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DEZALLIER D'ARGENVILLE, ANTOINE JOSEPH LA THEORIE ET LA PRACTIQUE DU JARDINAGE

Paris: Jean Mariette, 1709. First edition, 4to., 32 folding or double plates (lacking three which are supplied in facsimile), contemporary mottled calf, spine decorated gilt in compartments, wear to head and tail and edges, outer joints splitting, book plates of John and Michael Bury

Note: Despite the missing 3 plates, a very good copy of this highly influential work. Translated into English in 1712, it includes a description for the first time in England of the use of a fosse or deep ditch as an invisible division between the garden and the landscape beyond, a device now known as a 'ha-ha' (or in French a "claire-voie" or "ah-ah", and especially associated with the English landscape school.