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LOVE'S GEODAESIA: THE ART OF SURVEYING AND MEASURING OF LAND MADE EASY -RARE - 1796

Love, John. GEODAESIA: OR, THE ART OF SURVEYING, AND MEASURING LAND MADE EASY; SHEWING, BY PLAIN AND PRACTICAL RULES, TO SURVEY, PROTRACT, CAST UP, REDUCE OR DIVIDE ANY PIECE OF LAND WHATSOEVER; WITH NEW TABLES FOR THE EASE OF THE SURVEYOR IN REDUCING THE MEASURE OF LAND; MOREOVER, A MORE FACILE AND SURE WAY OF SURVEYING BY THE CHAIN, THAN HAS HITHERTO BEEN TAUGHT; AS ALSO, TO LAY OUT LANDS IN AMERICA, OR ELSEWHERE; AND HOW TO MAKE A PERFECT MAP OF A RIVER'S MOUTH OR HARBOUR; WITH SEVERAL OTHER THINGS NEVER BEFORE PUBLISHED IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE. NY: Samuel Campbell, 1796. 8vo., 189 pages not including tables and appendix. Beautifully illustrated in text with diagrams and tables. Contemporary calf, red spine label with gold trim; some light foxing, a very good copy with clean text throughout. Prior owners name nicely written in ink at top of title page not affecting text and on rear end page with date of 1800. Thirteenth edition, "adapted to American surveyors" (second American edition, first issued by Campbell in 1793 and originally published in London, 1688). A standard 18th-century work. Rink 2384.

John Love published his first edition after returning from surveying in America. He was particularly concerned about the lack of knowledge exhibited by young surveyors in the Carolinas. Later editions of the book appeared for over a century with the 12th and 13th (1796) editions being published in New York. The work changed little over the years, even considering the later revisions of Samuel Clark. Instructions are given in use of a Gunter chain and measuring angles with the circumferentor (or surveyors compass), plane table, and semicircle. There are also directions for taking field notes and measuring and calculating the acreage for plots of land. First American President George Washington (1732-1799) studied surveying from Love's *Geodaesia* which was widely used in America.

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