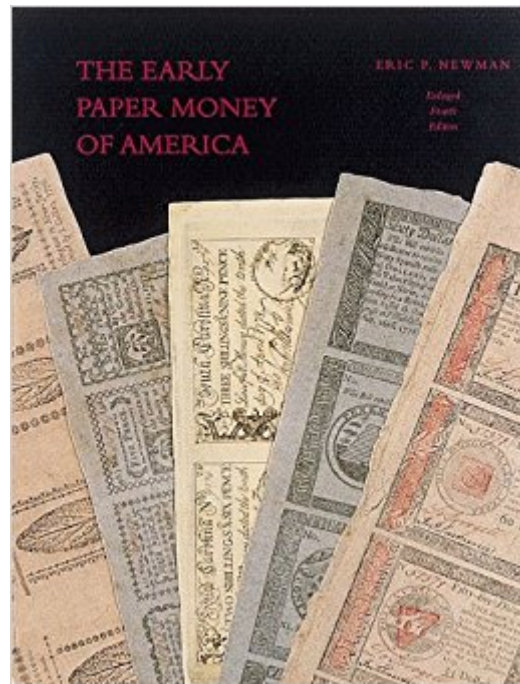




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Synopsis

Complete historical and descriptive data on early American, colonial, state, and continental paper currency from 1686 to 1800. Eric P. Newman has completely revised and updated this popular book, which also includes current values of all available bills.

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Customer Reviews

I recently decided to begin collecting early American paper money. I was surprised and intrigued by how almost everyone (literally and with no exaggeration) with advanced knowledge of the subject recommended I purchase this book. In general in life, when numerous people who know much more about something than you do tell you to do something, it's probably best that you listen, and this was certainly the case with this book. The pages of this book are printed on high-quality glossy paper, and I love the way each emission is carefully laid out. The history of each issuance with signers, color of ink, etc.. all the details are in here. I really don't know how this book could be improved, other than perhaps more color pictures rather than black and white, or with even more pictures in general, though this is probably a greedy request. This will remain THE reference book for me for years to come, until a new edition is published.

Colonial currency is a fairly static target. They don't make them that way anymore. You don't need a new book every few years. As expected for a 495 page reference book you get a lot for your money.

There are plenty of fact presentations, pictures, and price lists. As with all books with price lists the prices are out of date before the book is distributed. Better current prices can be found by referring to current auctions at Heritage, Teletrade, Lyn Knight, Stack & Bowers et al. That way you won't overpay for a note at your local store front or on line simply because it is called "rare" or "scarce". Just knowing that punch canceled Massachusetts notes are ten percent of the value of uncanceled notes is worth the \$15 price. If you want a reference book for Continental and Colonial currency, this is it.

My husband loves it!

The early paper money of America, just as the book's title, makes several contributions to our fund of knowledge. First, the people, places and activities of those who created the first American paper money is inextricably woven into the history of the United States. Second, the artistic and aesthetic aspects of this money are intrinsically wonderful and fascinating. The fact that much research remains to be done with respect to the technical aspects of production, as well as the design elements, both major and minute, creates a need for ongoing research. Third, this volume is indispensable to an appreciation of American numismatics and to anyone who collects or invests in American money of any kind. An argument can be made that our earliest paper money is even more fascinating than American coinage, since it predates coinage and is much less studied.

I used this book for a project to value various colonial currencies. Based on the information in the book, I was able to value each of my items and also to determine which bills were counterfeits. The photos and information are excellent. Would highly recommend. Though I won't be using it again soon. It is hard work figuring out what paper money is worth. The values for the various currencies might not be wholly accurate (though the descriptions are great). But this is the best book on the subject which I have found.

The first paper money to be issued in America was in Massachusetts in 1690, followed by New York in 1709. The great American experiment with paper money continued with most of the states issuing paper money until the late 1700's when, after confederation, the Continental Congress issued currency to finance the revolution. Everything you would ever want to know about this subject along with color plates of the notes is contained in this scholarly work. If you are a collector, would like to be one, or just enjoy history, this book is for you. Highly Recommended.

This is an extraordinary reference book on one of the most fascinating areas of currency collecting. I had no idea so much currency was printed in the 18th century, much of which has survived in museums and private collections through today. Great photos. Information about signers of the notes (most were hand-signed!). And detailed pricing information that is always useful for any collector. A truly fantastic reference book.

Excellent reference. I am primarily a coin collector but this book arms me with the information I need to bolster my collection with some Continental currency. Highly recommended for anyone interested in this area.

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