



NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our annual membership meeting will be held at LISDA on Sunday Nov. 13, 1983 at 2:00 p.m. LISDA will be held at the Holiday Inn in Hempstead (same place as last year) from Friday, Nov. 11th (Veteran's Day) to Sunday, Nov. 13th. Carl Baker will give a talk and slide show on Illustrated Advertising Covers of Long Island to kick-off the meeting. There will be an exhibit of Long Island covers at the show, and the Society will man a booth for the entire three days. Please bring your Long Island covers to show, swap, or sell. I urge you all to come to what promises to be an exciting annual meeting.

The time has come for an election of new officers and directors. The nominating committee will recommend a slate at the meeting. Additional nominations will be accepted from the floor. The election will be by mail ballot to be sent to all members.

How did you like the mail auction this summer? I thought Brad Arch did a terrific job for the second year in a row. There were loads of L.I. covers of which 102 lots sold. I thought the illustrations were excellent this year. Prices realized are listed elsewhere in this Newsletter. A final report on the outcome of the auction will be reported in the annual Treasurer's Report to be presented at the annual meeting.

SEE YOU AT LISDA!!!!

John Price

SECRETARY'S REPORT

We are pleased to welcome the following new members of our Society:

Martin Margulis
1368 Metropolitan Ave.
Bronx, N.Y. 10462

Robert Stonehill
35-55 73rd St.
Jackson Heights, N.Y. 11372

Change of address:

Daniel M. Knowles, M.D. To: 97-10 71st Ave.
Forest Hills, N.Y.
11375

Kenneth A. Pitt To: P.O. Box M-509
Landing, N.J. 07850

Very few members have not renewed their membership as yet. If the mailing label on your newsletter has an asterik (*) next to your name, it means that you have not renewed your membership. Please do so now. See you at LISDA '83 in ~~October~~ ^{Nov.}

Art Fitzpatrick



EDITOR'S NOTES

Well, yet another Newsletter, and one of many yet to come as our society continues to grow. Nevertheless, I think that your LIPHS Newsletter can get more interesting if more of you participate. I ask each member to take out ten or twenty minutes and write a short one pager about an interesting cover in their collection. It will give some variety to the contents in the Newsletter, and will add new knowledge to the already growing body of knowledge about the postal history of Long Island. Collecting is SHARING! Please contribute. Material doesn't have to be typed, and a photocopy of the cover is sufficient. Mail your one-pager today to the address below.

I wish to thank Linda Wierenga for the covers from her collection, some of which are illustrated in this issue. Thanks also to Carl Baker for his continued support.

J. Fred Rodriguez

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POSTED BY BAKER

During an interesting conversation with Catherine Gifford at the July meeting of the Great South Bay Post Card Club in East Islip, Catherine wondered whether she happened to be the only woman in our Postal History Society. I was able to assure her that there are five others - three more on the Island, one upstate and one in Michigan. The incident does bring up another question - how many of you are aware that postmistresses were not uncommon on the Island? In a quick scan of the Suffolk County section of Kay & Smith's "New York Postal History" I noted that no women were among the first appointees until the 20th century. Subsequent holders were often women and a few obtained their appointment with a change in a post office name, and might be considered the first postmaster?

Catherine also had expressed an interest in knowing what premium to add to the value of a postcard with a DPO cancellation. Although our Society has published county listings of Long Island DPO's, no attempt has been made to rate them according to scarcity. Unquestionably, some DPO's are much rarer than others and pricing should reflect that fact. Could be a worthwhile project for someone in our Society to aid both the dealer and the collector.

Heard from Beulah Terry that she had undergone eye surgery on August 11th and was doing real well. So well, in fact, that she will go back to the hospital to repeat the operation on her other eye this October. Beulah plans on a trip to Florida in December for a month or so, and we are glad to hear that she is doing so well.

All but six members have paid their dues at this time. Hope that a few of you who have overlooked our dues reminder will respond to this informal notice. We had one resignation, that of Dr Edward Greenwald, who felt that his main interest in the Civil War was out of character with Long Island Postal History. Thought you ought to know that along with his dues Art Pollinger sent an additional \$25.00 to help defray the cost of sending out our last Newsletter. Promptness and generosity - certainly a treasurer's delight!

A pet peeve of mine concern those, who in Art Pollinger's words "always throw stones". A number of philatelic writers frequently attack the Postal Service with their complaint of better service during those days of cheap postage. Never do they mention that along with cheaper postage, everything else was cheaper too, including the very LOW wages of that time. One writer repeated his usual tirade in the very issue that another recalled being able to buy juice, coffee and a donut for the huge sum of 15¢!

And while I must confess that the Postal Service is not without its problems, the earlier Post Office with its much lower mail volume was not as perfect as the "stone throwers" would have us believe. For some time I have collected New York State covers and postcards that somehow managed to get missent during "the good old days". And since those "missenters" are really not that uncommon, I have recently restricted my collection to only those covers and cards marked "missent to --(town)". The collection has grown large enough to give personal satisfaction to this old retired postal clerk and incidentally enables him to throw a fairly hefty stone, himself!

ONLY SIX TO GO - NO TIME LIKE THE PRESENT TO PAY YOUR DUES!

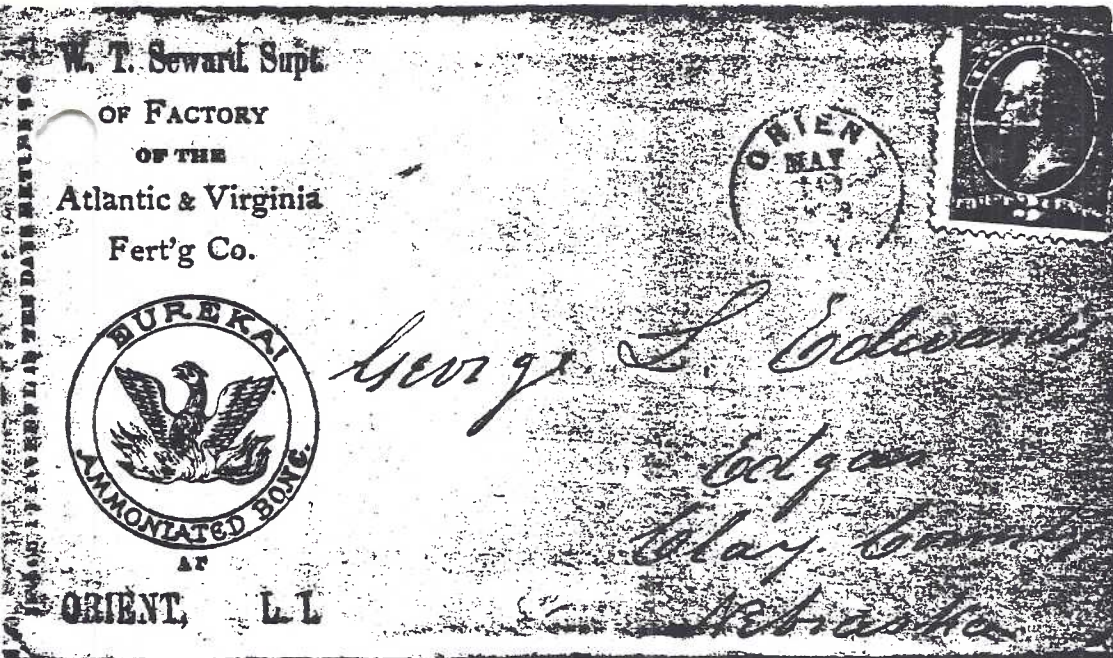
PRICES REALIZED - LIPHS Auction - 1 August 1983

1.	0	27.	11.50	53.	6.00	79.	4.00	105.	8.00
2.	26.00	28.	0	54.	6.00	80.	0	106.	25.00
3.	15.50	29.	4.50	55.	2.50	81.	0	107.	5.00
4.	5.50	30.	0	56.	.50	82.	15.00	108.	12.00
5.	7.50	31.	19.50	57.	56.00	83.	12.00	109.	0
6.	1.00	32.	9.00	58.	7.00	84.	10.00	110.	5.50
7.	6.50	33.	21.00	59.	19.00	85.	0	111.	7.00
8.	4.00	34.	22.00	60.	22.00	86.	1.00	112.	11.50
9.	6.50	35.	10.00	61.	0	87.	6.00	113.	10.50
10.	10.00	36.	2.00	62.	12.00	88.	0	114.	13.00
11.	2.00	37.	7.00	63.	1.50	89.	17.50	115.	3.00
12.	8.50	38.	6.50	64.	5.00	90.	0	116.	6.00
13.	6.50	39.	7.00	65.	8.00	91.	0	117.	10.00
14.	29.00	40.	2.00	66.	7.50	92.	0	118.	0
15.	0	41.	11.00	67.	8.00	93.	6.00	119.	0
16.	13.00	42.	0	68.	0	94.	0	120.	0
17.	10.00	43.	6.50	69.	6.50	95.	0	121.	0
18.	5.00	44.	0	70.	12.50	96.	0	122.	5.00
19.	2.00	45.	16.50	71.	9.00	97.	7.50	123.	14.00
20.	12.00	46.	0	72.	3.50	98.	4.00	124.	5.00
21.	10.50	47.	7.00	73.	0	99.	9.00	125.	2.00
22.	8.00	48.	1.25	74.	4.00	100.	3.50	126.	6.00
23.	10.00	49.	32.00	75.	4.00	101.	1.75	127.	5.00
24.	15.00	50.	9.00	76.	12.00	102.	7.50	128.	3.00
25.	12.50	51.	11.00	77.	W/D	103.	9.00	Total Sales:	
26.	3.00	52.	5.25	78.	1.25	104.	2.00	\$ 937.00	

The most popular lot was #32 with 7 active bidders.
Lot #77 was withdrawn because it is not Long Island.

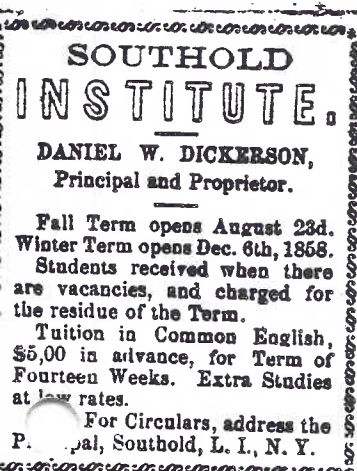
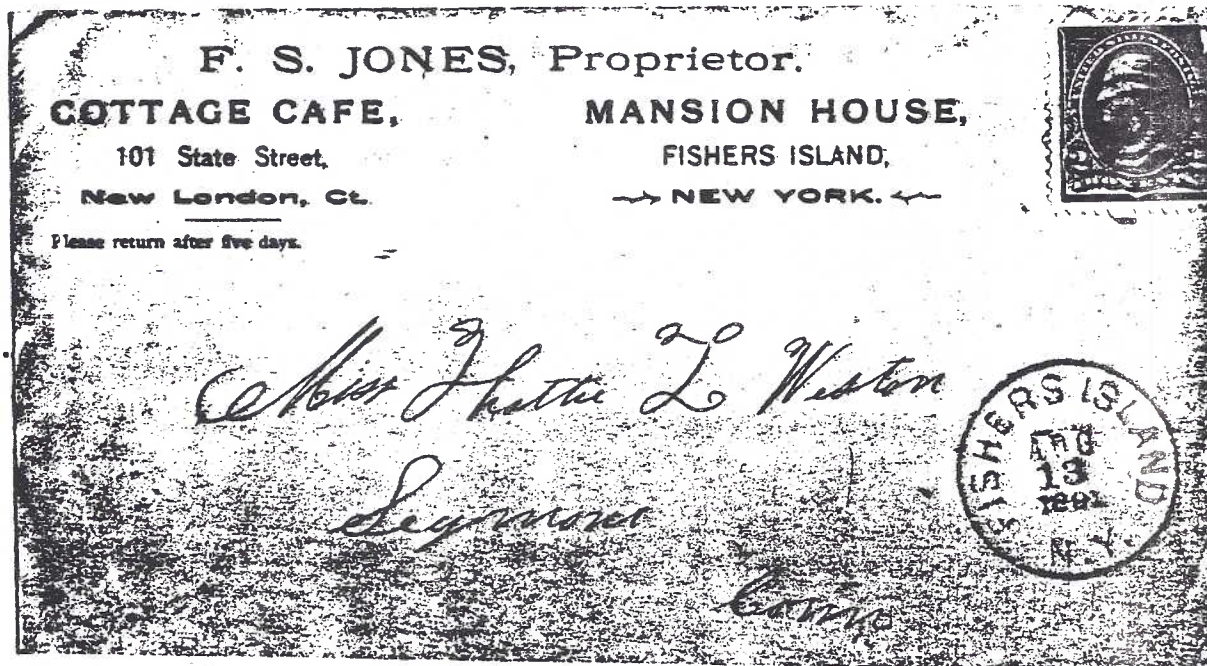
Brad Arch
Auction Manager



