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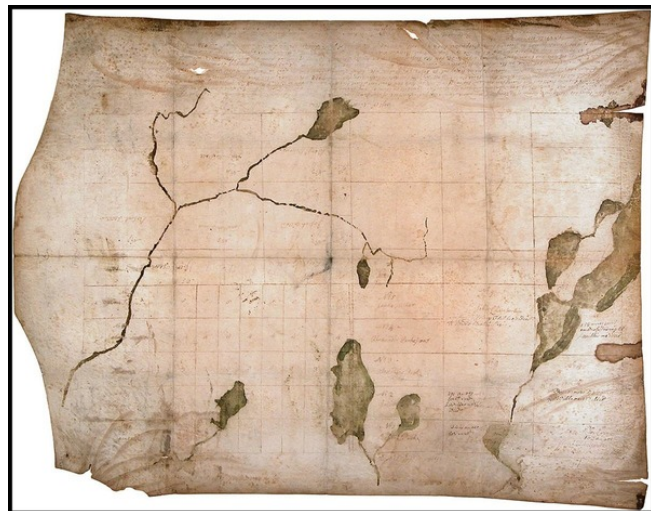
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[Colonial New Hampshire Map on Sheepskin] A Plan of a Tract of Land called Monadnock Number six, 1768, Measured according to an agreement with Thomas Packer, Esq. as Follows...

Stock#: 17048
Map Maker: Batchelder
Date: 1768
Place: New Hampshire
Color: Pen & Ink with Wash Color
Condition: VG
Size: 30 x 22 inches
Price: \$ 12,500.00



Description:

Original manuscript survey of a part of Nelson Township, New Hampshire, executed under an agreement with Thomas Packer, one of the original New Hampshire proprietors and son-in-law of Lt. Governor John Wentworth. The township name was changed to Packersfield, shortly before the survey was completed.

The survey was executed by Breed Batchelder, one of the first settlers in the region and its first surveyor. After serving in the French & Indian War, Batchelder located into the area and quickly became one of the largest land owners and most prominent citizens.

Thomas Packer was the High Sheriff of Portsmouth, N.H., until he fell out of favor in connection with the execution of a young girl. He was burned in effigy in 1814, and the township name changed in tribute to Horatio Nelson.

Batchelder was an outspoken British Loyalist who fell out of favor and was literally run out of town at the outset of the American Revolution. He lived in a cave outside of town which still bears his name, for 3 months, before being discovered. He again fled by foot and later fought under Burgoyne, in the Battle of Bennington in 1777.

An extremely rare item. Very few sheepskin surveys from this period have survived and almost none in better condition.



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Detailed Condition:

A bit faded.