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## Title Map of the Most Inhabited Part of New England

Date 1777

Primary Maker Unknown

Medium Engraving; black printer's ink and watercolor on laid paper

Description Map in two pieces, showing New England and part of New York State, from what is now Vermont and New Hampshire to the north, the Atlantic Ocean to the east, Long Island and the Long Island Sound to the south, and New York State to the west. The states and provinces are divided into counties and towns, both labeled. Towns are divided with broken solid lines. Elevation is depicted with clusters of peaks. Shoals, banks and islands off the coastline of New England are marked. In the top left corner of the left piece, section a, is an inset map of Boston, showing local streets and landmarks. Letters on it correspond with a reference list of places located below the inset, and there are numbers that appear on it that do not seem to be related to anything in the reference list. In the bottom left corner of the right piece, section b, is an inset map of Boston Harbor, which shows the city of Boston and the surrounding islands. What are presumably water depths in fathoms are shown on this inset. The cartouche is decorative and depicts a scene labeled "Plymouth MDCXX [1620]." It shows a Native American wearing a loincloth and feathered headdress greeting a group of Pilgrims, their ship visible in the background. An allegorical figure presumably meant to represent Liberty, holds a liberty cap on a pole.

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Dimensions Primary Dimensions (left side, part a, image height x width):  $39 \frac{7}{8} \times$

19in. (101.3 x 48.3cm) Platemark (left side, part a, height only):  $40 \frac{1}{2}$ in. (102.9

cm) Sheet (left side, part a, height x width):  $41 \frac{1}{4} \times 20$ in. (104.8 x 50.8cm)

Primary Dimensions (right side, part b, image height x width):  $39 \frac{3}{4} \times 21 \frac{3}{8}$ in.

(101 x 54.3cm) Platemark (right side, part b, height x width):  $40 \frac{3}{4} \times 19 \frac{3}{4}$ in.

(103.5 x 50.2cm) Sheet (right side, part b, height x width):  $43 \frac{1}{2} \times 21 \frac{3}{8}$ in. (110.5

x 54.3cm)