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Forgotten Books, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Excerpt from Historical Localities in Northampton: For the Celebration of the 250th Anniversary of the Settlement of the Town; June 5th, 6th and 7th, 1904 I. Northampton was first settled by white people in the spring of 1654, but its territory had been examined as a desirable place for a settlement several years before. It was then known only by the Indian name of Nonotuck. In May, 1653, (a year before the actual settlement,) twenty-four men petitioned the General Court for liberty to plant, possess and inhabit the place. All of these men were residents of Connecticut, most of them of Hartford, Windsor and Farmington. John Pynchon, Elizur Holyoke and Samuel Chapin of Springfield also petitioned to the same effect at the same time. The General Court appointed Pynchon, Holyoke and Chapin commissioners to lay out the bounds of the proposed settlement, which they did, fixing the line to run from the Hadley falls ten miles north on the west side of the Connecticut river and westward from the Connecticut nine miles into the woods. This included...


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