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The Island of New Providence. Surveyed by Edward Barnett, Commander, H.M.S. **Thunder**, **1839**

Stock#:	19074
Map Maker:	British Admiralty

Date: 1839 London Place: Uncolored **Color:** VG+ **Condition:** $40 \ge 27$ inches Size: **Price:**

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Description:

Rare early charting of New Providence in the Bahamas. The map is exceptionally detailed and includes the location of every building in Nassau.

Edward Barnett (1799-1879) entered the Royal Navy in 1811, quite probably before his 12th Birthday. He attained the rank of Lieutenant in 1826, Commander in 1838, Captain in 1846, Retired Rear-Admiral in 1864, Retired Vice-Admiral in 1871 and Retired Admiral in1877. He worked in the Hydrographic Department from 1830 to 1833, before venturing into service in the Americas between 1835 and 1846. During this time, he led the survey of the Coast of Central America and the Bahamas, first aboard the Jackdaw, which was lost on an uncharted reef off Old Providence and later as the Commander of ther Lark and the Thunder. The 1839 map of New Providence is guite rare, with no example appearing on the market in the past 30 years. We were able to locate only an 1861 edition offered in the past 5 years (Murray Hudson).

Detailed Condition: