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**A Map of Worcester shire Town of the County of Worcester. By H. Stebbins. Published
by C. Harris. 1883.**

Stock#: 0068bm
Map Maker: Stebbins
Date: 1833
Place: Boston
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 30 x 22 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

The best map of Worcester published in the 19th Century.

This remarkable early lithographic map includes ten vignette views of buildings, including churches, schools, the "Antiquarian Hall" (i.e. American Antiquarian Society), town hall, the "Lunatic Hospital" and "House of Corrections."

As noted by Walter Ristow:

This 1833 map of the town of Worcester, Massachusetts, was printed by Pendleton's lithography. It is distinctive for its depiction of generalized relief and vegetation on the map and of churches and public buildings in the margins.



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The detail on the map is impressive, with hundreds of individual residences named and the locations of businesses identified. The printing of the map is exceptional, with the hachuring and views exquisitely rendered on stone by Pendleton's Lithography.

Stebbins worked as a lawyer in South Brookfield, Massachusetts, but was also a trained surveyor. Following work on this map, he was employed as a Civil Engineer by the Massachusetts Western Railroad.

We locate only the Harvard and University of Massachusetts examples.

Detailed Condition:

2 sheets, joined. Minor repairs along old folds and a printer's crease near the top of the image.