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The State of Massachusetts from the best Authorities, 1799

Stock#: m9479 **Map Maker:** Payne

Date: 1799Place: New YorkColor: Uncolored

Condition: VG+

Size: 9.5 x 7.5 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

One of the earliest obtainable maps of the state. Shows counties, towns, roads, rivers, lakes, islands, harbors, bays, court houses, along with topographical details. Nice detail in Martha's Vineyard, Nantucket. Identifies No Man's Island. Berkshire County boundary not shown. Norfolk County not shown. Provincetown is on an island. Based upon Reid's 1796 map, with Malder still spelled incorrectly. Wheat & Brun 222. Following the publication of Carey's American Atlas in 1795, there were a small group of 18th Century works which included a complete set of state maps, including John Reid's American Atlas, Joseph T. Scott's Gazetteer, Carey's Pocket atlas and works by Jeddidiah Morse. This small group of maps and the few separately issued maps of the region, which are now virtually unobtainable, mark the beginnings of the indigenous cartographic publishing business in America, and are now highly soughtafter.

Detailed Condition: