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The Fortress of lavarin or Raab - modern Gyor

CAMOCIO, Giovanni Francesco. Fortezza di lavarin dove si trova hora il campo de l'impator.

Venice: Ferrando and/or Donato Bertelli, c.1575. 160 x 180mm.

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The fortress of lavarin (in German Raab), on the south bank of the Danube, guarded the important road from Budapest to Vienna. The walls here are those designed by Francesco Benigno, an Italian military engineer, after the previous walls was destroyed in 1529 to stop the Turks occupying the fortress. Attacked several times, the fortress was taken by the Ottomans in 1594 and recaptured by the Austro-Hungarian army in 1598. This plan was published in Camocio's 'Isole famose, porti fortezze e terre marittime sottoposte alla Ser.ma Sig.ria di Venezia', a description of the places claimed as subject to the Republic of Venice. A later state, with plate number.

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