

Overshot Coverlet (Half One Panel) c 1840 ^{unidentified Weaver} found in Prince Edward
- 50 ^{CO}

Ref. Keep Me Warm One Night. Burnhams
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"Queen's Delight" pattern
variation

Unfortunately when I purchased this one panel
(of two), the antique dealer from Prince Edward County
told me she had found two panels at a sale in
the county but had sold one earlier in the day. She
thought they were two single bed coverlets - NO
The other half of this coverlet is hopefully still out
there somewhere in the Toronto area.

The colourful example uses red, yellow and
blue ^{wool} ~~wool~~ on a natural white cotton warp. It
has a long fringe still intact on the bottom
edge. The pattern is known as a variation
of Queen's Delight. Similar patch like patterns
are known but rarely seen in Ontario and
Cape Breton, Nova Scotia. The design formed
by simple squares and rectangles results
in an overall pleasing impact.

According to Burnhams, when they have been
seen it usually in Ontario's Prince Edward County.
Did this weaver have Loyalist roots?

Condition: For the one panel, it is in excellent
condition with the fringe intact - with modest
wear. Preservation accounts for the fact that
the panels were never joined and used.

Source: Prince Ed County antique dealer, at Cloverdale
Antique Show about 1978

Dimensions: 90" (229 cm) L. x 35 1/4" (89.5 cm) W.

Very long as occurs on several early examples.



