

Overshot Coverlet 1840-60

Unknown Weaver.
poss. Lingamed Colebrook Weaver
Camden Township, Lenoir & Addington Co.

Ret. Keep Me Warm One Night, Burnham's 'Freemason's Coat of Arms' draft
295 variation.

This is another very attractive piece of hand-woven coverlet. It is expertly woven using a variation of 'The Freemason's Coat of arms'. The coverlet uses dark pink and black wool for the weft on a natural cotton warp. Pink is an unusual colour to appear in early coverlets. If a natural dye recipe was not used, it may be a commercial dye, suggesting a later date.

The coverlet was purchased in Lenoir and Addington County in the town of Napawa suggesting a possible link to the nearby unknown Colebrook weaver from Camden Township. This is supported by an example woven by her in the ROM - # 295 (KIMWON). in the collection of Canadian Museum of History D5326. 'The extra block on the outside of the star' motif is part of the framing of the table Burnham. The stars in this case have been extended and with the black wool appear more as blocks (two thread blocks).

The variations in this example are a strong link to the CMGHist. and 2 ROM examples - not just a coincidence.

The coverlet has 'EA' initials stitched into the bottom right - ^{back} - probably the first owner. No known weavers in L & A. County have these links.

Condition: Excellent - no evidence of regular use.

The centre seam is carefully matched and stitched.

Source: Lambert Auctions, Napawa Co 2008 Possible link to the Miles & VandeBogart families early L & A.

Dimensions: 85 1/2" (217 cm?) x 66" (168 cm.) w.

Overall a very special & rare example.