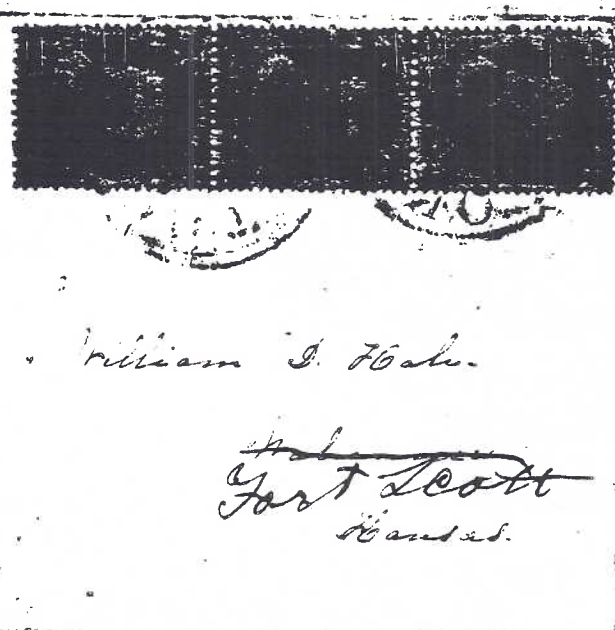


Three-cent Banknote
Circa 1878 on cover
from Orient N.Y.

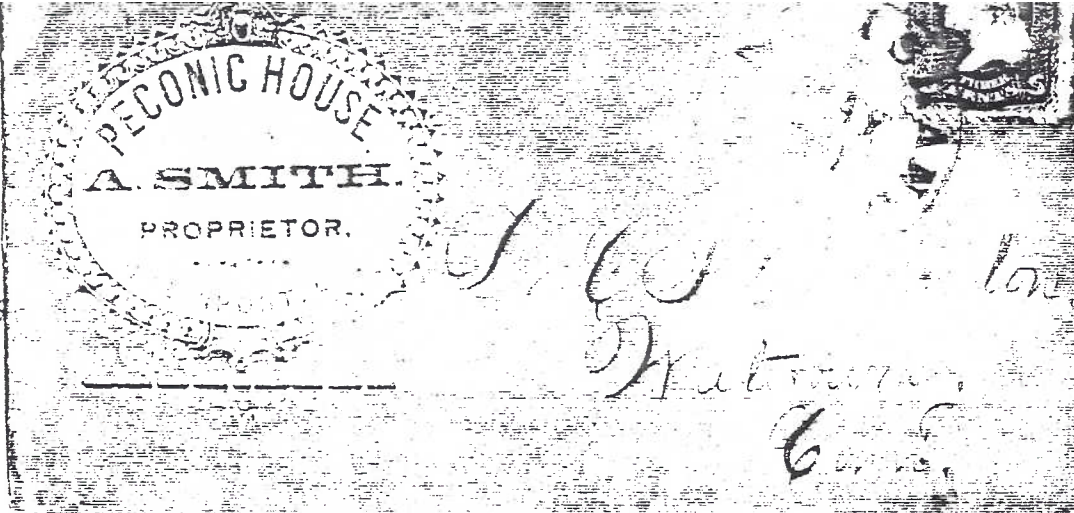
Fisher's Is.
1891. Nice adv.
cover of the
Mansion House
which housed the
P.O. at one time.



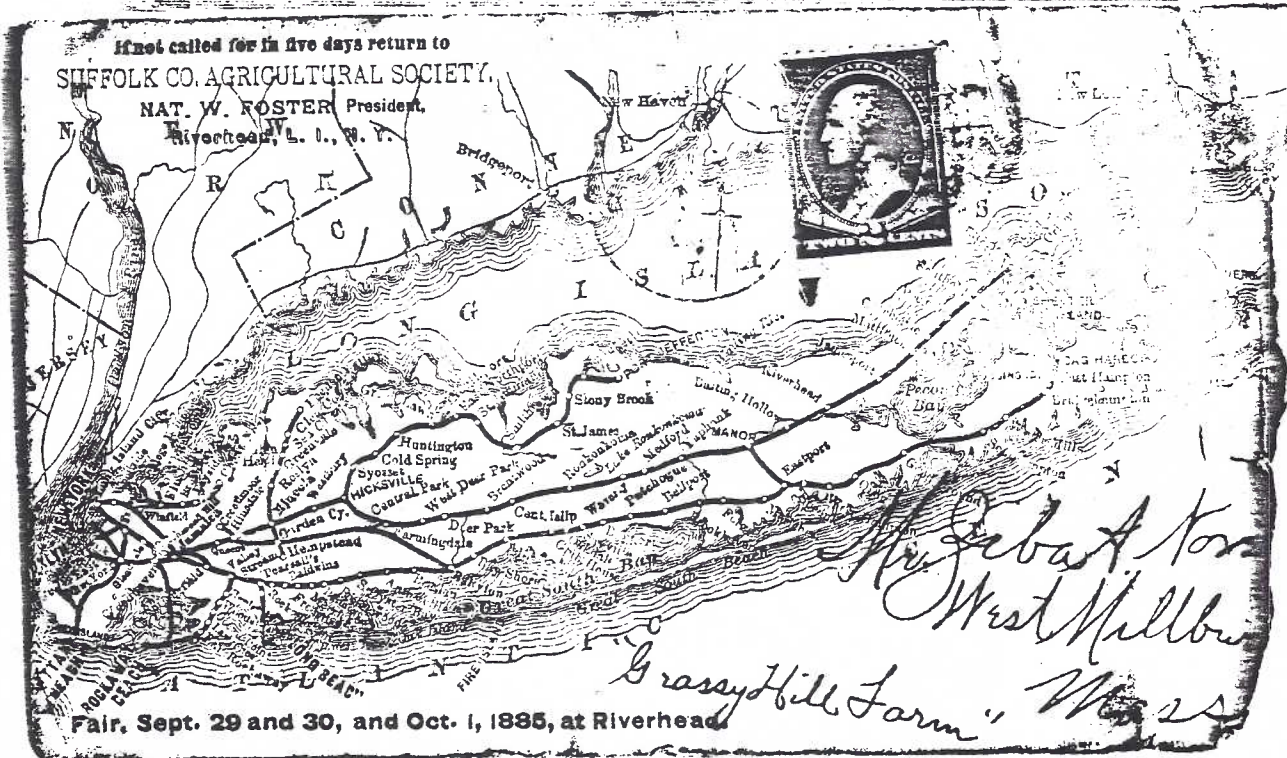
Strip of three of the
1-cent blue No. 24 on
cover from the Southold
Institute. Ca. 1858.



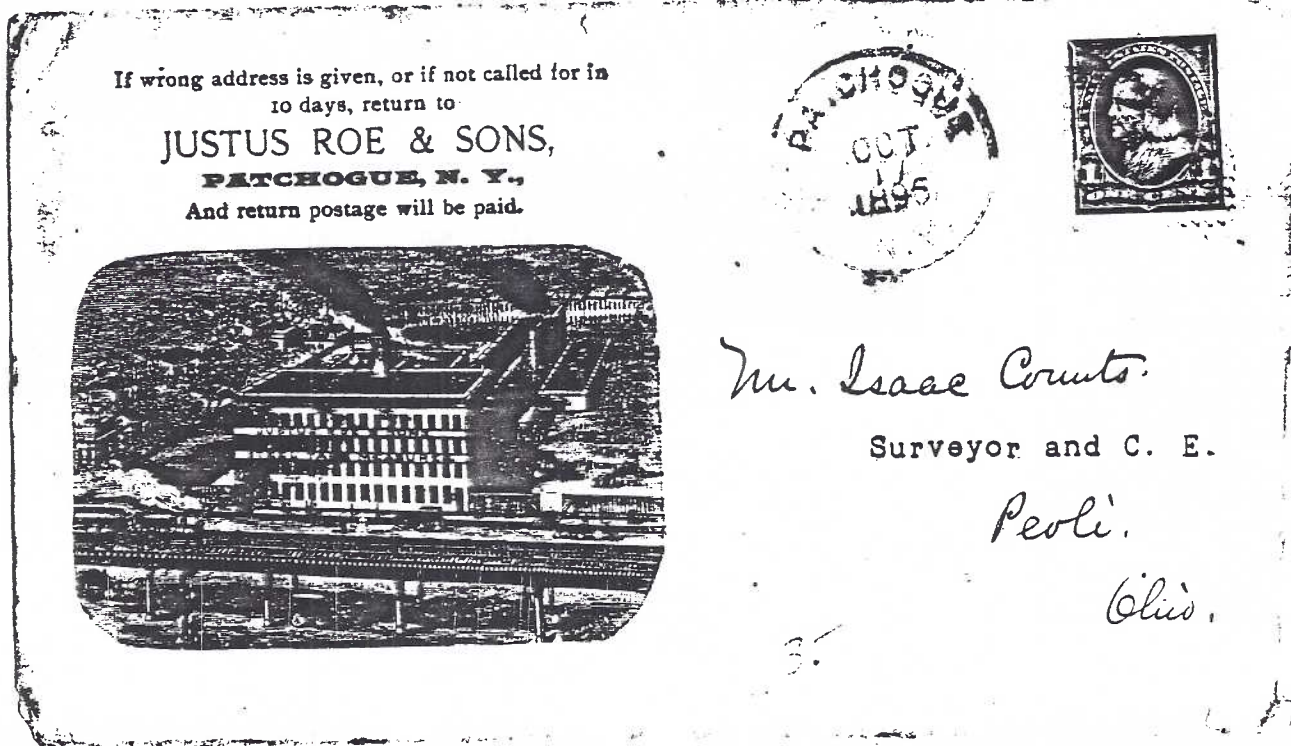
Peconic House
A. Smith, Prop.
Greenport, L.I.
No. 65 tied
by Long Island
RR Balloon
cancel. Ca. 1866



Illus.
front &
back 1885.
Riverhead



Patchogue
1895

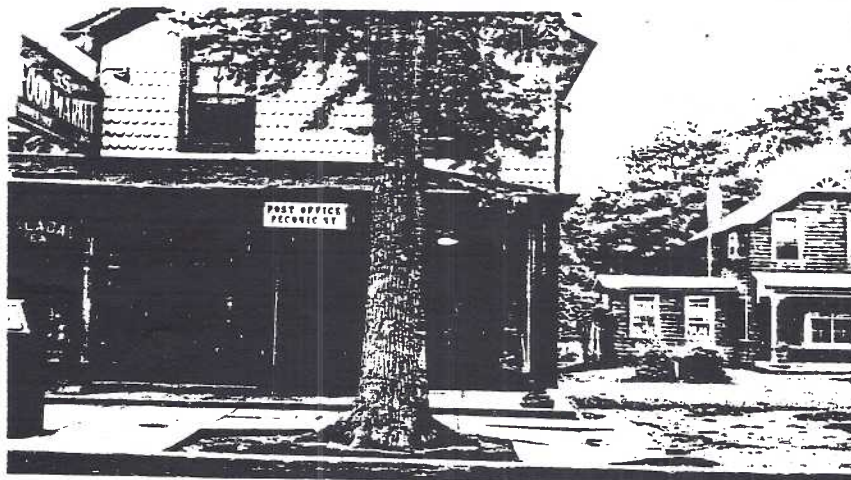


WEST SOUTHOLD - this is one of the old names that the village of Peconic was known as during the 19th Century. The name of its first post office was Hermitage Depot, in use for less than a year (May 14, 1847 through January 28, 1848). It changed names to East Cutchogue on January 28, 1848, however that name didn't last long either, as in June 7, 1851 it was changed to West Southold. This third name lasted until January 13, 1859 at which time it was permanently changed to Peconic. The cover shown below has a manuscript town name "West Southold NY June 23" and the 3 cent dull red postage stamp is tied by pen swirls. The contents are dated 1857.



Circa 1940

PECONIC, L.I., N.Y.



WANTED - Cover- Port Washington & New York RPO
William J. Duncan, 26 Moody Ave., Freeport, N. Y. 11520

WANTED - The U.S. 1869 Pictorial issue used on cover with local Town
cancels from anywhere in the country, especially from New
Jersey and Arizona. Correspondence invited.
Brad Arch, 144 Hamilton Ave., Clifton N. J. 07011

WANTED - Postal History covers from Woodbury and Syosset. Also wish
to purchase or trade L. I. pictorial corner cards on covers
thru early 1900s.
Carl F Baker, 140 Lewis Road, Northport, N. Y. 11768

WANTED - L. I. postal history items from all four counties. I will buy
or trade for interesting covers. Especially want Suffolk and
Queens counties CPMs, L. I. Civil War patriotics, Postmasters'
free franks, registered and special delivery covers and all
covers from the P.O.s within Huntington Township. Also want
old L. I. postcards, 1900 - 1920. Send on approval or Xerox.
J. Fred Rodriguez, Box 49, Greenlawn, N. Y. 11740

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