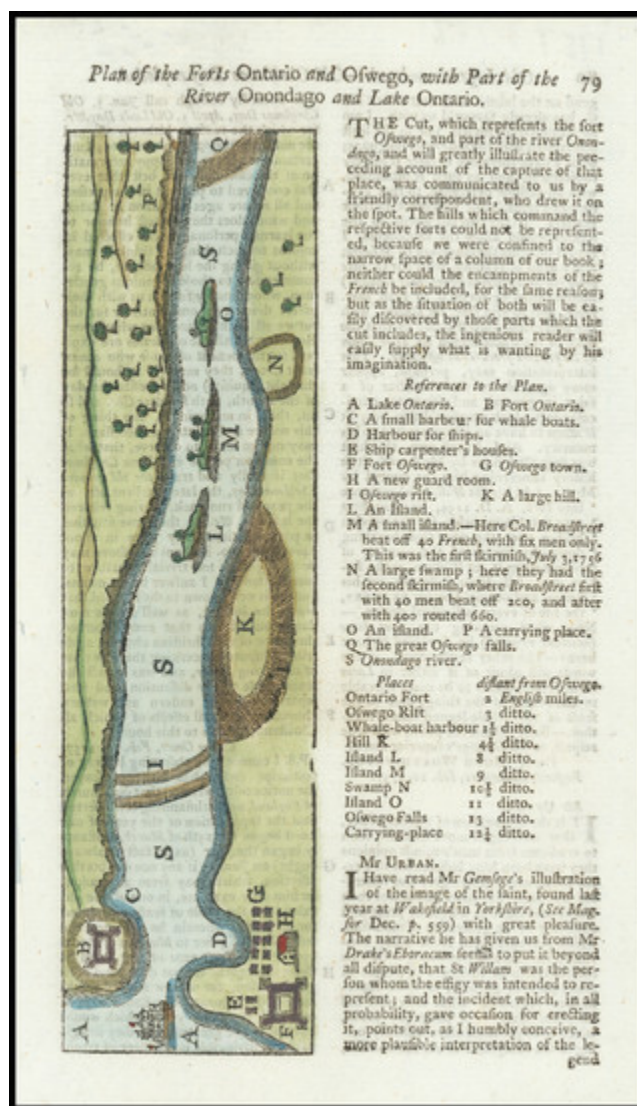
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Plan of the Forts Ontario and Oswego with Part of the River Onondago and Lake Ontario

Stock#: 92892
Map Maker: Gentleman's Magazine
Date: 1757
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 4 x 7.5 inches Including Text
Price: \$ 125.00



Description:

Scarce 1757 woodcut map from the *Gentleman's Magazine*, depicting the Forts Ontario and Oswego along the River Onondaga in New York, providing a detailed glimpse into the geography and military history of the region during the French and Indian War.

The map offers a visual representation of the strategically significant Fort Oswego and Fort Ontario, both



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located in the Great Lakes region of North America. Fort Oswego, established in 1727 under the orders of New York Governor William Burnet, served as an 18th-century trading post and British presence in the region. In 1756, during the French and Indian War, the fort's garrison was defeated by a combined force of French and Native American troops. Over one hundred British soldiers were killed, and the French took 1,500 British prisoners before destroying the fort.

Fort Ontario, situated on the east side of the Oswego River, was built in 1755 to reinforce the defenses around the east end of Lake Ontario. Initially named the "Fort of the Six Nations," it was destroyed by French forces during the Battle of Fort Oswego in 1756 and later rebuilt by the British in 1759. This woodcut map captures these forts and their surrounding landscapes during a pivotal time in their history.

Detailed Condition: