

Basic Detail Report

Title Hartford in 1640

Date after 1851

Primary Maker William S. Porter

Medium Lithography; black printer's ink on wove paper

Description Map of Hartford as the city was laid out in 1640, and oriented east-west on the sheet. It extends from "Part of the Cow Pasture" to the north, the Connecticut River ("Great River" on the map) to the east, "Part of the Ox Pasture" to the south, and the West Field to the west. The Little River runs east-west to where it meets the Connecticut River. Land lots are numbered and contain a square that presumably represents the location of the building on it, and the name of the property owner and, in some cases, the name of the individual to whom it was sold. To the right of the map is an alphabetical list of freeholders and their corresponding lot numbers. The roads are not named, as such, but they are labeled with descriptions of where they come from or lead. Public spaces, such as the meeting house yard, "prison jail," and market place are included, as are roads.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (image height x width): 16 1/8 x 12 1/2in. (41 x 31.8cm) Sheet (height x width): 22 x 14 1/4in. (55.9 x 36.2cm)