

Overshot Coverlet c. 1850

* Note Camden Twp. - incorporated by Burnham

pass at Colebrook area
Camden Township
unidentified weaver

Although woven in indigo blue wool on white cotton warp, the result is a woven coverlet of dramatic impact.

The pattern/draft is a variation known as 'Distant Beauty' (Burnham). Each block has a large 'wheel' at each corner with a star in the with a cross to the next block.

This fine example relates to two other coverlets in the ROM as documented by Dorothy & Harold Burnham in 'Keep The Warm One Tight' # 309 and 319 also 'wheel variations'. The weaver has not been identified by name (yet) but, was working in the Colebrook community of Lennox and Addington County.

The two sections are well woven with a well matched centre seam. Both ends are turned and bound. (no bottom fringe) - simple and basic in keeping with many mid 19th c weavers.

Condition: Excellent (very minor stain) - no wear.

Source: Tim Potter Auctions, Naponee. c. 2010

from a local collection of L & A. Canadiana

Dimensions 93" (236 cm) L x 65" (165 cm) W.

This is a weaver who used excellent technique to create dramatic impact. Unfortunately I was not able to identify the family in L & A. who owned it.



