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A Plan of the City's Of London, Westminster and Borough of Southwark; with the new Additional Buildings: Anno 1720

Stock#: 74659
Map Maker: Senex
Date: 1721
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 23 x 20 inches
Price: \$ 2,200.00



Description:

Fine Plan of London By One of The Most Famous English Mapmakers of the 18th Century.

Decorative and highly detailed map of London, published by John Senex and engraved by Samuel Parker.

This is an excellent parish by parish, block by block map of London that was built after the Great Fire of 1666. The map includes an index that locates 87 parishes in London and Westminster, and eight in Southwark. Many parishes had new churches built between the years 1670 and 1711 are shown, 52 of which were designed and executed by Christopher Wren.

The attractive cartouche includes symbols of London's greatness: two cornucopias, one of fruit and one of precious metal objects and jewels. At the base is a picture of a king, presumably George II, whose sword and scepter are supported by two dragons. To the sides and behind these are symbols of British cultural and mercantile superiority.

The map is dedicated to Sir Peter Delme, a very wealthy and powerful gentleman, one of the first residents of Grosvenor Square, and, for a time, Lord Mayor.

Detailed Condition: