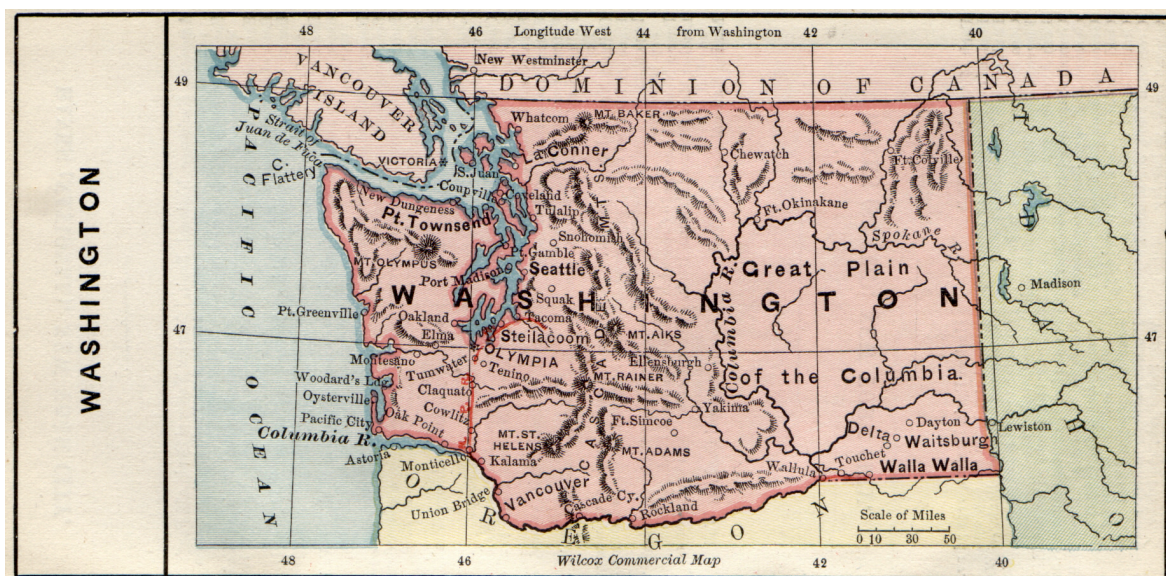


A rather unusual and scarce directory of 104 pages was published by O.A. Wilcox of Broadway, New York, 'through the Bradstreet Company's Improved Mercantile Agency.' It contains an atlas of the United States with, on the versos, numerous advertisements for leather goods and useful information relating to New York and Boston. The publication date is based on a handwritten annotation on the copy in the Library of Congress.

The fifty chromolithographic maps of the United States are about 75 x 155 mm., with their titles in a large panel at the head of the page and within their bottom borders is the imprint: 'Wilcox Commercial Map'. On good paper, they are very clear with attractive colours and show the railroads. Although they are not identical, it is obvious that they came from the same source as those in *Bradstreet's Pocket atlas* (see 1878):





*United States; (New York City); Alabama; Arizona; Arkansas; California; Colorado; Connecticut; Dakota; Delaware; District of Columbia; Florida; Georgia; Idaho; Illinois; Indiana; Indian Territory; Iowa; Kansas; Kentucky; Louisiana; Maine; Maryland; Massachusetts; Michigan; Minnesota; Mississippi; Missouri; Montana; Nebraska; Nevada; New Hampshire; New Jersey; New Mexico; New York; North Carolina; Ohio; Oregon; Pennsylvania; Rhode Island; South Carolina; Tennessee; Texas; Utah; Vermont; Virginia; Washington; West Virginia; Wisconsin; Wyoming.*

*Commercial maps of the United States and index to first hands in boots, shoes, leather, and kindred branches.* New York, O.A. Wilcox, (1879).

*The Wilcox wholesale business directory of New York City.* New York, O.A. Wilcox, 1880.

