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New York

Stock#: 53268 Map Maker: Greenleaf

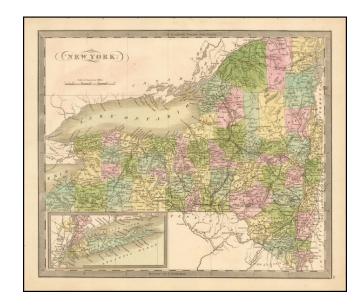
Date: 1840

Place: Brattleboro, VT Color: Hand Colored

Condition: VG

Size: 13 x 11 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Greenleaf edition of David Burr's map of New York, which appeared in Greenleaf's Universal Atlas.

A highly detailed map, owing undoubtedly to Burr's prior New York Atlas and separate county pocket maps which had begun publishing in the 1820s. Shows towns, rivers, roads, railroads, canals, lakes, islands and substantial other detail. Large inset of Long Island. One of the scarcest maps of NY issued during the period. Burr's Atlas was perhaps the most elegant American commercially published atlas of its time, utilizing wonderful wash colors and elegant engraving style. Burr studied under Simeon DeWitt in New York. His first atlas was an Atlas of New York State, the second state atlas to be issued in the US (after Mills Atlas of South Carolina in 1826).

In the 1830s, Burr served as topographer for the US Post Office, producing a series of rare and highly sought after large format state maps during this period. Later, he was appointed as the Geographer of the House of Representatives, where he served during the later part of the 1830s. Burr is widely regarded as one of the most important names in American Cartographic history.

Detailed Condition: