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## *New Jersey Civil War Covers at NOJEX!*



*One of many Civil War covers from New Jersey being shown at NOJEX in the Court of Honor, this one from Bloomsbury, NJ to West Liberty, Ohio. For more information see [page 62](#), and visit our [Featured Cover page](#) at [www.NJPostalHistory.org](http://www.NJPostalHistory.org).*

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**PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE**

This issue of our Society’s Journal contains several articles that touch upon New Jersey’s early postal history. Jean and Ed Siskin have contributed the first part of a series providing a census of early covers from the State. Mike Yannotta has contributed to the long-running Southard collection, and Don Chafetz has provided the third installment of his Morris County exhibit, Robert Livingstone details an 1840 “travelogue” across the State, all gleaned from a single stampless letter, and I have attempted unsuccessfully to unravel the mystery of the State of origin of what is believed to be the only reported example of the Fair View straight line postmark.

The Society will hold its annual meeting at NOJEX 2011 on Sunday, May 29 at noon. We will have a table near the entrance to the Show so stop by, say hello and buy some literature. The Show honors the Sesquicentennial of the Civil War and in furtherance of that theme, and as previewed in this issue of *NJPH*, Richard Micchelli will talk about his extensive collection of Civil War patriotic covers postmarked from a wide variety of New Jersey towns. Many of these covers will be featured in a six-frame Court of Honor exhibit in the Show. Be sure to take a look at it. I have enclosed a free pass to the Show. Complete show information can be found at [www.nojex.org](http://www.nojex.org)

The Multi-State Postal History Competition was held this year at ROPEX in Rochester, New York on May 13-15. The New Jersey Postal History Society entries fared very well. Don Chafetz’s “Development of Morris County, New Jersey Mail Service,” won a gold, Nathan Zankel’s “New Brunswick, NJ: A Brief Study of its Postal History,” won a vermeil, and my exhibit, “New Jersey Stampless Covers: Handstamp Marcophily, 1775-1855,” won a gold and the Reserve Grand Award. We have entered Volume 38 of *NJPH* in the NAPEX literature competition that is to be held in Washington on June 3-5, 2011.

I hope to see many of you at NOJEX. Have a great summer!

**ROBERT G. ROSE**

**Come to the  
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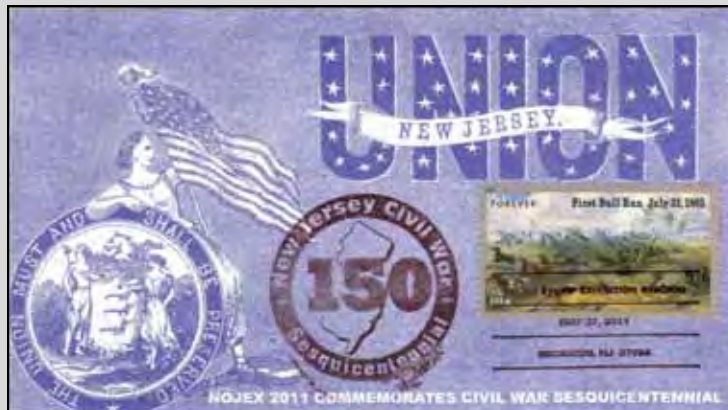


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## CIVIL WAR PATRIOTIC COVERS USAGES FROM NEW JERSEY

by Richard Micchelli & Robert G. Rose

Celebration of the Sesquicentennial of the Civil War is the theme of NOJEX 2011 that will be held at the Crown Plaza Meadowlands Hotel in Secaucus, New Jersey on May 27-29, 2011. The Court of Honor at the Show will feature six frames of Civil War patriotic covers postmarked from a wide variety of New Jersey towns. Several are shown on the pages that follow. This Court of Honor exhibit is part of an extensive collection owned by Richard Micchelli. In 1992, his collection was featured in *NJPH* as the Society's 100<sup>th</sup> issue of its journal.

Richard will be the Society's featured speaker at its annual meeting at NOJEX on Sunday, May 29 at noon at which he will discuss the use of Civil War patriotic covers in New Jersey. Please be sure to attend what will be a most interesting presentation.



*Fig. 1: Recruiting poster for New Jersey Company A.*

## Copper Hill



Fig. 2: A patriotic lettersheet dated August 14, 1863, at Copper Hill. This lettersheet was enclosed in the envelope below.



Fig. 3: Cover with a faint Copper Hill manuscript cancel dated Aug. 15, 1863, to Rahway, NJ.

This 1863 writer enclosed a patriotic lettersheet in this envelope.

Beverly



Fig. 4: Patriotic lettersheet dated Sep. 3 from Beverly, NJ to Tuckerton, NJ.

Beverly



Fig. 5: Cover dated Oct. 9? from Beverly, NJ to Lumberton, Burlington County, NJ.

## Bloomsbury



Fig. 6: Cover dated Mar. 10 from Bloomsbury, NJ to West Liberty, Ohio.

## Bridgeton



Fig. 7: Cover dated Nov. 16, 1864 from Bridgeton, NJ to Alfred Center, New York.

Come see these and many more New Jersey Civil War covers at NOJEX! Our Annual meeting will be on Sunday May 29th at noon – come join us for an interesting talk, and spend some time with your fellow members. Information on NOJEX is on page 61. We look forward to seeing you there!

## CLOVER HILL, NJ FANCY CANCEL

By Jim Walker

This Registered cover from Clover Hill is canceled on the last day of operation of this fourth class post office located in Raritan Township, Hunterdon County. As the first year of the great depression came to an end a new round of post office closings resulted in the lost of many offices nationwide.



Fig. 1A & B: Clover Hill NJ Last Day registered cover, Oct. 15, 1930, with clover leaf fancy cancel.



Postal regulations for registered letters state they should have sending and receiving addresses, and the stamps canceled with a device other than the date stamp. The date stamp will be applied to the flap after the letter is sealed and the ink should be in red (this example does not).

This gave rise to collectors making site specific killers for many registered covers. This cover has each of its four stamps canceled with a three leaf clover in green ink on the last day of service October 15, 1930. Floyd D. Shockley who produced this cover was a very active collector who made many of these fancy canceled covers.



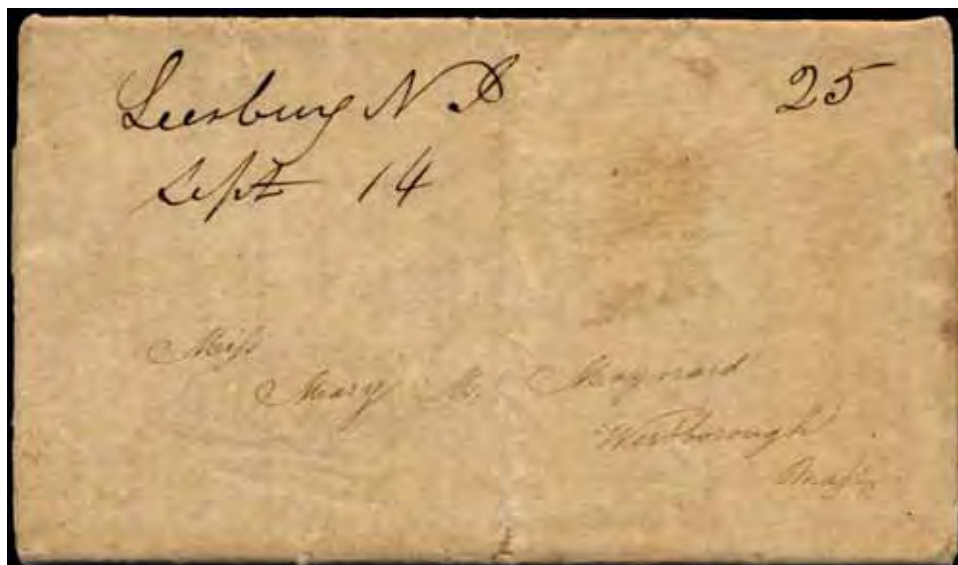
## A NEW (OLD) POSTMARK AND TRAVELOGUE

By Robert Livingstone

One of the great things about the hobby of postal history is the way the word ‘history’ allows us to include interesting facts from the past in our research. These facts not only serve to enhance our knowledge of the workings of the mail system but also our knowledge of the people and times of long ago. A letter from a century or more in the past can open our eyes to a world that no longer exists but which, at the time, was very real to the writer and intended recipient.

Some letters contain little in the way of facts about the past and so do not add much to our knowledge. Others though, were written to convey the details of places and events that were important at the time to the correspondents. These then become testimonials to the past. The little strands of information contained in a single letter can add to the tapestry of life woven in our imaginations by the clever letter writer. As we read of the events most concerning the letter writer, we are transported to the time and places described.

Such is the case with the letter pictured here.



*Fig. 1: Leesburg, N.J. manuscript postmarked Sept 14, 1840, from Mr. Delana Patrick to Miss Mary Maynard, describing his travels.*

This folded letter was written by Delana Patrick to his future bride, Miss Mary M. Maynard of Westborough, Massachusetts. The letter was written more than 175 years ago and tells the story of Mr. Patrick’s trip from Massachusetts to Cape May, New Jersey where he hoped to obtain a teaching position.

The letter is dated inside, “Sept the 12<sup>th</sup>, 1840” which can be verified by the fact that the Westborough vital records show that Mary M. Maynard and Delana Patrick announced their intentions to marry on January 27, 1841, a few months after the receipt of this letter.

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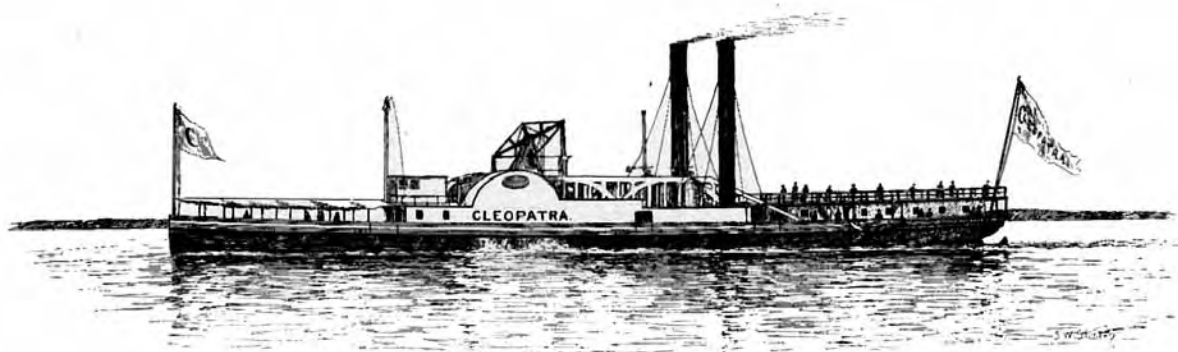
According to Coles<sup>1</sup>, the post office at Leesburgh, Cumberland County, was established on December 4, 1838. The name of the town was changed to Dorchester on December 31, 1850 and changed back to Leesburg (without the 'h') on December 1, 1894. This left a period of only twelve years when stampless covers were postmarked at Leesburg. Coles does not list any known manuscript covers from Leesburg.

Likewise, the American Stampless Cover Catalog<sup>2</sup> does not list any postmark from Leesburg(h) but the Coles update<sup>3</sup> by Don Chafetz does list a Leesburg, Cumberland County circular date stamp [CDS] dated November 28, 1840. So it wasn't long after this letter was written that the CDS shown in the update was put into use, making the scarcity of the manuscript cover even more pronounced. Interestingly, it would seem that even back in 1840, Leesburg was more commonly spelled without the 'h' at the end as shown by both the manuscript cancel and the CDS cancel.

The letter traveled about 350 miles making the fee for the postal service 18¾ cents plus six cents for the extra page contained in the letter. As can be seen, Mr. Patrick made good use of the extra page.

A look at the cover of the letter shows an uncluttered, easily read (though quite faded) name and address along with the very clear Leesburg, NJ postmark. What a surprise to open the letter and see the incredibly small and tightly spaced lines of script. A closer look shows that the letter writer had more to say after filling the two pages so he went back and wrote between the lines that he had already written. In this way, he was able to get more than two thousand words on two pages of paper and still leave room for the name and address.

One may suppose that the incredibly dense prose would be a challenge to read and perhaps it was for poor Mary Maynard but with today's technology it is a simple thing to scan the letter into a format that is much easier to read. Luckily, the writer was an educated schoolteacher who had very good penmanship and so was able keep his writing straight, level and legible.



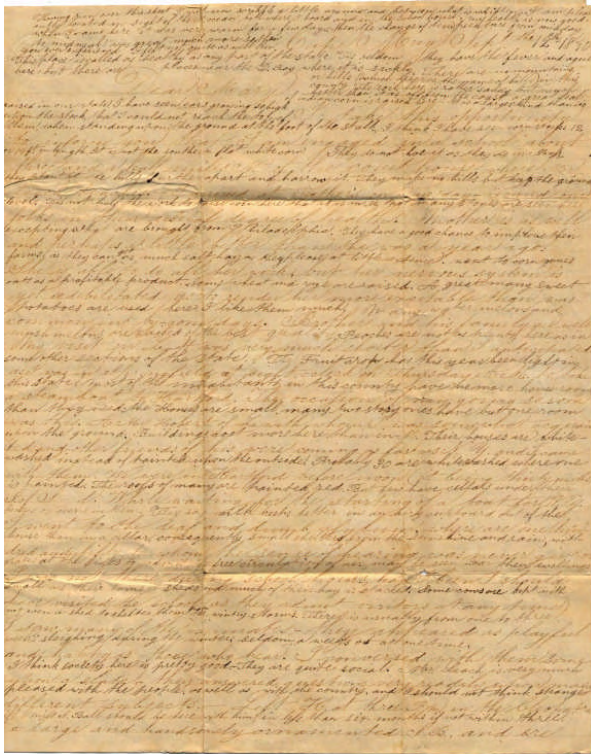
LONG ISLAND SOUND STEAMBOAT CLEOPATRA, 1836.

*Fig. 2: The Steamboat Cleopatra built in 1836 for Com. Vanderbilt, sailed between Hartford and New York until 1846.*<sup>4</sup>

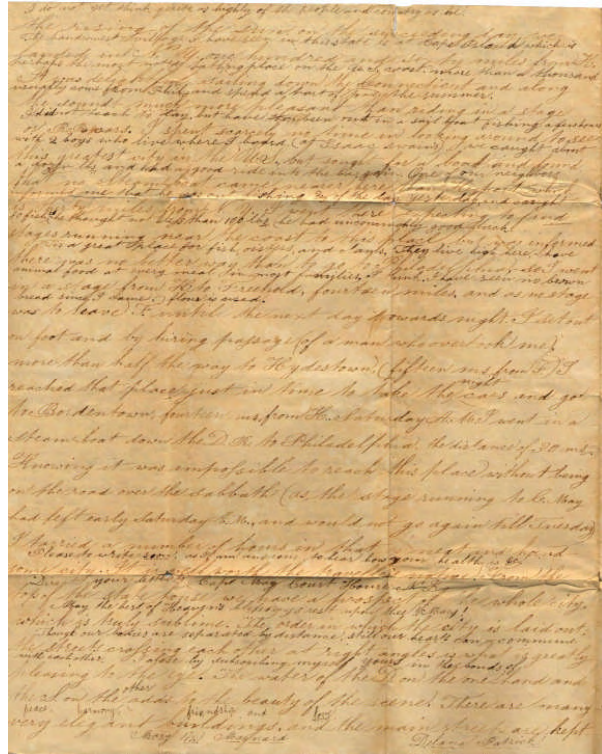
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Here are scans of the pages of this letter.

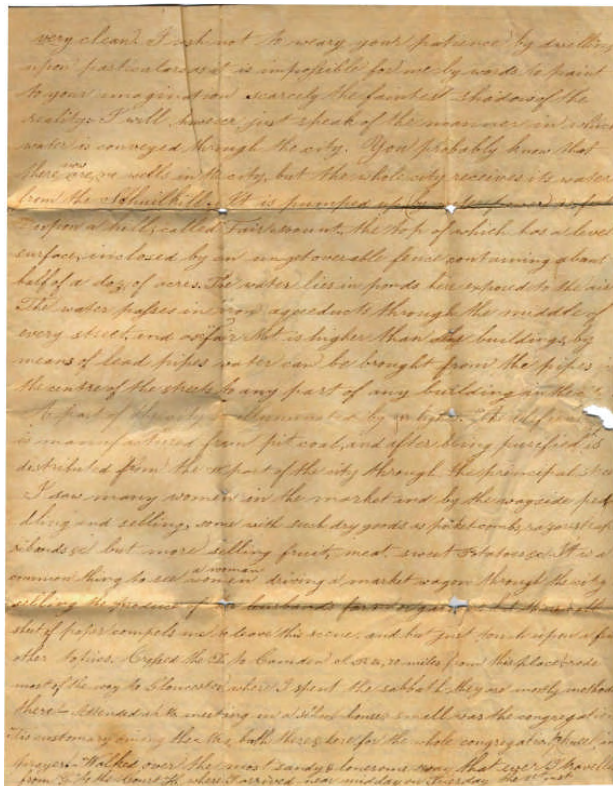
[If you are viewing these on your computer, enlarge these, and you will see that even tho written in a clear hand, Bob has done a miraculous job of untangling the script. Ed.]



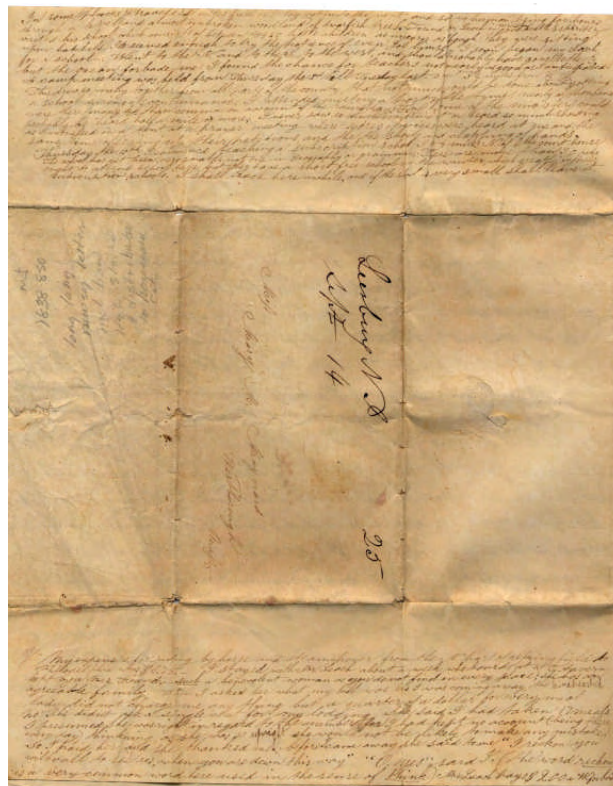
The first page of the letter contains several paragraphs of dense, cursive handwriting. The ink is dark and the paper shows some signs of age and wear.



The second page continues the handwritten text. The script is consistent with the first page, and the paper's texture and color are visible.



The third page of the letter features more handwritten text. The handwriting is clear and legible, filling most of the page.



The fourth page of the letter shows the final part of the handwritten text. There are some handwritten notes and a date 'July 14' visible on the right side of the page.

## THE LETTER

*[We have introduced paragraph breaks and occasionally added modern punctuation to make this letter a little easier to read. We have retained original spelling. Ed.]*

Here is a transcript of the letter.

Cape May Sept the 12<sup>th</sup> 1840

Dear Mary,

I take this opportunity to inform you that I am engaged in a school about three and a half miles N. of the court house where Mr. Leach teaches. I arrived at Father's on Tuesday – folks in their usual degree of health. Mother is as well and perhaps a little better than she was a year ago. She is able to do all her work but her nervous system is yet so debilitated as to render her more excitable than was common in by-gone days. Brother and his family are well. My visit in Leverett was very much shorter than I anticipated as I was in Springfield at eight o'clock on Thursday A.M. to take a steamboat to Hartford.

The occasion of my going so soon was this. A.M. Hobert of L. with whom I was somewhat acquainted and other friends of his were coming as far as N. Y. and I came with them. We were in Hartford before noon (it being thirty miles) S. of S\_d. [Springfield]. While waiting for the starting of a boat for N.Y., I went to the deaf and dumb asylum, where are one hundred and fifty to whom the sense of hearing was never given. I was not there during school hours, had I been I should have visited the school as they admit visitors. I saw many of the inmates – they appeared as playful and happy as those who hear. I conversed with them some upon a slate – they answered questions very readily upon many different subjects.

Left H. at three P.M. in the Cleopatra, a large and handsomely ornamented S.B., [steamboat] and ere the rising of the sun on the succeeding day we landed in N.Y. one hundred and sixty miles from H.[Hartford]. It was delightful sailing down the Connecticut and along the Sound – much more pleasant than riding in a stage or R.R. cars.

I spent scarcely no time in looking around to see this greatest city in the U.S., but sought for a boat and found that no Steam boat came nearer here than Keyport [New Jersey] which is thirty miles from N.Y. I went there expecting to find stages running near the coast to this place but was informed there was no better way than to go to Philadelphia, - so I went in a stage from K. to Freehold, fourteen miles, and as no stage was to leave F. until the next day towards night, I set out on foot and by hiring passage (of a man who overtook me) more than half the way to Hydestown [now Hightstown], (fifteen ms from F.) I reached that place just in time to take the night cars<sup>5</sup> and go to Bordentown, fourteen ms. from H. Saturday A.M. I went in a Steam-boat down the D.R. [Delaware River] to Philadelphia, the distance of 30 ms.

Knowing it was impossible to reach this place without being on the road over the sabbath (as, the stage running to C.[Cape] May had left early Saturday A.M., and would not go again till Tuesday), I tarried a number of hours in that neat and handsome city [Philadelphia]. It is well worth the traveler's notice. From the top of the state house we have a prospect of the whole city, which is truly sublime. The order in which the city is laid out, the streets crossing each other at right angles is what is greatly pleasing to the eye. The water of the D. [Delaware] on the one hand and the S. [Schuylkill] on the other adds to the beauty of the scene. There are many very elegant buildings, and the main streets are kept very clean.



Fig. 3: 1835 map of New Jersey, showing route through New Jersey that Dalena Patrick took to Cape May Court House. Map from Rutgers Cartography<sup>6</sup>

I wish not to weary your patience by dwelling upon particulars, as it is impossible for me by words to paint to your imagination scarcely the faintest shadow of the reality. I will, however, just speak of the manner in which water is conveyed through the city. You probably know that there now are no wells in the city, but the whole city receives its water from the Schuylkill. It is pumped up (by water power) 95 feet upon a hill, called Fair Mount, the top of which has a level surface enclosed by an ungetoverable fence, containing about half of a doz. of acres. The water lies in ponds here exposed to the air. The water passes in iron aqueducts through the middle of every street, and as fair Mt (Fair Mount) is higher than the buildings, by means of lead pipes, water can be brought from the pipes (in) the centre of the streets to any part of any building in the city.



*Fig. 4: Fairmount Waterworks in Philadelphia, 1835, by W. H. Bartlett, published by J.C. Armytage .<sup>7</sup>*

A part of the city is illuminated by gas lights. The olefin is manufactured from pit coal, and after being purified, is distributed from the W. part of the city through the principal streets. I saw many women in the market and by the wayside peddling and selling, some with such dry goods as pocket combs, razor straps, ribands [ribbons], etc. but more selling fruit, meat, sweet potatoes etc. It is a common thing to see a woman driving a market wagon through the city selling the produce of her husband's farm or garden but this small sheet of paper compels me to leave this scene and but just touch upon a few other topics. Crossed the D. to Camden S.[Saturday] P.M., 70 miles from this place, rode most of the way to Gloucester where I spent the Sabbath. they are mostly Methodists there – Attended a M. meeting in a school-house, - small was the congregation. 'Tis customary among the M's both there and here for the whole congregation to kneel, in prayer. Walked over the most sandy and lonesome r'dy [roadway?] that ever I traveled from G. to the Court H. where I arrived near midday on Tuesday the 1st inst.



*Fig. 5: On the road to Cape May Court House, Mr. Patrick walked the last 50 miles across Gloucester County.<sup>8</sup>*

In some places I traveled miles from one log cabin to the next and saw no human being for hours through a level and almost unbroken woodland of dwarfish trees. Found Mr. Leach in middling good health & spirits; visited his school which consists of between 40 & 50 little children as uneasy as though they were sitting upon hatchets. It seemed enough to try the patience of even Job himself. I soon began my search for a school: Went to the N. and to the S. to the west, and should probably have gone to the E. but the ocean forbade me. I found the chance for teachers not nearly as good as I anticipated.

A camp meeting was held from Thursday the 3rd 'till Tuesday last about 3 ½ miles from C.H. [Cape May Court House]. This drew so many together from all parts of the county that not much could be done about getting a school during its continuance. I attended meeting a part of the time, nearly a thousand were there, many less than common on account of the rainy days F.&S.[Fri. & Sat.]. Some of the ministers could probably be heard a half a mile or more, I never saw so much excitement or heard so much shouting as I witnessed in a tent at a prayer meeting where scores of voices were heard at one and the same time offering up their petitions and the shouts and clapping of hands. Thursday, the 10th I commenced teaching a subscription school 3 or 4 miles N. of the court house. The school has yet been very small not one in Geography or grammar. There are more than 30 who ought to attend school here but they have a short free school in the winter which greatly injures subscription schools. I shall teach here awhile, and if the school is very small shall leave it.

My expenses for riding by horse and steam-power from the N. part of Springfield to Philadelphia was \$6.75 – I stayed with Mr. Leach about a week who boards at T. tavern kept by a Mrs. Hand – such a benevolent woman as you do not find in every place, she has an agreeable family. When I asked her what my bill was as I was coming away, the kindhearted lady did not charge me any thing but a quarter of a dollar for every meal. No! She didn't ask a single cent for my lodging. She said I had taken 17 meals. I presumed she was right in regard to the number for I had kept no account (being there every day) thinking, as she was so upright she would not be likely to make any mistake. So I paid her and she thanked me. Before I came away she said to me "I reckon you will call to see us when you are down this way" "O. yes" said I. (The word reckon is a very common word here used in the sense of think.) Mr. Leach pays \$2.00 a W.[week] for board.

I do not yet think quite as highly of the people and country as he! The handsomest village I have seen in the state is at Cape Island which is perhaps the most noted bathing place on the U.S. coast. More than a thousand usually come from Phil. and spend a part of the summer. I did not teach today but have been out in a sail boat fishing a few hours with two boys who live where I board (at Isaac Swain's). We caught about a dozen pounds and had a good ride into the bargain. One of our neighbors informed me that he was out fishing 2/3 of the day yesterday and caught 80 fishes, he thought not less than 100 lbs (he had uncommonly good luck.) 'Tis a great place for fish, oysters, and clams. They live high here, have animal food at every meal in most families, I think. I have seen no brown bread since I came, flour is used.<sup>9</sup>

Having run over this sheet I will now scribble a little around and between what is written. I am pleasantly located in sight of the A. ocean, both where I board and in the school house. My health is now good. When I came here it was very warm for a few days, then the change of temperature from midday to midnight was great, much more so than you ever experienced. I felt not quite as well then. This place is called as healthy as any part of the state. 'Tis seldom they have the fever and ague here but there are places near the D.[Delaware] Bay where it is sickly. There are no mountains or hills (which deserve the name of hills) in this County. The soil here is rather sandy but much better than it is off from the coast. A great deal of indian corn is raised here. It is a larger kind than is raised in our state! I have seen ears growing so high upon the stalk, that I could not reach the top of them when standing upon the ground at the foot of the stalk. I think I have seen corn stalks 12 or 14 ft. in length. It is not the southern flat white corn. They do not hoe it as they do in Mass. They plant it the (?) hills further apart and harrow it.

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They make no hills but keep the ground level. 'Tis not half the work to raise corn here that it is in M. not many stones are seen here excepting what are brought from Philadelphia. They have a good chance to improve their farms as they can get as much salt hay as they please at little expense. Next to corn comes oats as a profitable product. Some wheat and rye are raised. A great many sweet potatoes are used here. I like them much. Many water melons and muskmelons are raised of the best quality. Peaches are not as plenty here as in some other sections of the state. The Fruit crop has this year been light in this state.

Most of the inhabitants in this county have no more house room than they need. The Houses are small. Many two story ones have but one room upon the ground. Buildings cost more here than in M. Their houses are whitewashed instead of painted upon the outside. Probably 30 are whitewashed, where one is painted. The roofs of many are painted red. But few have cellars under their houses or ovens in them. They say milk keeps better in an airy cupboard out of the house than in a cellar, consequently small shelters from the sunshine and rain, with grates at the sides to admit the free circulation of air, may be seen near their dwellings. Small are their barns or sheds and much of their hay is stacked. Some cows are kept with not even a shed to shelter them from wintry storms. There is usually from one to three weeks sleighing in the winter, seldom a week out at one time. I think society here is pretty good. They are quite social. Mr. Leach is very much pleased with the people as well as with the country and I should not think (it) strange if Miss S. Ball should be here with him in less than six months if not within three.

Please to write soon, as I am anxious to how your health is etc. Direct your letter to Cape May Court House N. J. May the best of Heaven's blessings rest upon thee! Mary! Though our bodies are separated by distance still our hearts can communicate with each other. I close by subscribing myself yours in the bonds of peace, harmony, friendship and love.

Delana Patrick

Mary M. Maynard

As can be see from the letter, the writer took the following route to Cape May Court House, New Jersey. The miles indicated are from the letter.

1. Foot, Horseback or Wagon – Leverett, Massachusetts to Springfield, Massachusetts (~35 miles – author estimate)
2. Steamboat – Springfield, Massachusetts to Hartford, Connecticut (30 miles)
3. Steamboat “Cleopatra” – Hartford, Connecticut to New York City (160 miles)
4. Steamboat – NYC to Keyport, New Jersey (30 miles)
5. Stage – Keyport to Freehold, New Jersey (14 miles)
6. By Foot & Wagon – Freehold, New Jersey to Hydestown, New Jersey (15 miles)
7. Night Car – Hydestown, New Jersey to Bordentown, New Jersey (14 miles)
8. Steamboat – Bordentown, New Jersey to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (30 miles)
9. By Foot or Wagon – Crossed the Delaware to Camden, New Jersey
10. Stage (rode) – Camden, New Jersey to Gloucester, New Jersey (20 miles – author estimate)
11. Walked – Gloucester, New Jersey to Cape May Court House, New Jersey (50 miles – author estimate)



After Mr. Patrick finished his short visit with his parents and brother in Leverett, he went to Springfield. He doesn't describe the trip from Leverett to Springfield but he was in Springfield by early Thursday morning. From there, the rest of the trip took five days but would have only taken four if Mr. Patrick had been able to travel on the Sabbath. The hardest part seems to have been the last fifty miles. The fact that Mr. Patrick was able to take steamboats for 250 of the approximately 400 miles must have helped make the trip much more bearable. He seems to have enjoyed using the rivers for transportation.

There is some interesting commentary along the way on an asylum for the deaf in Hartford, the water supply of Philadelphia and the farming techniques in New Jersey.

So here we have a wonderfully unique New Jersey stampless cover that tells a fascinating story of travel in 1840 America. The letter writer is an educated man with a sense of humor and the ability to tell a concise but descriptive story. I hope the reader has enjoyed the adventure as much as I did.

P.S. According to the U.S. Census records, Delana and Mary Patrick were living in Milford, Massachusetts with their five children in 1860. Forty years later on the Census of 1900, now married for 59 years and both in their eighties, they were still together.

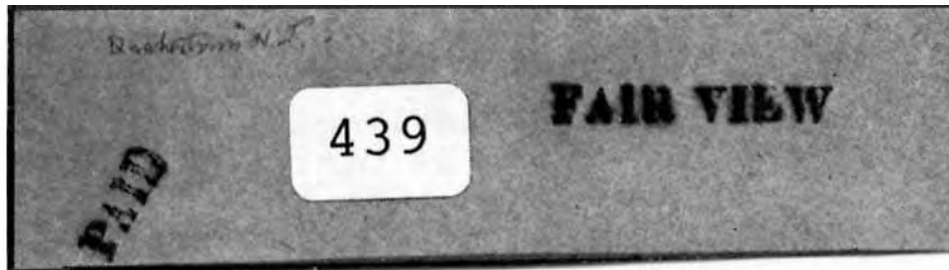
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**THE FAIR VIEW STRAIGHT LINE HANDSTAMP:  
IS IT A NEW JERSEY POSTMARK?**

By Robert G. Rose

Writing ten years ago in *NJPH*, I called attention to several elusive handstamp postmarks from New Jersey that were believed to have been used during the prestamp and stampless period, ending in 1855 when postage stamps were required on all domestic mail.<sup>1</sup> Among those discussed was a straight line postmark that was believed to have originated from Fair View in Hunterdon County.<sup>2</sup> My article noted that although the *Coles Book* did not list this postmark,<sup>3</sup> it was listed as having been used from New Jersey in the *American Stampless Cover Catalog*, with a reported usage in 1854 with dimensions of 46x 5 mm in black.<sup>4</sup> An illustration of this postmark on a cropped, partial cover, appearing in a D.G. Phillips auction sale held in 1979, was included in the article, as shown in *Figure 1*, below.<sup>5</sup>



*Fig. 1: The Fair View handstamp on partial cover.*

Referring to its description in the auction catalog, the marking was stated to be on an undated envelope circa 1850s, and “believed to be from Quakertown, New Jersey, also known as Fairview with attribution to be the 1854 *Gazetteer* by Baldwin and Thomas.”<sup>6</sup> The cover also was marked with a matching “PAID” handstamp without a rate marking. The illustration in the auction catalog shows what appears to be a non-contemporary pencil notation “Quakertown NJ” at the upper left of the cover.

My article also made reference to the *Kay & Smith Book* as confirming the establishment of the Quakertown post office in Hunterdon County in 1828,<sup>7</sup> with manuscript postmarks from that post office from 1840 to 1842 having been reported in the *Coles Book*.<sup>8</sup> Based on the belief that both “Fair View” and “Quakertown” were postmarks that originated from the *same* Hunterdon County post office in the 1850s, the 2004 update to the *Coles Book* included the Fair View straight line as a unique New Jersey usage based on the partial cover illustrated in the Phillips auction sale.<sup>9</sup>

This very same example of the Fair View straight line postmark, this time illustrated on its full cover, a buff envelope, was included in the Schuyler Rumsey auction held in December, 2010, as shown in *Figure 2*.<sup>10</sup>

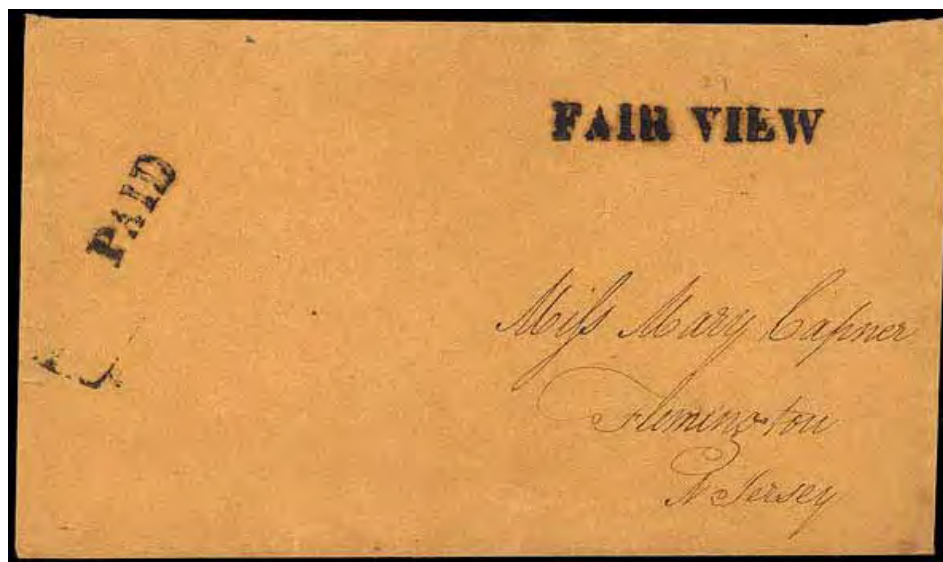


Fig. 2: The Fair View handstamp on buff-colored envelope to Flemington.

Described this time as a *Pennsylvania usage*, the auction catalog states: “bold straight line postmark with matching ‘Paid’ handstamp on fresh c.1850 cover to Flemington, N.J., **Extremely Fine**, a marvelous strike of this extremely rare town mark and believed to be unique, unlisted in ASCC.”<sup>11</sup> Its auction description as a Pennsylvania usage came as something of a surprise, perhaps because I had convinced myself that this postmark evidenced a New Jersey usage.

I then began to further research the origin of this marking, hoping to conclusively establish from which State it had originated. The internet provided some interesting leads. Focusing on a New Jersey origin, a 1834 gazetteer listing of Hunterdon County towns included the following: “Fairview or Quakertown post town of Kingwood township, Hunterdon Co., 7 miles northwest of Flemington, 29 from Trenton, and 188 from Washington, DC; contains a Quaker meeting house, 2 stores, a tavern, and some 12 or 15 dwellings, and several mechanics’ shops.”<sup>12</sup> The current official Franklin Township, Hunterdon County website history states: “Quakertown (sometimes called Fairview between 1834 and 1856).”<sup>13</sup> The 1854 Baldwin & Jones *Gazetteer* contains the following listing “Fairview, New Jersey. See Quakertown.” This is the only New Jersey-listed town with the Fairview name in the *Gazetteer*.<sup>14</sup> However, the *Kay & Smith Book*, which was based on original research of post office department records, does not list a Fair View post office in Hunterdon County,<sup>15</sup> nor does NJPHS member Jim Walker’s research and writing detailing Hunterdon County postal history, identify a Fair View post office.<sup>16</sup>

The Baldwin & Jones *Gazetteer* identifies 25 additional “Fairview” or “Fair View” named-towns with a number of locations in Pennsylvania listed as either a “post-office” or a “post-village.”<sup>17</sup> The Official United States post office guide for 1851 includes listings from 14 states, but none in New Jersey.<sup>18</sup> Presumably, any one of these many towns outside of New Jersey could have been the source of this postmark. However, the 1997 edition of the *American Stampless Cover Catalog* does not list either a “Fairview” or a “Fair View” straight line postmark from any of the 14 states listed in the 1851 post office guide. Without the original letter that was included in the envelope that was mailed to Flemington, it is not possible to identify with any certainty, the actual location of the “Fair View” post office from which this cover was postmarked.<sup>19</sup>

## FAIR VIEW STRAIGHTLINE: IS IT A NEW JERSEY POSTMARK? ~ Robert G. Rose

Perhaps a clue could be found in the name of the addressee, “Miss Mary Capner, Flemington, NJ.” Could this have been a letter mailed to Miss Capner by a suitor, and if so, from where? In a history of Bucks County, Pennsylvania, it is reported that Jacob Stover married Mary E. Capner of Flemington in June 1855.<sup>20</sup> Stover and his family owned and operated a saw mill and later, the Stover Flour Mills, located on the Delaware River in Erwinna, Pennsylvania.<sup>21</sup> The mills were less than two miles south of Frenchtown which is located over a bridge on the New Jersey side of the river, and from there, a little over 10 miles to Flemington. Certainly, the distance between the mills and Flemington were close enough to allow for serious courting in the 1850s. However, even assuming that Jacob Stover mailed the letter to his sweetheart, where was the location of the Fair View post office at which it was postmarked? None of the “Fairview” listings in the Baldwin & Jones *Gazetteer* are a match for a Bucks County origin. The closest reference in the *Gazetteer* listings is for “Fairview Village, a post-office in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania.”<sup>22</sup> Fair View Village is located to the northwest of Philadelphia, and to the north of Norristown and King of Prussia, so not likely to have been the location frequented by Mr. Stover.

Somewhat frustrated in my effort to identify the post office’s location, I spoke with two specialists in stampless markings. Tom Mazza, a long time student of Erie County, Pennsylvania postmarks, which was the locale of a Fair View post office during the stampless period, raised doubt that either Erie County or a location elsewhere in Pennsylvania was the origin of this postmark. I next spoke with the aforementioned Jim Walker, who has published a book on Hunterdon County postmarks, the presumptive locale of this post office in New Jersey.<sup>23</sup> In the absence of any official records concerning the establishment of a Fair View post office in Hunterdon County, Jim raised doubt that this straight line postmark represents a marking used in New Jersey. Thus, we are left with a mystery. Where was the location of the post office at which a letter was mailed to Miss Mary Capner in Flemington in the early 1850s? The author invites your help in solving this mystery and may be contacted at [rrose@daypitney.com](mailto:rrose@daypitney.com).

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  - <sup>3</sup> William C. Coles, Jr., *The Postal Markings of New Jersey Stampless Covers* (The Collectors Club of Chicago 1983).
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  - <sup>8</sup> William C. Coles, Jr., *op. cit.*, p. 246.
  - <sup>9</sup> Donald A. Chafetz, *The Postal Markings of New Jersey Stampless Covers: An Update*, p.8, (The New Jersey Postal History Society 2004).
  - <sup>10</sup> Schuyler Rumsey Philatelic Auctions, *The Donald Thompson Collection of Stampless Covers*, December 6, 2010, Sale No. 39, lot 543. With an estimate of \$500-\$750, the cover sold for a hammer price of \$625 plus a 15% buyer’s premium.
  - <sup>11</sup> *Ibid.* The fifth edition of the *American Stampless Cover Catalog* does not list this straight line as a Pennsylvania postmark because, as indicated earlier, the listing assumes this marking originated at a New Jersey post office.

However, it is unique, no other marking having been reported from this post office, regardless of the State in which it was located.

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<sup>23</sup> See endnote 16, *supra*.

## APPENDIX

The listings below of Fair View post offices located in the United States has been reproduced from the compilation appearing in Thomas Baldwin & J. Thomas, *A New and Completer Gazetteer of the United States*, p. 371 (Lippincott, Grambo & Co., Philadelphia 1854)(Google digital version).

<p>FAIRVIEW, a small post-village of Cattaraugus county, New York, about 45 miles S. E. from Buffalo.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW, New Jersey. See QUAKERTOWN.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW, a post-village of Alleghany county, Pennsylvania, on the right bank of Alleghany river, 10 miles N. E. from Pittsburg. The name of the post-office is Houston.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW, a small village of Beaver co., Pa. about 40 miles N. W. from Pittsburg.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW, a township of Butler county, Pennsylvania, 11 miles N. E. from Butler. Population, 1078.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW, a small village of Butler co., Pa., 14 miles N. E. from Butler.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW, a village of Cumberland county, Pennsylvania, on the W. bank of the Susquehanna river, nearly opposite Harrisburg.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW, a post-township of Erie county, Pennsylvania, on Lake Erie, intersected by the Erie and Cleveland railroad. Pop., 1760.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW, a post-village in the above township, 12 miles S. W. from Erie. Population, about 200.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW, a township forming the northern extremity of York county, Pennsylvania, on the Susquehanna river. Population, 2138.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW, a post-office of Washington county, Maryland.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW, a thriving post-village of Hancock county, Virginia, is situated 2 miles from the Ohio river, and 36 miles N. from Wheeling.</p>	<p>FAIRVIEW, a post-village in Buncombe county, N. C., 240 miles N. from Raleigh.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW, a post-village in Greenville dis., S. C., 80 miles N. W. from Columbia.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW, a post-village of Franklin co., Ga., about 100 miles N. from Milledgeville.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW, a post-office of Dallas co., Ark.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW, a post-office of Marion county, Tennessee.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW, a post-village of Todd county, Kentucky, 190 miles S. W. from Frankfort.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW, a post-village of Guernsey county, Ohio, on the National road, 44 miles E. by N. from Zanesville. It contains several churches, and from 400 to 500 inhabitants.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW, a village of Fayette county, Indiana, 50 miles E. by S. from Indianapolis.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW, a thriving post-village of Randolph county, Indiana, on the Mississinewa river, about 75 miles N. E. from Indianapolis.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW, a post-township in Fulton county, Illinois. Population, 1047.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW, a post-village of Fulton county, Illinois, 75 miles N. N. W. from Springfield.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW, a post-village of Pettis co., Missouri, 76 miles W. by N. from Jefferson City.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW, a small post-village of Jones county, Iowa, on or near the Wapeipinicon river, 38 miles N. N. E. from Iowa City.</p> <p>FAIRVIEW VILLAGE, a post-office of Montgomery county, Pennsylvania.</p> <p>FAIRVILLE, a post-village of Wayne county, New York, 20 miles E. from Rochester.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">371</p>
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## CENSUS OF EARLY NEW JERSEY COVERS: Part I

By Ed & Jean Siskin

A census of covers existing in a particular area can offer significant benefits. The rarity of a particular cover can be determined. Even more importantly, a study of a cover census can often disclose important postal history information.

We have been documenting early American covers for many years. We now want to publish the New Jersey portion and we hope members will add to it wherever possible.

The scope of this census is to list all New Jersey covers dated before June 1, 1792. This includes covers handled by the parliamentary post (to 1777), its American successors (1775-1792) and by independent services. The 1792 date was chosen since it was the effective date of the first comprehensive postal law of the United States under the new United States Constitution and the start of postal rates in dollars and cents. We will first try to list all covers prior to June 1, 1792 with New Jersey postal markings. Then we'll list those covers clearly originating within New Jersey, regardless of markings. During the Parliamentary period, the post offices in what was to become the State of New Jersey were Perth Amboy (1692) and Burlington (1693): Added were Trenton, (1734), New Brunswick (1748), Elizabethtown and Princeton (1757), Newark (1766), and Woodbridge (1767). This does not mean other New Jersey markings might not exist. The first of the post offices added under the new General Post Office, established by Congress on July 26, 1775, was Morristown in 1776. Others followed, but most have no reported postmarks.

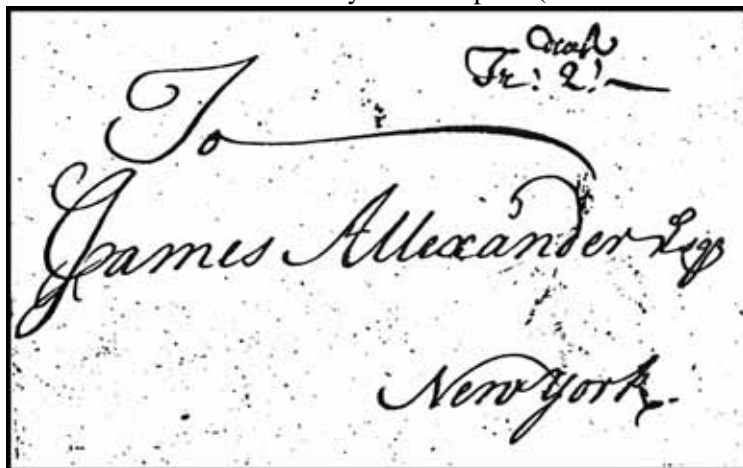
Eventually, with our members' help, we hope to have a database of all appropriate covers on our Society's website. We will continue to show other covers from this database in future journals. Please send all new information to be included to [jeananded@comcast.net](mailto:jeananded@comcast.net) – your help is needed.

### Trenton (1734)

1737.06.23

Black "Tr:2 dwt:-

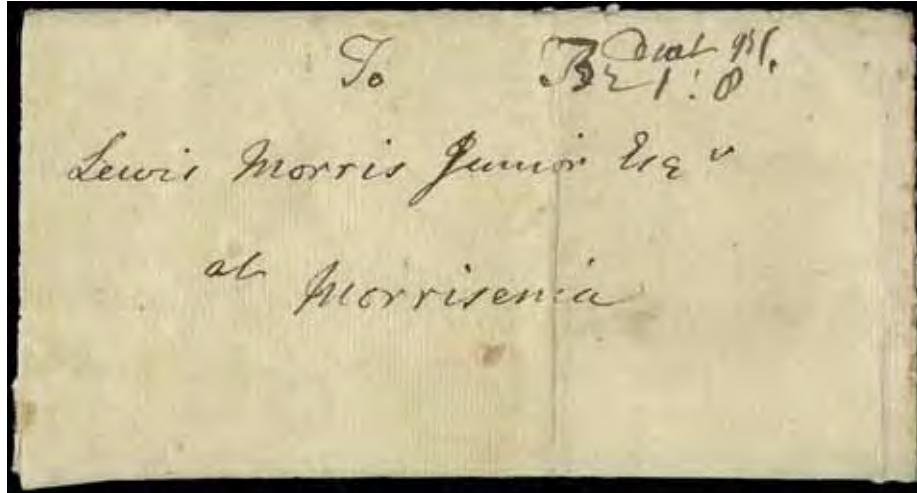
" From Philadelphia via Trenton to New York City. ex-Sampson (ter Braake Cover NJ8).



**1743.08.23**

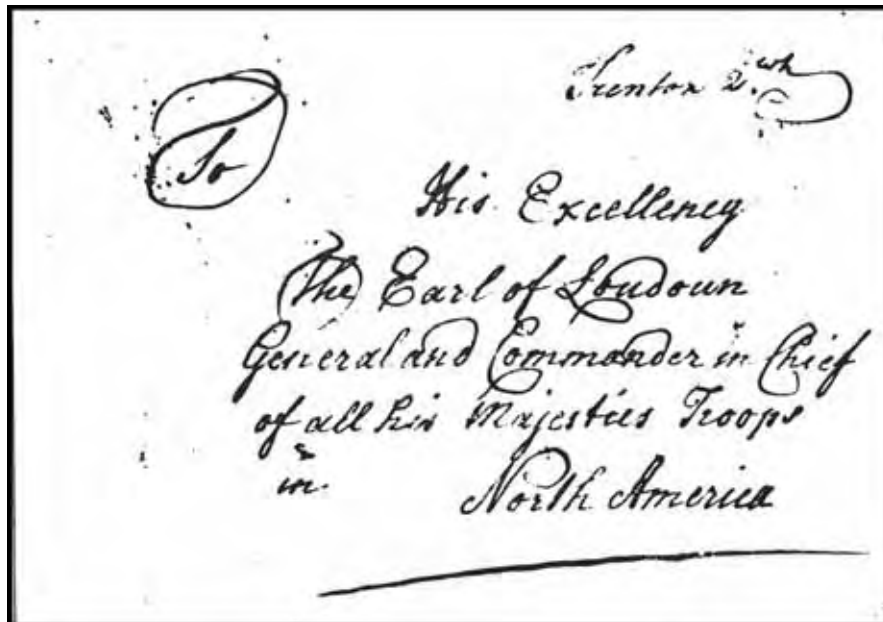
Trenton to Morrisania (sic) (NYC), 1 dwt 8 gr, (Coles Lot 403) (Siegel Sale 1002 Lot 3050).

Note: Year needs to be checked since Lewis Morris didn't become "Esq" until 1746. Also Morris appears to have been at Yale, not Morrisania in August 1743.



**1757.10.10**

"Trenton 2 dwt" manuscript in black, Trenton to New York, to the Earl of Loudoun, requesting 100 soldiers for protection, Huntington Library (ter Braake NJ9).



CENSUS OF EARLY NJ COVERS ~ Ed & Jean Siskin

**1761.06.06**

1761 (Jun. 6) London, England to Burlington, N.J. via Trenton, dated folded letter to Sam Smith the Treasurer of the Colony of New Jersey, carried via the Falmouth-New York packet, received with reddish "NEW / YORK" handstamp and manuscript "Sh 2.16" rating, received and forwarded to Burlington with black manuscript "Trenton" postmark and matching "1" rating, totaled to "3.16"; letter separated at folds, Fine, the 2 dwt (6 pence) rate for 60-100 miles from New York to Trenton plus 16 grain ship rate, 1 dwt (3 pence) for forwarding to Burlington totaled to 3 dwt 16 grains due from addressee. (ex-Siskin).



**1761.07.11**

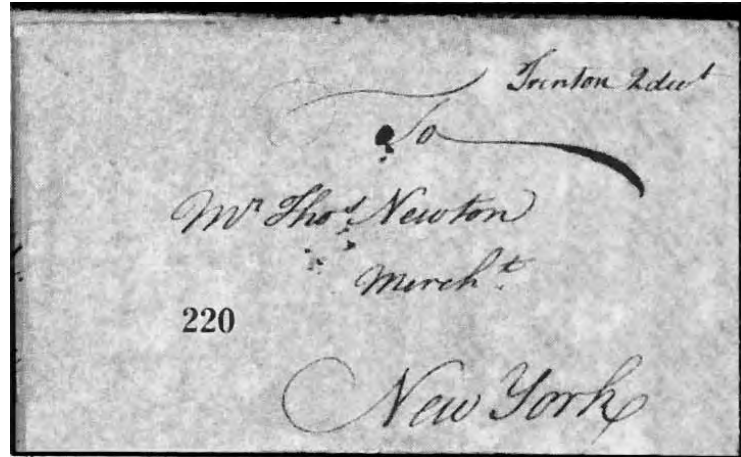
Trenton black ms transit pmk on 1761 folded letter from England, July 11 Bishop Mark on back, ms packet postage, brownish "New York" straight line pmk and "2" (dwt) rate, "1" (dwt) added at Trenton for "3" total due at Burlington, letter of Joseph Sherwood, restored edges (Newman Sale 23 Lot 929) (Frajola Sale 10, Lot 70).





**1764**

Trenton 2 dwt black ms postmark and rate on 1764 folded letter, dated from Philadelphia to New York (Frajola Sale 32 Lot 220).



**1768**

"Trenton 1dw 8gr". Black manuscript postmark on cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, receipt docketing with 1768 yeardate. With "9d" due in local currency (1dwt8gr=4p x 1.67=7p plus 2p carrier fee), (Siegel Sale 944 Lot 2607 – 2 covers – See also 1769).



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**1768.04.25**

"Trenton 2 dwt paid" ms pmk and rate on March 29, 1768 folded A.L.S. of Joseph Reed to NY, with arrival date stamp on reverse (Frajola Sale 38 Lot 224).



**1769**

"Trenton 3 dwt" Black manuscript postmark on cover to John Reynell in Philadelphia, receipt docketing with 1769 yeardate, without local currency rate, small nick at top. (Siegel Sale 944 Lot 2607) (This lot contained 2 covers, see 1768 above.)

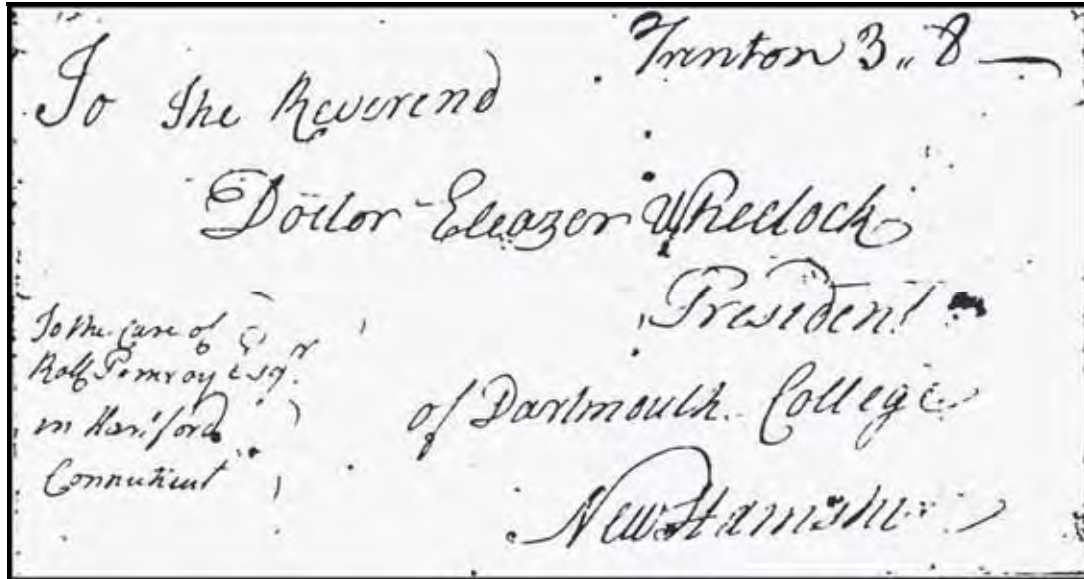
**1770.11.11**

"Trenton 1 dwt 8 Grs". Manuscript postmark and 1dwt 8gr rate on folded cover to Israel Pemberton in Philadelphia, red "9d" due in local currency ((1dwt8gr=4p x 1.67 inflation factor=7p plus 2p carrier fee), receipt docketing "Trenton 11th Novr 1770 From Stacy Beaks at Gideon Bickerdike's Este" (Bickerdike was a prominent Quaker), (Siegel Sale 944 Lot 2608).



**1774.05.03**

Trenton, 3.8, ms. pmk. on folded cvr to the "President of Dartmouth College, New Hamshire", endorsed to be sent via Hartford, Conn., dkted May 3, 1774. ex-Faulstich, (ter Braake NJ10).



**1780.08.03**

"Tren-1-8". Manuscript postmark and 1dwt 8gr rate on folded cover from England to John Reynell in Philadelphia, sender's directive "To the Care of Saml. Shoemaker, New York", "EXETER" straightline handstamp and red manuscript "P 1N4" for 1sh packet rate and 4p internal GB postage, manuscript "Pd 2d Str.", receipt docketing dated 3d of 8 mo: 1780". Evidently this was sent by ship from England to Samuel Shoemaker in New York City, then privately carried to Trenton N. J. where it entered the mails to Philadelphia. (Siegel Sale 944 Lot 2755) (Two covers in this lot. – see 1781.04.14).

NO PICTURE AVAILABLE

**1781.04.14**

"Tren-1-8". Manuscript postmark and 1dwt 8gr rate on folded cover from England to John Reynell in Philadelphia, sender's directive "To the Care of Saml. Shoemaker, New York", "EXETER" straightline handstamp and red manuscript "P 1N4" for 1sh packet rate and 4p internal GB postage, manuscript "Pd 2d Str.", receipt docketing "From Mary Groth, Rec'd 14 of 4 mo: 1781. New York City was occupied by the British (but Philadelphia was not), evidently this was sent by ship from England to Samuel Shoemaker in New York City, then privately carried to Trenton N. J. where it entered the mails to Philadelphia. (Siegel Sale 944 Lot 2755) (Two covers in this lot – see also 1780.08.03).



**1782.11.01**

Black Manuscript "Tren." Post paid 4" to Albany (ex-Siskin).



We hope that any members with covers from this period in their collections, or who have knowledge of others in auction catalogues, philatelic literature, web sites or other sources we have not included, will be in touch with that information and scans to be included, so this early database can be as complete as possible. Please contact Ed and Jean Siskin at [jeananded@comcast.net](mailto:jeananded@comcast.net).

Other parts of this database will be presented in future issues of *NJPH*.

**ADDITIONS TO THE SOUTHARD LETTERS: from Mike Yannotta’s  
Collection – Stampless Folded Letters with Historical Content\***  
(Historic Notes added by Jean Walton)

Samuel Southard was a New Jersey favorite son, whose political career spanned the years between 1811 and 1842, when he was a New Jersey Senator, a judge, a US Senator, Secretary of the Navy, Attorney General, Governor of New Jersey, and again a US Senator, ending his career as President pro tem of the Senate.

Mike has contributed before to this collection, and again adds a number of letters. These span the whole career of Samuel L. Southard, so it seemed appropriate to refresh members with a timeline of Southard’s life. These dates help make sense of the letters and to where they were addressed. This table is included on the following page.

The fact is that Southard lived and moved amongst some of the greats of his era, and while every letter is not a gold mine, many are doors that open windows on a period of time and the people who lived then. We are lucky to live in a time when so much information is available to us. Our windows are the Internet access we have and the ability to uncover people and things from 200 years ago. Much can be discovered – we have only to look.

The first letter here is from the period when Southard had returned to New Jersey from Virginia, where he was studying the law, to begin his career as a lawyer, and to make his first home with his new wife, Rebecca Harrow. The last one in this group is written only two months before his death. In between are letters that fill in the picture, to which we have added historic or relevant information where possible. We hope you will enjoy exploring this period of history.

For others who have already contributed letters to this project, we are eager to have any new contributions you might have, and for ones already published, we would like to replace the black and white photocopies with color scans. To that end, we have put online a list of Southard letters that have been published, with the issue and contributor (by initials only), so you can check to see if your letters are new or have already been included in this series. New contributors are always welcome. The list is available at [www.NJPostalHistory.org/media/pdf/southardlist.pdf](http://www.NJPostalHistory.org/media/pdf/southardlist.pdf) or from your secretary [see address inside front cover] by mail. A key to the contributor abbreviations is also available on request. Please send any new information and scans to [Secretary@NJPostalHistory.org](mailto:Secretary@NJPostalHistory.org). Links to previous Southard articles are available here [listed by *NJPH* Whole numbers]:

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\* See article by Don Chafetz on Millington, NJ, which includes a Southard letter.

\* **NOTE:** The Collected Letters to and from Samuel Southard is a long-running series in *NJPH*, the last of which was published in Nov. 2010 (Vol. 38 No. 4 Whole number 180). These letters contain much historical content, and are numerous in the hands of New Jersey collectors of stampless markings. From time to time, we add to this series, and hope to publish the whole group in digital form soon for download by interested members. This project is intended to add the content of these letters to the historical record kept in other places, most notably Princeton University (with probably the largest depository of Southard letters, as Princeton purchased the large collection of Coles letters, with the exception of those not in the philatelic community), the Naval Archives, Rutgers University, and the New Jersey Historical Society.

**ADDITIONS TO THE SOUTHARD LETTERS: From the Collection of Mike Yannotta**

Southard Timeline, including positions and family events

Yr	Age			President	Children of Samuel & Rebecca Southard				
1787	0	Birth	Bernards Twp/ Somerset Cty	Geo. Washing-ton					
1796				John Adams					
1799	12	student	Finley's Academy, Basking Ridge, NJ						
1800				T. Jefferson					
1802	15								
1804	17	University student	Princeton, NJ						
1806	19	Teacher/tutor	Mendham, NJ						
1807	20	begins law studies	Oakland, VA						
1808				J. Madison					
1810	23								
1811	24	Surrogate	Flemington, NJ						
1812	25	Hunt'n Prosecutor Morris & Sussex Freeholder	weds Rebecca Harrow						
1813	26		1st son John born		John				
1815	28	NJ Assemblyman	daughter Virginia born			Virg			
				J. Monroe					
1817	30	State Supreme Ct Justice	move to Trenton, NJ						
1818	31		son Henry born				Henry		
1819	32		son Samuel Jr. born					Sam	
1820	33								
1821	34	US Senator							
1823	36	Sect'y of the Navy	infant daug Mary born & dies						Mary
1824	37		John dies; Sally born	J.Q. Adams					Sally
1825	38		move to DC; Sally dies						
1826	39		Ann born						Ann
1828				A. Jackson					
1829	42	State Atty Gen	Ann dies; move to Trenton						
1832	45	Governor of NJ	Nov 1 1832-						
1833	46		-Feb 1833						
1834	47	US Senate							
1836				M. Van Buren					
1837	50		Morris Canal Co. Pres.						
1840			Move to Jersey City, NJ	Harrison/ Tyler					
1841	54	President pro tem of the Senate	Mar 11, 1841 - May 31, 1842						
1842	55	Death June 26, 1842	Fredericksburg, Va.						

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Addressed to

Mr. Samuel L. Southard

Flemington

Hunterdon, NJ

From: Thos. C. Ryerson

Hamburg, NJ

February 26 (1811)

Paid 40/11 Way

Hamburg 26 Feby. 1811

Dear Sir

It must I believe, be my turn to apologize now. But my scene will be short and easy. I only received your letter last Tuesday while at Newton attending court. I had been absent from my office sometime in consequence of the very precarious health of one of my sisters who has not long since been relieved from the troubles and anxieties of this earthly scene. I shall continue yet a week or two with my father's family when I shall again resume my studies in the accustomed place. There a kind letter from you may find me. I am much gratified to hear that you have once more returned to New Jersey with an expectation, I suppose, of continuing with us. I was very much surprised as well as gratified with the intelligence. I never expected that you would again become a citizen of your native state. For it must be confessed that we afford but very little encouragement to a young man to devote his attention to studies of the Bar. Could I reconcile myself to a separation from my friends, I should shortly quit the state, if I had any expectation of making my profession the sole or even principal business of my life.

If you continue with us what part of the state do you contemplate making your residence? As for myself I have thought upon many places but have found none that could afford me much encouragement. I wish to find when I do settle a place that will present some other prospects besides those of a literary profession; for I am well persuaded, that I shall become heartily tired of it, before many years. Possibly my disposition may change or habit may reconcile me to it, but that's what I little expect.



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Were you long in this state before you settled down where you are now? Did you spend much time in Mendham? What I have from you is almost the only intelligence I have had from that place since early in October last. I expect however to hear from there soon. Mr. Armstrong has an appointment in this neighborhood next Sabbath; and on such occasion he generally puts up at my father's. But I will dare not ask him what inducements Miss W- had to sell him –

From an observation which you made, I was led to believe that you thought me deceived with regard to that young lady as well as yourself. I will not undertake to affirm that the fact is not such but if you knew what I know you would say if I am deceived much art has been made use of; and art too very closely copying nature –

The mail has just arrived and I must stop short,

Yours &c

Thos. C. Ryerson

**Historical Notes:** Thomas Ryerson was born in Myrtle Grove, NJ in 1788, and was a student at Princeton with Southard, graduating in 1809, and a friend of Southard's from this period of his life. He studied law with Judge Halstead in Newton and he served under Colonel Jackson in the War of 1812. He was admitted to the Bar of New Jersey in 1814 and practiced law in Hamburg. He married that same year. Like Southard, he became a member of the New Jersey Legislature, and a Judge on the New Jersey Supreme Court. His death came even earlier than Southard's, in 1838.<sup>1</sup>

Apparently Ryerson did reconcile with himself to remaining in New Jersey, in spite of his inclinations to move away. Southard's career began in Flemington, where he brought his new wife. They lived in a house still standing in Flemington, a former tavern known as Fleming Castle, not as grand as its name implies:



*Post card view of Fleming Castle in Flemington.*

<sup>1</sup> [Ryerson, Albert Winslow](http://www.ebooksread.com/authors-eng/albert-winslow-ryerson.shtml), *The Ryerson Genealogy: Genealogy And History Of The Knickerbocker Families Of Ryerson, etc.*, an online eBook at <http://www.ebooksread.com/authors-eng/albert-winslow-ryerson.shtml>.

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Addressed to:

Samuel L. Southard, Esq.  
Trenton  
N. Jersey

Postmarked Aug 8 (1822)

Fairton NJ<sup>2</sup> MSS (Cumberland)  
Way 11

From: Eph Bateman

Cedarville August 7th 1822

Dear Sir,

A severe indisposition {bilious fever combined with an inflammatory affection of the breast} has for weeks rendered me in a great measure incapable of attending any business – The violence of the disease appears to be at length overcome by often repeated bleedings and by 10 or 15 doses of physic<sup>3</sup> – I am left however in a state of feebleness from which I will no doubt recover very slowly if at all – I state these facts as an excuse for not having sooner replied to your several letters of the 2nd and 29th inst. Having intended so to conduct myself in regard to Mr. W's care as met rightfully to subject myself to any blame from him, I was particularly gratified by yours of the 2nd July that you did not intend to convey the sentiment which the terms of your previous letter would fairly if not necessarily warrant. Mr. W went on to Washington for the purpose of settling his accounts, as I understood, a few days after his return from N York. He has not but recently returned having remained there for some weeks. How he succeeded in his settlement I have not learned. I expected Salem would obtain the representatives at the next election. It is natural enough for them to do so especially as they were the prevailing (usages) of the state on their side. If they can unite in a good man, perhaps it is best that they should be gratified – Bad health and other circumstances have operated greatly to lessen my anxiety about it. My attachment to home is strong & were it not that I do not at present see any convenient calling by which I can provide

<sup>2</sup> Coles indicates a spelling of Fairtown 1812-1823, and Fantown 1812-1818. This manuscript postmark however is clearly Fairton. Roth's database of NJ mss cancels records an even earlier Fairton in 1821.

<sup>3</sup> Bilious fever is an archaic medical term referring to an illness characterized by fever and vomiting, and thought to be associated with the overproduction of bile. A "dose of physic" was a laxative or purgative medicine.

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competently for the want of my numerous family, I believe I should have a preference for retirement.

My health will not allow me to encounter the fatigues inseparable from the extended country practice & if it were otherwise, I could not probably acquire it during the last few years. Several young and active physicians have settled around me so that what formerly was divided by 2 or 3 is now shared by 5 or 6.

Upon the whole I feel as if I could not be much recommended in any way by the result – I do not at this time absolutely decline but should have no great difficulty in doing so should my friends concur in the opinion that it would be most desirable.

Yours Respectfully  
Eph Bateman

S L Southard Esq

PS I shall be pleased to hear from you whenever convenient – I thank you for the detail of your conversation with Mr. Jeffers.

**Historical Notes:** Ephraim Bateman (born 1770) was a Cedarville doctor and member of the New Jersey Legislature and the US Congress (1815-1823) and Senate (1826-1829). This letter is written to Southard in 1822 when he was a US Senator, before his appointment to the Cabinet, and before he had moved his family to Washington, and is addressed to Trenton. Bateman continued to advise Southard until his death.

Bateman's death in 1829 opened a seat in the Senate which Southard hoped to gain. He however was not the only candidate, and although the first votes favored him above the others (replacement being chosen by election in the NJ Legislature), the question of his residency arose (as during Southard's term as Secretary of the Navy, he and his family lived in Washington with no New Jersey residence). He was eliminated in a political move by his opponents on these grounds. This was a severe disappointment to Southard, and led to his accepting instead the position of State Attorney General, and later and even more reluctantly, Governor of New Jersey. Southard's heart was in National politics at this time, and as soon as another opportunity arose to take a seat in the Senate, he abandoned the governorship for it.

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Addressed to:

The Hon. Samuel L. Southard  
Secretary of the Navy  
Washington, D.C.

Postmarked Nov 17 (1827)

Jersey City cds (Coles J6/red) (Bergen)  
Free

From: Charles Stewart

Hudson Square  
New York  
Nov 16th 1827

My Dear Friend,

I have never been satisfied with the letter to you for my journal and must trouble you to skim over an altered copy of it which I will enclose on the same sheet with the original before seen by you say by a word which you prefer & return the sheet to me immediately – that is in a day or two as I expect to commence printing about the 25th inst. I have been greatly interested in my preparation & have scarce devoted a week to it since I had the happiness of seeing you.

The principal difficulty in the letter at present in my mind is the first sentence – if any way of amending it strikes you please suggest it. I am tolerably well satisfied with the text especially if the part alluding to the example accompanying your advice should, as it is, or with any modification meet your views. If the letter is not such as you could wish it to be let me know and I will make another effort.

Mrs. Wilson passed through the city to Troy this week & Virginia will have another friend & guardian near her, I shall spend a day or two in Troy in two or three weeks & shall be able to learn the state of things in reference to Virginia. I feel as anxious for her happiness and success as if she were my sister.

My love to Mrs S- and dear little Bud and the boys

Yours affectionately

Hon S L Southard

Chas Stewart

**Historic Notes:** Charles Stewart was a close friend to the Southards, as indicated by his references to daughter Virginia at Troy Female Seminary (she was then about 12 years old), the boys (Sam and Henry – as Southard’s oldest son has already died of epilepsy in 1824), and “dear little Bud” – which must be a reference to Ann, born in 1826. Two other girls, Mary and Sally, were born to the Southards, both dying very young. Ann was the apple of her father’s eye, but unfortunately would also die, just as the Southards were leaving Washington at the end of his term as Secretary of the Navy, to return to New Jersey. She was then only three.

Stewart was born in 1795 in Flemington, graduated from Princeton in 1815, and Princeton Theological Seminary in 1821. Trained as a Presbyterian minister, he and his wife were sent as missionaries to the Sandwich Islands [Hawaii] between 1823 and 1825<sup>4</sup> by the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, along with Betsey Stockton, a freed New Jersey slave woman, the first American unmarried woman to be sent abroad as a missionary. The letter he refers to is at the beginning of his book, *Residence at the Sandwich Islands 1823, 1824, & 1825*,<sup>5</sup> and is written to his friend, the Secretary of the Navy. He served as a chaplain in the United States Navy.



**Charles S.  
Stewart, Navy  
Chaplain**

Two other diaries followed, entitled *Visit to the South Seas* (2 vol.) in 1831 and *Sketches of Society of Great Britain and Ireland in 1832* (published in 1834). Each were written as correspondence to specific people, the first to a Mrs. Bowers, the second to his wife, as her health prevented her from accompanying him to the South Seas, and the third addressed to Miss Virginia E. Southard, then a young woman of 19 and about to be married. All are fascinating accounts of life abroad, and were popular amongst society of the day.

**SAMUEL LEWIS SOUTHARD,**  
**SECRETARY OF THE NAVY**  
**OF THE**  
**UNITED STATES.**

DEAR SIR,—The Journal, now committed to the press, was originally written, for the perusal of yourself and a few other intimate friends. I avail myself, with great pleasure, of the opportunity afforded by its publication, to acknowledge my gratitude for your friendship, at a period of life, when the guardianship of the wise is most essential. To the confidence and affectionate counsels received from you, in my early youth, I attribute benefits to myself of the highest value—benefits, which must ever make your name and character, dear to the best feelings of,

Your sincere Friend,  
**CHARLES SAMUEL STEWART.**



*Northwestern view of the Troy Female Seminary.*

The Troy Female Seminary, founded by Emma Willard in Troy, NY, was established in 1821 to give young girls the same opportunity for a classic education as boys had at this time. Southard’s oldest daughter Virginia attended, as did many young ladies of Washington & Philadelphia society. The Emma Willard School is still in operation today.<sup>6</sup>

<sup>4</sup> Missionaries of the ABCFM at <http://www.phcmontreat.org/bios/Bios-Missionaries-Hawaii.htm>. (May 17, 2011)

<sup>5</sup> This book and other volumes by C. S. Stewart of his travels are available online at Google Books. This first book, written as a correspondence, was published in 1828, and is available at [http://books.google.com/books?id=QDA-AAAAMAJ&printsec=frontcover&source=gbs\\_ge\\_summary\\_r&cad=0#v=onepage&q&f=false](http://books.google.com/books?id=QDA-AAAAMAJ&printsec=frontcover&source=gbs_ge_summary_r&cad=0#v=onepage&q&f=false).

<sup>6</sup> Emma Willard School at <http://www.emmawillard.org/about/> (May 18, 2011)

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Addressed to

Samuel L. Southard, Esq.

Trenton

N. Jersey

From: Edmund T. Williams

Middletown Point NJ

February 22 (1831)

Paid 11 Way

single weight

Shrewsbury N J Feby 22nd 1831

Respected Friend,

Having not received a letter from you since court. I thought it better to write a few lines to put you in mind of it – I expect you have so much business on hand is the reason you have not written – I would like to know soon for the first of April will be here soon- I should like to know what would be the best way to hold the mortgage in case the land is taken in payment –

I was mistaken about said mortgage it is not on the whole of any property – it is only on the doubtful part- There is as much if not more due than the part will bring or is worth-

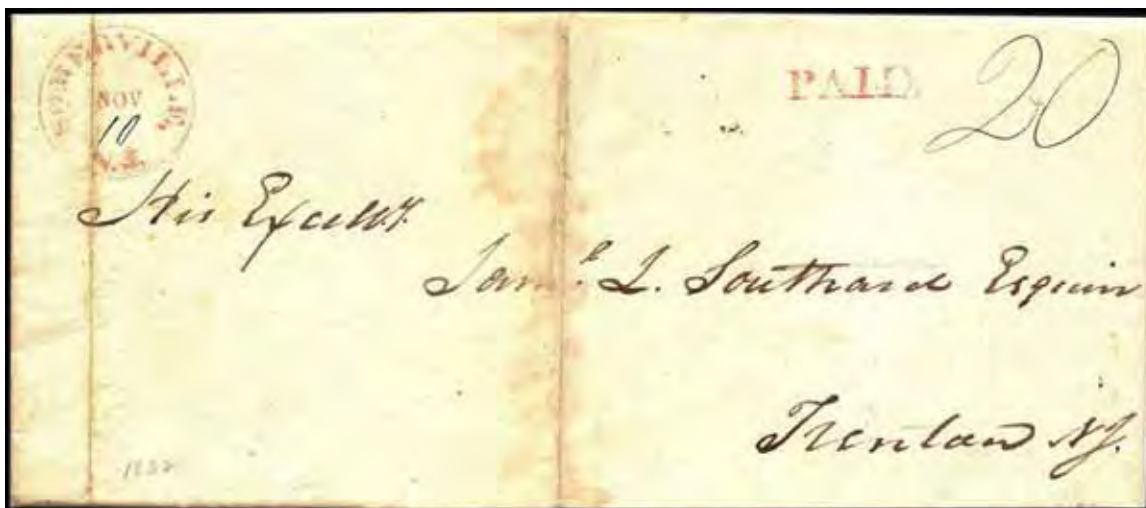
In haste from yours respectfully

Edmund T Williams

NB:

I should like you would let me know what will be the expense in foreclosing the mortgage

**Historic Notes:** This letter was written to Southard during his term as State Attorney General, and thus addressed to Trenton. Williams was born in 1804 in Colt's Neck, and raised in Shrewsbury, where he was a surveyor and farmer by trade.



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Addressed to

His Excellency  
Samuel L. Southard, Esquire  
Trenton, NJ

From: JW Freilinghuysen

Somerville  
Nov 10 (1832)  
Cds (Coles S25)  
Paid 20

Somerville Nov 8th 1832

Dear Sir,

I received your very agreeable communication enclosing a commission to act as surrogate for the County of Somerset until an appointment be made in joint meeting of Legislature of New Jersey –

I have executed the Bond and affidavit required by law, which will be forwarded by two of our judges by their appearance to the Secretary of State as directed - I shall endeavor for the fully to execute the duties required of me by law in said office –

I am sir

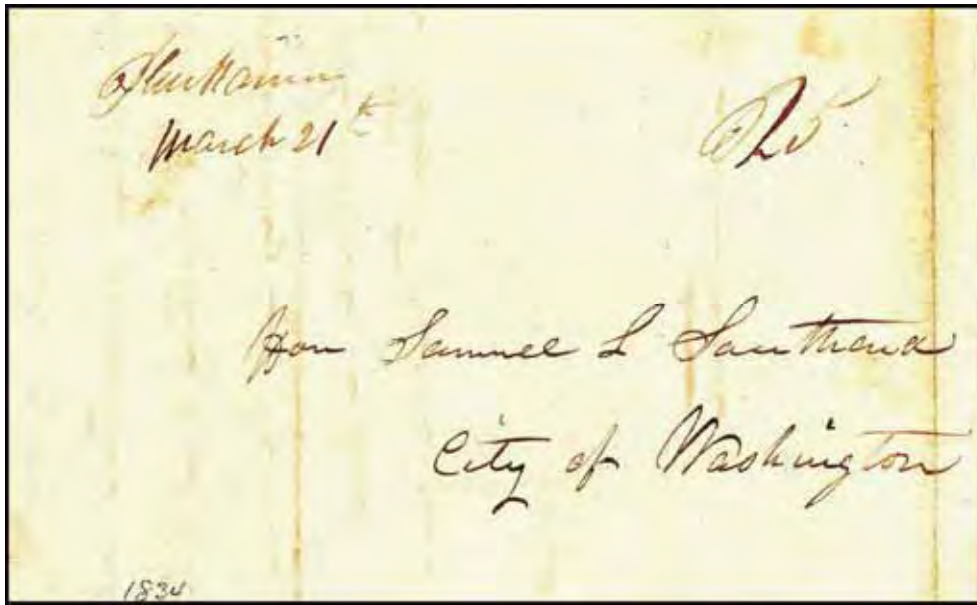
Your respectful and Obedient servant  
J W Freilinghuysen

His Excellency Samuel L Southard

NB I have enclosed for the judges the Bond and affidavit JF

**Historic notes:** Freilinghuysen has been a name in New Jersey politics since the Revolution – This J.W. [John] Freilinghuysen was the older brother of Theodore, who was a friend, schoolmate, and competitor with Southard for many plum NJ appointments and elective positions. John, born in 1776, was a graduate of Queens College – renamed Rutgers in 1825. This letter is written to Southard 10 days after Southard's becoming Governor of New Jersey, a position he held for only 4 months. J.W. is responding to an appointment as surrogate. His home in Raritan Township now houses the Raritan Library and Museum.

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Addressed to

Hon. Samuel L. Southard  
City of Washington

Pluckamin (sic)  
March 21 (1834)  
20

From: Elias Brown

Pluckamin March 21 1834

Dear Sir,

Your kind favor was received by me some time since. There has been no source through which we have been able to secure a document from Congress since your brother was a member of that body, while the packages of the Jackson Party are industriously circulated.

The principles which have guided yourself and colleagues in the present crisis of public affairs will do honor to you through life, and succeeding generations will refer to the same principals to sustain our liberties from tyranny and usurpation.

For anything we (receive) we must depend on our senators as we depend on them to preserve ourselves and our country from ruin

Yours with Sentiments

Elias Brown

Hon Saml L Southard

**Historic Notes:** At this time, Southard had returned to the Senate. Brown references the fact that when Southard was not in Washington, his brother Isaac was a member of the House of Representatives. Previous to Samuel's role on the national scene, his father was also a member of Congress. Local politics relied heavily on their representatives for support.

Elias Brown was a lawyer in Pluckemin, known locally as Squire Brown.



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Addressed to

Samuel L. Southard, Esq.  
Of the United States Senate  
Trenton, New Jersey

Monroe (NJ)

Sept 27 (1834)

Paid 10

From: Wm P Seigle

September 25th, 1834

Dear Sir,

I understand you were at Flemington by sending the papers required respecting the property of Benjamin Wright (Decd.). You would send your opinion (likely you have not acted thereof.)

Papers sent

Coppy of the will

Advertisements of the sale

Copy of the injunction

Left with the commission

Please to send your opinion immediately

From your friend with respect  
For Elijah Wright

Wm. P Seigle

Samuel L. Southard Esq  
NB Direct your letter to Elijah Wright  
Mt. Pleasant Post Office Alexandria Twp.  
Hunterdon County

*(Original spelling used. Ed)*

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Addressed to

Hon. Samuel L. Southard, Esq.  
Jersey City, New Jersey

From: John Whitaker

Deckertown NJ

MSS

Sept 17 (1840)

Deckertown September 16th 1840

Dear Sir,

I have just returned from the great Lo-Co-Fo-Co mass meeting at Newton this day. They had quite a large turn out estimating from 2 to 3000 people. At our meeting the 24th we expect that there will be over five thousand. They are (or rather our Whigs, friends) are coming from Milford Pa and from old Orange County with the expectation of hearing from you and Ogden Hoffman Esq. Mr P D Vroom addresses the Democrats this day two hours and took a great deal of pain to bring your name in question viz. that the Broad Seal should be respected if it had to be done in blood &c &c - You may think it strange that we address you so often but I do assure you that your presence here would do a great deal to put down that Patent Democracy. The self styled Democrats are doing their interests in the Township and already boast of an inward majority and I have no doubt but they will turn out pretty well and be willing to hear a little light on the subject (as we have already said) we cannot think of you saying no - should your business be such that it will be impossible for you to come I hope you will take the favor to send us two or three speakers. We have written to several eminent men but have not received any answers. I suppose that they are not at home and presently they will be here. We do not want too much of an uncertainty, either can so believe that it will be so, believing that you will do your utmost in behalf of Wantage.

I remain yours in haste And obt servt

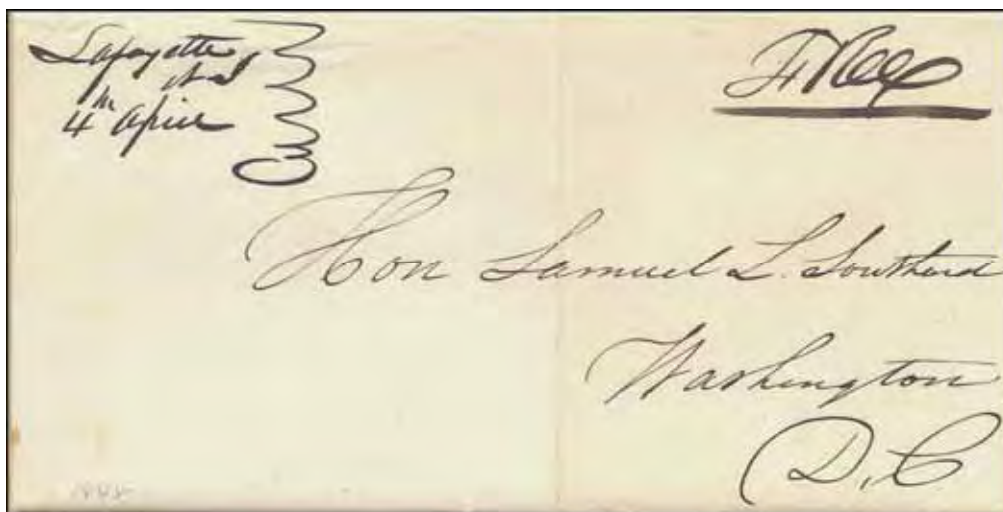
John A. Whitaker

S L Southard Esq.

In behalf of the Jefferson Club

**Historic Notes:** This letter is addressed to Southard in Jersey City, as he had taken a position first as President of the Morris Canal and Banking Company, and later as company attorney, and as such, was provided housing in Jersey City. Because housing was scarce, the Southards were forced to live above the offices of the company, until the misfortune of a hurricane destroyed their lodgings there. They then moved to New York City for a time, living in the Astor Hotel, where Virginia also lived with her husband Ogden Hoffman, who is mentioned here. For information on Locofocoism, see see [147](#), p. 83, for the Broad Seal War, see [145](#), p. 32. Deckertown is now known as Sussex.

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Addressed to

Hon. Samuel L. Southard, Esq.

Washington

D.C.

From: Jos Northrup

Lafayette NJ

MSS

April 4 (1842)

Free

La Fayette Apl 4th 1842

Hon. Samuel L. Southard

Sir,

Alexander Boyles Esq. post master of the village with whom you must have some acquaintance has just shown me a letter from the post office department saying that representations had been made to that department by the citizens of Newton that his office had been conducted for a number of years by other persons and no attention to it given by him &c and it was just cause for removal from office if he did not satisfy the department to the contrary &c.

I have lived in this place six years and during that time I will risk the assertion that the office has been as well as any other in the county let an examination speak for itself.

Mr. Boyles is no doubt the choice of the citizens of Lafayette and vicinity for that office by a large difference. The office is kept in his own house under the same roof with his own residence and the business mostly done under his immediate view and inspection.

The citizens of Newton have made misrepresentations to the department and I do not know why they should trouble themselves with our business as long as we can satisfy it ourselves and as long as the department can see no neglect or mismanagement in the office. It's a small matter truly but will you confer a favour upon your particular friend by placing matters in their true light and presenting as you can by inquiry to our place to the P.O. department and by misrepresentation to the person of a worthy & generous citizen

With much esteem

Yours truly

Jos. Northrup

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**Historic Notes:** The last letter in this group is written only 2 months before Southard's death from what was called "bilious fever." Requests for favors fill the boxes of Southard correspondence; and Southard did his best to respond. This relates to the Lafayette post office, and the docketing on this cover indicates that it was received April 7, 1842, and answered on April 8<sup>th</sup>: *'It will give me pleasure if fit opportunity occurs to represent your wishes statements to the Dept. in regard to the P O in your place.'* Broyles was the original postmaster there, when it was established in 1826, claiming to be the first town in the US named for General Lafayette on his return visit to the States.

On May 31, 1842, because of his failing health, Southard resigned his position as President pro tem of the Senate.

The description below brings the characters of this drama to life. Written by O. H. Smith, a contemporary, it brings alive a picture of this time.

### **SAMUEL L. SOUTHARD.** (sketch by Oliver Hampton Smith)

An intimacy for years in the Senate between the subject of this sketch and myself, enables me to speak of him as his high position deserves. Samuel L. Southard was long New Jersey's favorite son. He held the highest offices within the power of the State and people to confer upon him. Governor, Supreme Judge, United States Senator. He was made Secretary of the Navy by Mr. Monroe, when quite a young man, and was continued by Mr. Adams through his administration.

I became acquainted with Mr. Southard in the Senate. At the session after the death of General Harrison and the constitutional elevation of Mr. Tyler to the Executive chair, Mr. Southard was elected president pro tern of the Senate and served as such until his death, with occasional absence on account of his last illness. In person he was under the common height, stout built, expanded chest, dark hair falling carelessly over his neck, high, retreating forehead, eyes dark and piercing, long, straight nose, wide mouth, projecting chin. His manners, in private circles, were gentlemanly, courteous and easy. He was an accomplished scholar, and ranked with the finest speakers of the Senate. His voice was clear, musical, and full toned. His eloquence was of the impassioned, impressive character, sometimes lofty and sublime, often argumentative, always clear and distinct. He seldom took part in the small debates, never spoke without preparation, and was always heard by the Senate with marked attention. As a presiding officer Mr. Southard gave entire satisfaction, prompt, impartial in his decisions, courteous and pleasant to all. He was a great favorite in the body. As we saw him sinking under his protracted disease the sympathy of the whole body was enlisted. The circumstances of Mr. Southard were far from being easy; although millions had been subject to his control, not a misapplied dollar ever tarnished his fair fame. During the time I was with him in the Senate he made many able speeches upon important subjects. I never had any special conversation with him on the subject, but judging from one of his speeches on the land question, he was a strong American. I only knew him as a Whig.

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Under the rules of the Senate the president is authorized to substitute a presiding officer, day by day, in case of sickness. It was understood by the Senate that Mr. Southard desired the privilege of substituting a Senator to preside during his illness, and on the 22d. of April, 1842, I was requested by his son to visit his father in the room of the Vice-President. I found Mr. Southard lying on the sofa, very weak, barely able to rise. As I entered he made known his business, requested me to preside during his illness. I agreed to do so, the Senate consenting. He then handed me a note that he had prepared, which I copy here to show the form he adopted.

" Hon. O. H. Smith.

Dear Sir—Increased indisposition will prevent me from attending the meeting of the Senate this morning, and I therefore request, that you will perform the duties of the chair. Very respectfully

Washington, *April 22d.*, 1842. Samuel L. Southard."

The indisposition of Mr. Southard increased daily, and by similar appointments I continued to preside, with the approbation of the Senate, up to the 11th. of May, 1842, when I received my last note from him.

" Hon. O. H. Smith.

Dear Sir—Being worse indisposed than I was yesterday, I find that I am unable to attend the Senate this morning, and must therefore request that you will preside for the day. I am respectfully

Washington, *May 11th.*, 1842. Samuel L. Southard."

Mr. Southard passed rapidly away. His death was announced in both Houses, and appropriate ceremonies took place. I was present in the House of Representatives, when the melancholy announcement was made, and appropriate resolutions proposed by the Representatives of the State of New Jersey. The resolutions were read; when I saw rising from his seat the venerable form of John Quincy Adams, his head bald to his ears, his thin white hair scarcely covering the back of his head, addressing the chair. "I rise Mr. Speaker to second the resolutions:" his lips quivered, his tongue faltered, his voice failed, the tears trickled down his furrowed cheeks, he stood motionless like a statue : the House caught the feeling, and in a second there was not a dry eye in the Hall. Mr. Southard had been associated with Mr. Adams in both Monroe's and his own Cabinet, their friendship was deep and abiding. The rush of feeling passed off, Mr. Adams became composed, and delivered one of the most beautiful and thrilling addresses I ever heard; brief, sublime, beautiful, such a eulogy as none but Mr. Adams could conceive. Mr. Mangum was elected the successor of Mr. Southard, and acted as president pro tern until a Vice-President was elected and qualified.<sup>7</sup>



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<sup>7</sup> Smith, Oliver Hampton *Early Indiana Trials And Sketches: Reminiscences*, Google ebooks at [http://books.google.com/books?id=Ilo8AAAIAAJ&printsec=frontcover&dq=early+indiana+trails+and+sketches+by+oliver+hampton+smith&hl=en&ei=eGTTTfj\\_NsfngQe417Eu&sa=X&oi=book\\_result&ct=result&resnum=1&ved=0CCoQ6AEwAA#v=onepage&q=southard&f=false](http://books.google.com/books?id=Ilo8AAAIAAJ&printsec=frontcover&dq=early+indiana+trails+and+sketches+by+oliver+hampton+smith&hl=en&ei=eGTTTfj_NsfngQe417Eu&sa=X&oi=book_result&ct=result&resnum=1&ved=0CCoQ6AEwAA#v=onepage&q=southard&f=false) .

**THE DEVELOPMENT OF MAIL IN MORRIS COUNTY, 1760-1850**  
**Part III: Booneton, Rockaway, Washington, Mendham, Hanover, and Suckasunny**

**An Exhibit by Donald A. Chafetz**

This continues our series on Morris County postal history from 1760 to 1850, as shown in an exhibit by Donald Chafetz. For pre-Statehood covers and Morristown, we refer you to our last two issues, November 2010, Volume 38, No 4, Whole number **180**, and February 2011, Volume 38, No. 1, Whole number **181**.

These pages from Don's exhibit show other post offices in Morris County, presented in the order of their establishment, and are presented in their original form as an exhibit. This section begins with Bud's Valley, for which no post office was ever established. Also shown here are Booneton [est. 1797], Rockaway [est. 1792], Washington [est. 1802], Mendham [est. 1802], Hanover [est. 1806], and Suckasunny [est. 1808]. The covers are arranged in chronological order within each community.

Future issues will continue with other Morris County post offices.

**Statehood Period**

**1789 to Present**

**Buds Valley**

Dateline: November 7, 1794 Morristown, NJ  
Transit December 7, 1794 Ship to Philadelphia, PA  
To: Bud's Valley (west Morris County, NJ) ...

ship fee - 4 cents  
60 - 100 miles - 10 cents  
total - 14 cents



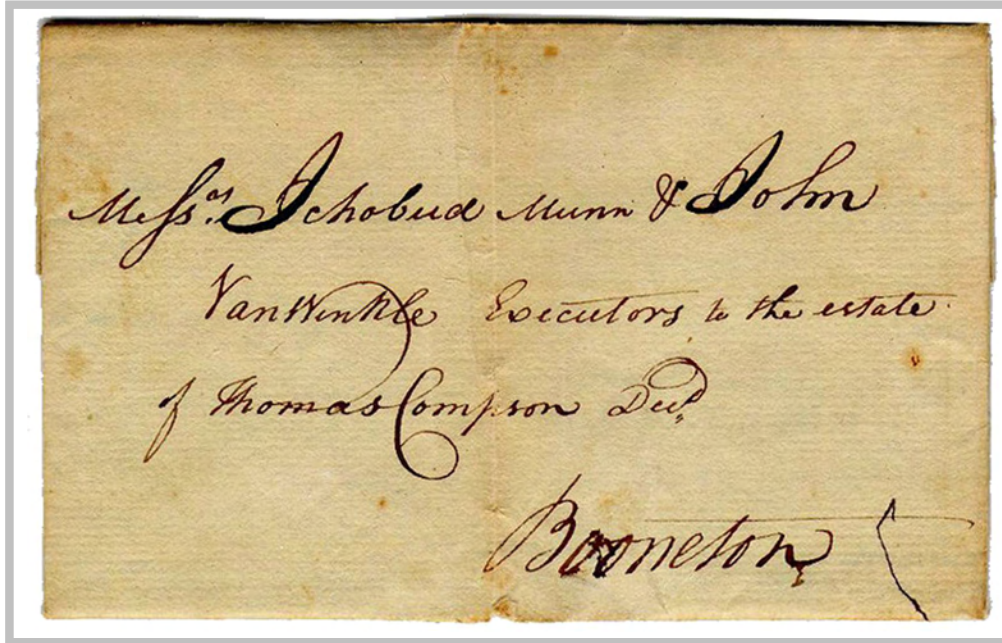
# Statehood Period

Established October 11, 1792

Booneton

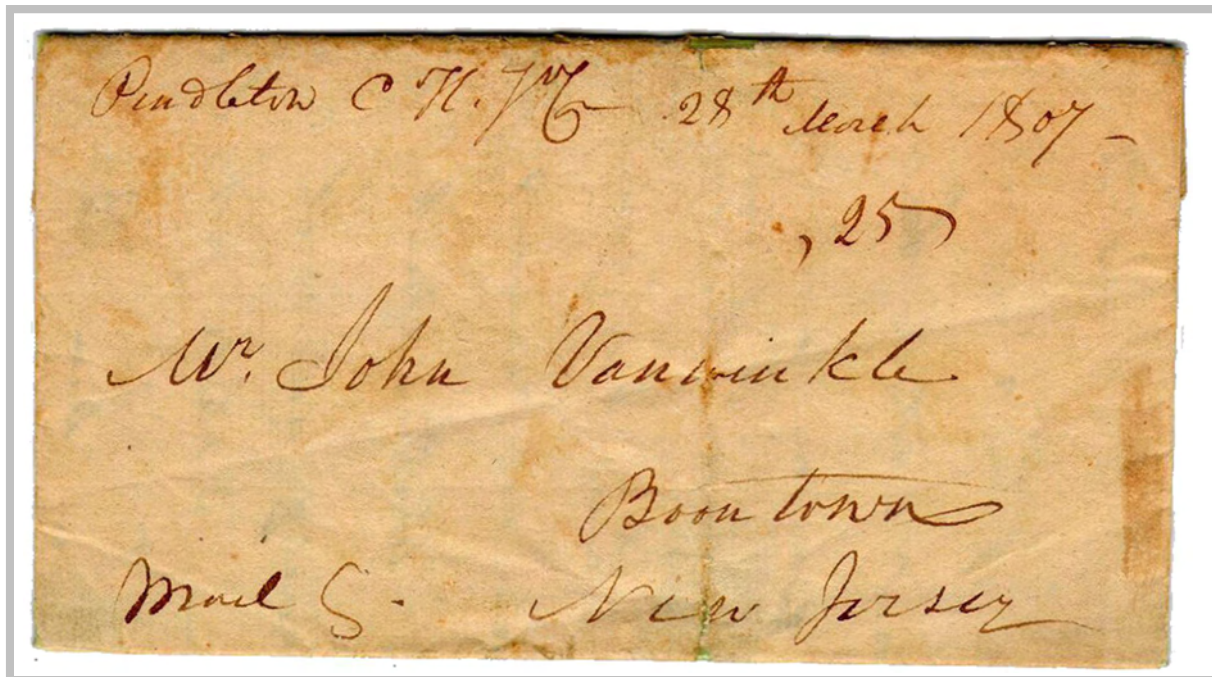
Postmark: April 19, 1797  
To: Booneton, NJ

Out of the mail



Manuscript: March 28, 1807 Pendleton C.H., KY  
To: Boontown, NJ

over 500 miles - 25 cents

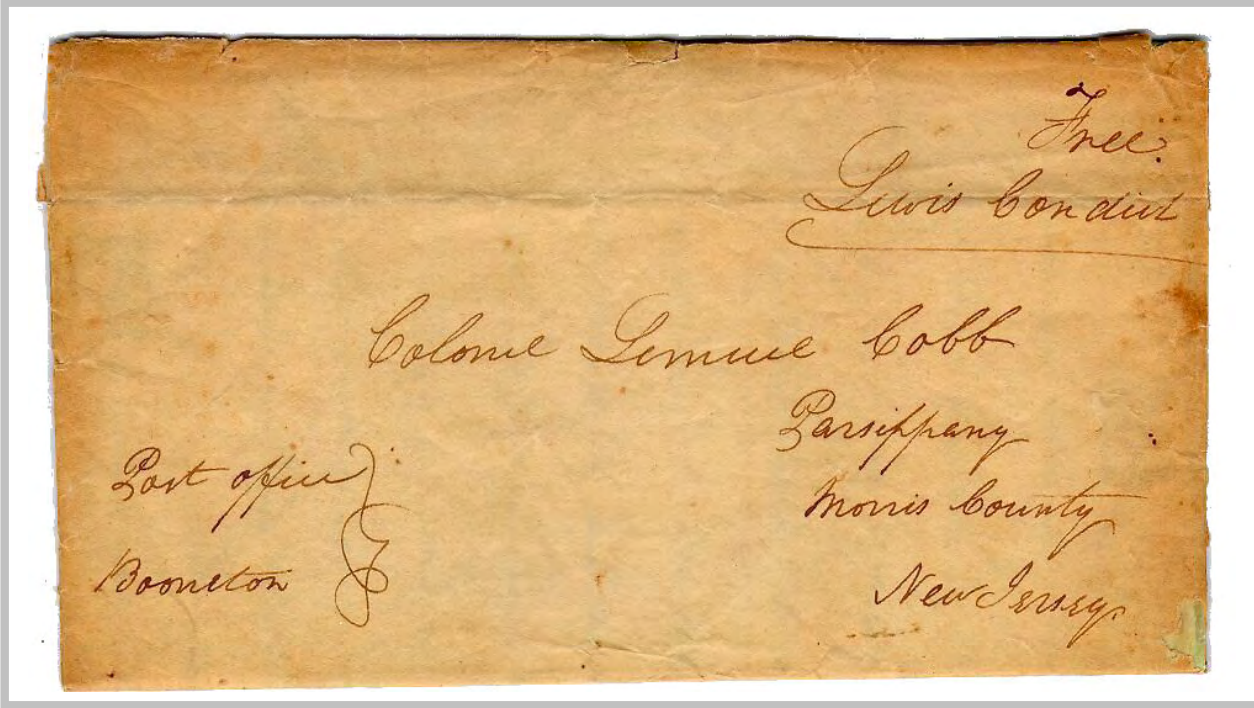


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Booneton

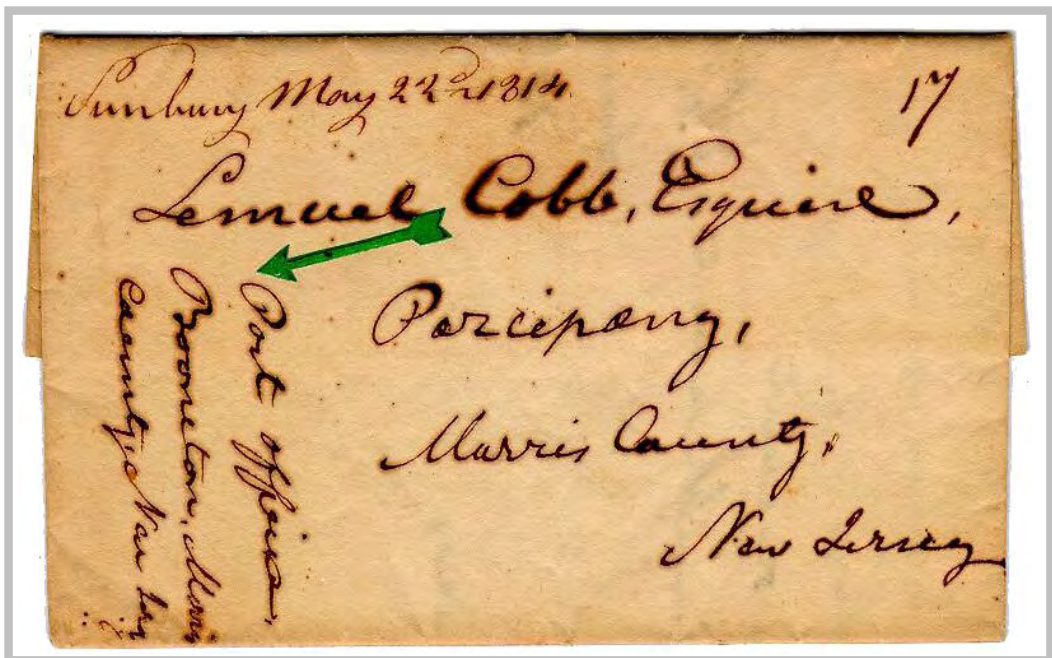
Dateline: February 9, 1814 Washington DC  
Via: Boonton, NJ  
To: Parsippany, NJ

sent by Congressman - Free



Manuscript: May 22, 1814 Sunbury, PA  
Via: Boontown, NJ  
To: Parsippany, NJ

150 - 300 miles - 17 cents





# Statehood Period

Booneton

Postmark: December 12, 1848  
To: New York, NY

Type B33 1848 - 1849 black  
under 300 miles - 5 cents



Dateline: May 15, 1850 Boonton  
To: New York, NY  
Local Handstamp:

Probably hand carried to New York  
Hanfords Pony Express Post, New York, NY  
fee - 2 cents

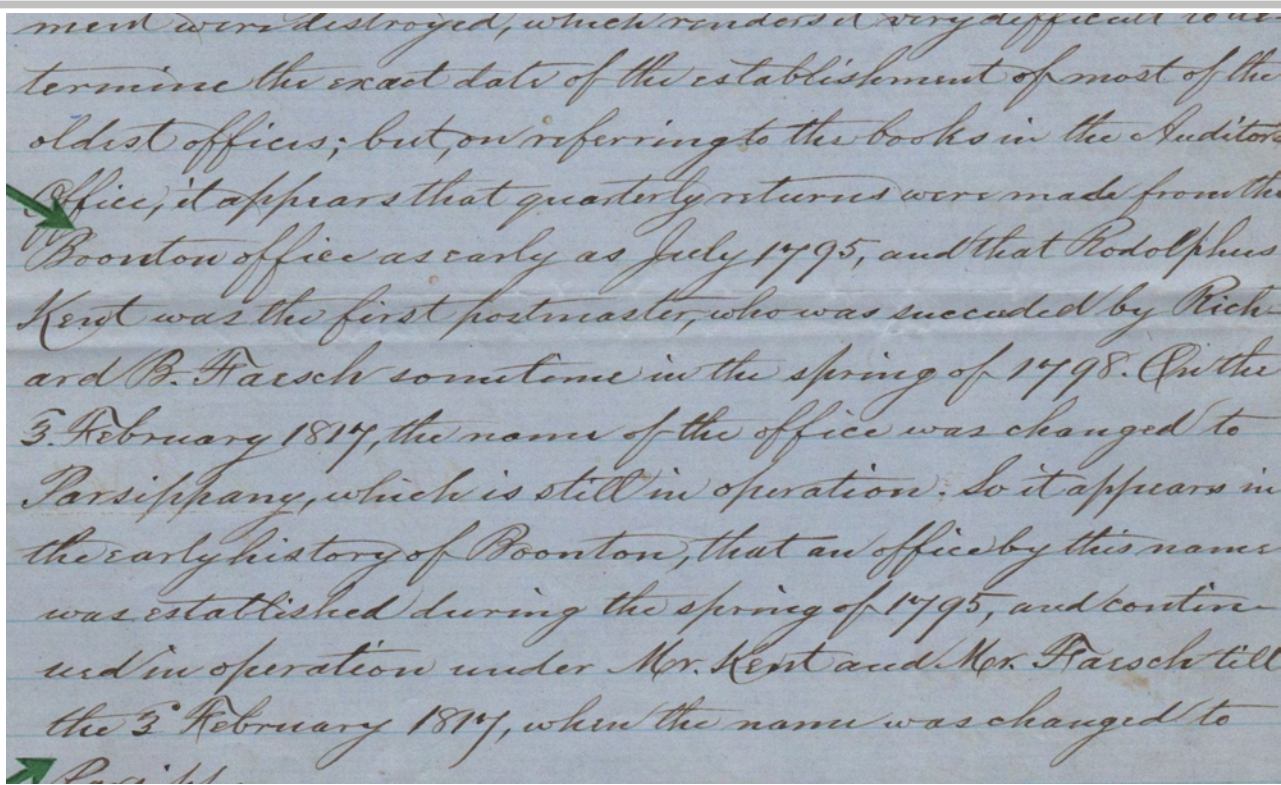
House number underlined indicating local post delivery



## Statehood Period

Booneton

Dateline: August 9, 1859 Post Office Dept. Washington, D.C.  
From: 1st Assistant Postmaster General  
History of Boonton Post Office

A snippet of a handwritten manuscript in cursive script, likely from a historical document. The text discusses the establishment of a post office in Boonton, New Jersey, in 1795, and its subsequent name change to Parsippany in 1817. The handwriting is in dark ink on aged paper. There are some green markings on the left side of the snippet, possibly from a scanner or a highlighter.

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termine the exact date of the establishment of most of the  
oldest offices; but, on referring to the books in the Auditor's  
Office, it appears that quarterly returns were made from the  
Boonton office as early as July 1795, and that Rodolphus  
Kent was the first postmaster, who was succeeded by Rich-  
ard B. Faesch sometime in the spring of 1798. On the  
3 February 1817, the name of the office was changed to  
Parsippany, which is still in operation. So it appears in  
the early history of Boonton, that an office by this name  
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# Statehood Period

Established June 12, 1792

Rockaway

Manuscript: June 9, 1826  
To: New York, NJ

Manuscript 1826 - 1844  
30 - 80 miles - 10 cents



Manuscript: November 2, 1838  
To: New Marlborough, MS

Manuscript 1826 - 1844  
150 - 400 miles - 18 3/4 cents

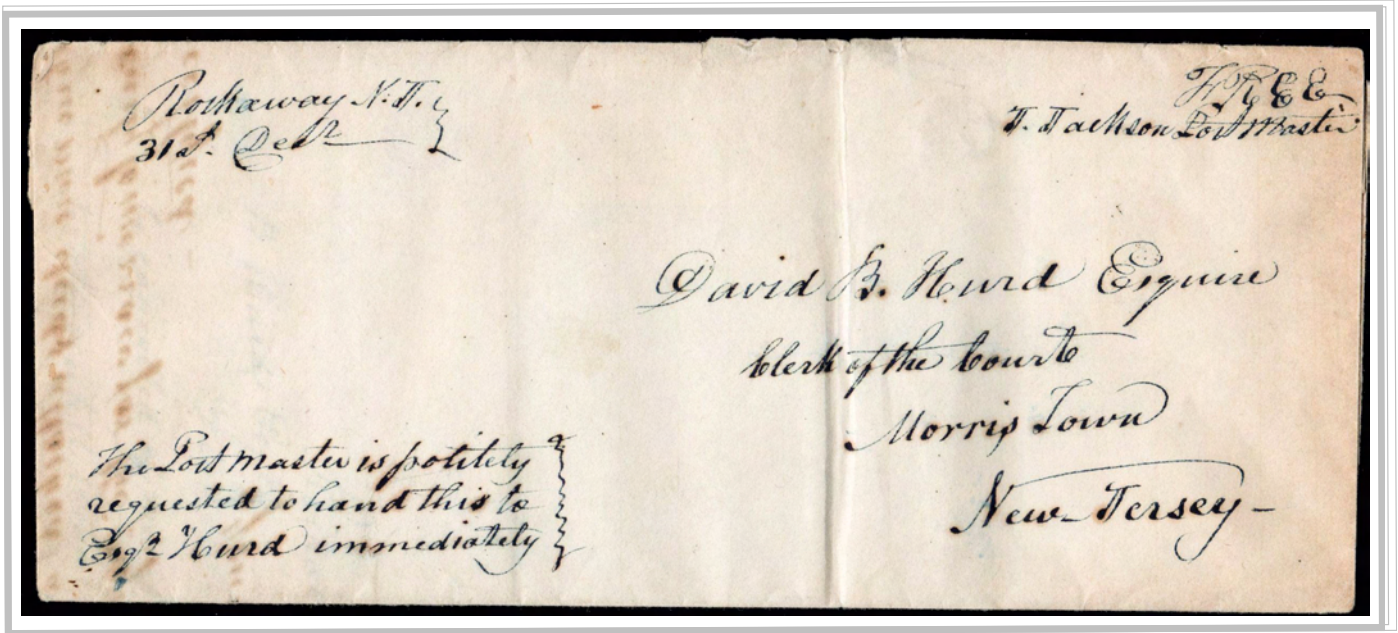


Statehood Period

Rockaway

Manuscript: December 31, 1841  
To: Morristown, NJ

Manuscript 1826 - 1844  
sent by Postmaster - Free



Postmark: December 20, 1848  
To: New York, NY  
Rockaway misspelled - ROUKAWAY

Type R20 1846 - 1853 red  
under 300 miles - 5 cents

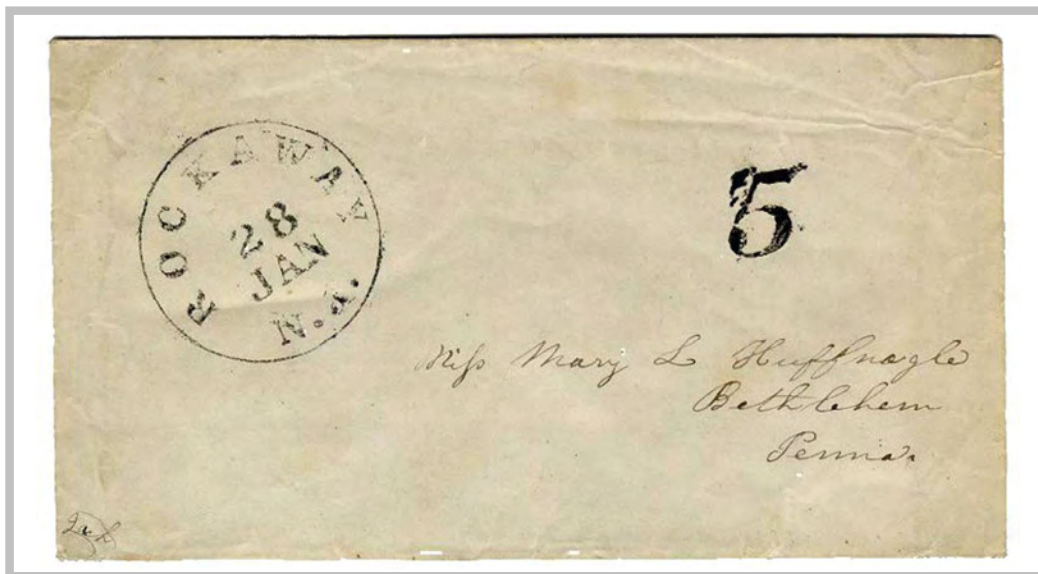


# Statehood Period

Rockaway / Washington

Manuscript: January 28  
To: Bethlehem, PA

R21 1845 - 1851 black  
under 300 miles - 5 cents



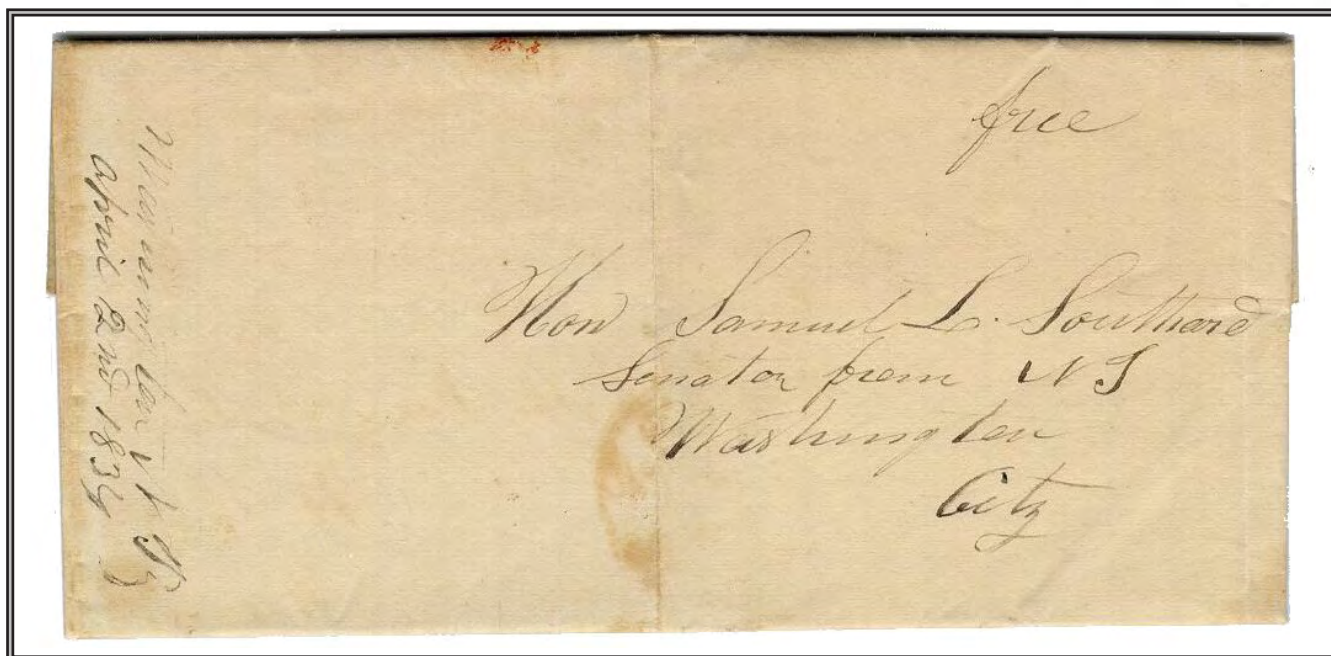
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Established September 5, 1802 - October 23, 1840

Washington

Manuscript: April 2, 1834  
To: Washington City, D.C.

Manuscript 1834  
Sent by Member of Congress - Free



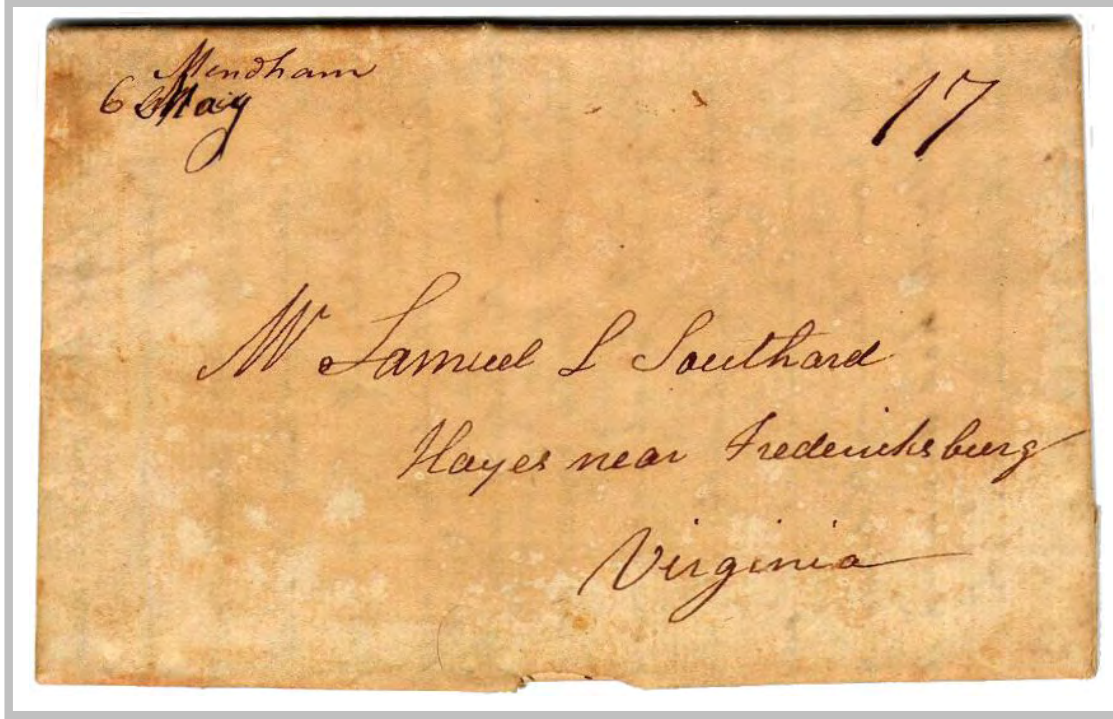
Statehood Period

Mendham

Manuscript 1807 - 1843  
150 - 300 Miles - 17 cents

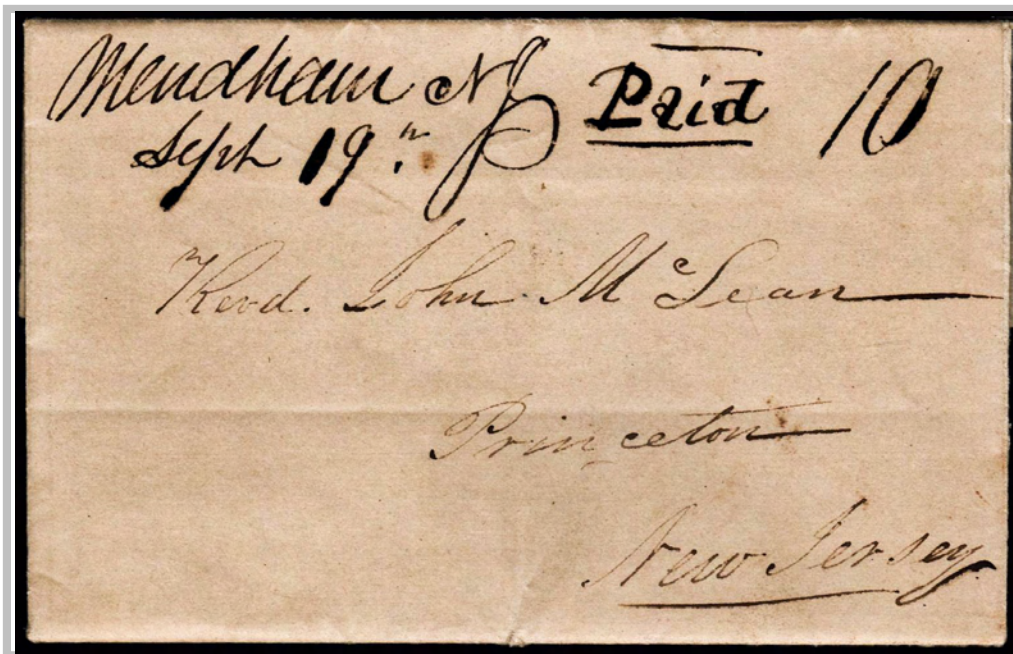


Manuscript: May 6, 1808  
To: Hayes near Fredericksburg, VA



Manuscript: September 19, 1839  
To: Princeton, NJ

Manuscript 1807 - 1843  
30 - 80 miles - 10 cents



# Statehood Period

Mendham

Postmark: October 23, 1841  
To: Washington City D.C.

Type M24 1837 - 1842 green  
150 - 400 miles - 18 3/4 cents



Postmark: November 16, 1843  
Via: Newark, NJ  
To: Parsippany, NJ

Type M24 1837 - 1851 black  
not over 30 miles - 6 cents



# Statehood Period

Mendham

Postmark: July 19  
To: Bloomfield, NJ  
new rate marking - 5 cents green

Type M24 1837 - 1842 green  
under 300 miles - 5 cents



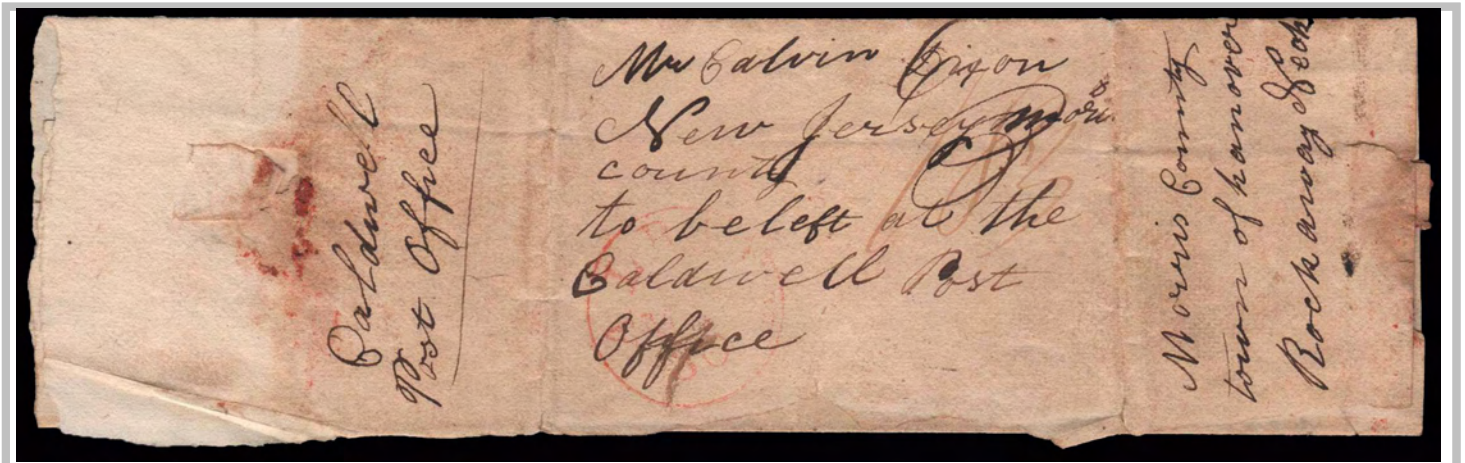
# Statehood Period

Hanover

Established January 6, 1806 - April 4, 1863

Private carriage to Caldwell Post Office  
Postmark: May 30 Calwell  
To: Rockaway Neck, Town of Hanover, NJ

150 - 400 miles - 18 3/4 cents





# Statehood Period

Hanover

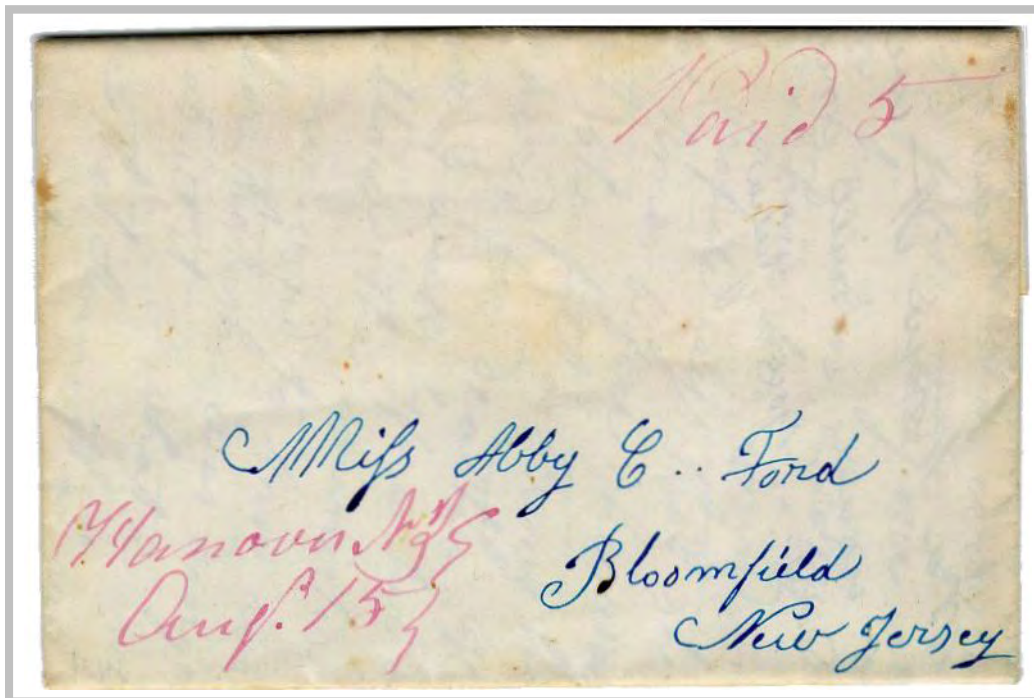
Postmark: March 16, 1827  
To: New York, NY

Manuscript 1827 - 1846  
not over 30 miles - 6 cents



Postmark: August 15, 1846  
To: Bloomfield, NJ

Manuscript 1827 - 1846  
under 300 miles - 5 cents



# Statehood Period

Suckasunny

Established January 30, 1808 - June 1, 1888

Dateline: September 2, 1806  
To: Parsippany, NJ

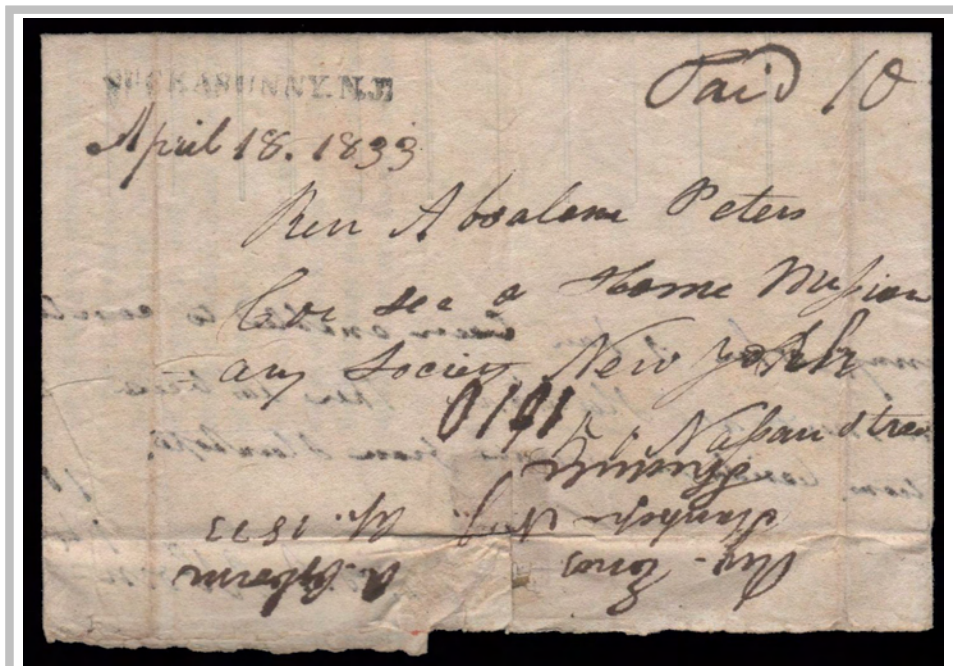
out of the mail



Postmark: April 18, 1833  
To: New York, NY

Type S53 1832 - 1833 straight line black  
30 - 80 miles - 10 cents

**SUCKASUNNY. N. J.**



# Statehood Period

Suckasunny

Postmark: July 21, 1840  
To: Woodbury, Conn.

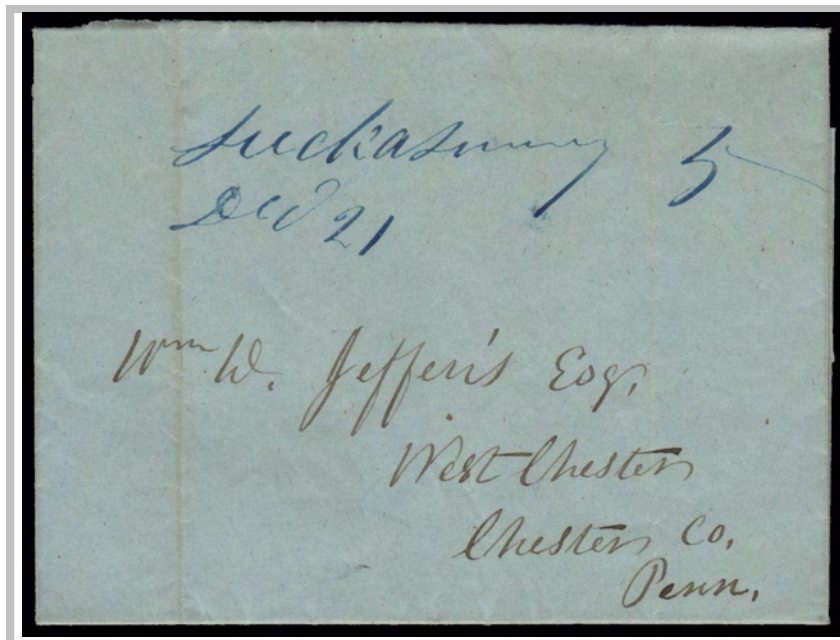
Type S53 1839 - 1847 straight line red  
80 - 150 miles - 12 ½ cents

SUCKASUNNY. N. J.



Manuscript: December 21, 1847  
To: West Chester, PA

Manuscript 1825 - 1847  
under 300 miles - 5 cents



# Statehood Period

Suckasunny

Manuscript: November 11  
To: Parsippany, NJ

Manuscript 1825 - 1847



## HOMETOWN POST OFFICES: Fanwood, NJ

By Doug D'Avino

The borough of Fanwood, incorporated in 1895, is 20 miles southwest of New York City, surrounded on three sides by Scotch Plains in Union County. The first Fanwood Post Office was built around 1897 by the Central Jersey Land Improvement Company, and then donated to the borough. This building, shown below, still stands on the southeast corner of Martine and North Avenues. The building served as post office and library until 1928, at which time the post office moved to South Avenue, west of Martine Avenue. The first postmaster (PM) was Carrie Bettman (pictured below), a former school teacher, better known to all as "Aunt" Carrie. She served not only as PM, but was also the borough's first librarian.

The postcard below was mailed by Carrie Bettman to friends in Ocean Grove. However, read the text, then look again at the back of the postcard: *Kind friends, Already have I donned my office garb and am at work stamping mail. Louise goes at 6-30 tomorrow with Clarence to the lake. Love, Carrie Bettman.* She may have been "at work stamping mail," but she seems to have missed this one - no postmark!!



*Fig. 1: The Fanwood post office was designed in the unique Richardsonian Romanesque architectural style, named after Henry Hobson Richardson.*

*Fig. 2: Message side of post card with no postmark!*



*Carrie Bettman*

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**MEMBER NEWS**

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**NOJEX & Annual Meeting:**

**PLEASE NOTE:** Our Annual meeting will be held at the NOJEX show on May 30, Sunday – at 12 noon. **PLEASE COME!** As a Society, we do not have an opportunity to interact with each other often, and it would a great thing to have as many members there as possible. Bring your ideas, complaints, and enthusiasm for NJ postal history. This year, Richard Micchelli will give a talk on New Jersey Civil War covers to commemorate the Sesquicentennial of the Civil War. We think you will find it interesting. See you there?

**WEB SITE UPDATES:**

Warren is currently under the weather, so I thought I would take this opportunity to draw your attention to our web site and how it continues to grow. If you go to the Galleries page, you will see the addition of the fine collection of Robert Livingston's stampless covers from the correspondence of Caleb Valentine. These covers include many nice New Jersey markings, both manuscript and handstamps, which we hope you will enjoy. Warren has done a fine job turning our web site into a source of information. Besides this member exhibit, there is also Doug D'Avino's exhibit of NJ post offices on post cards, and our own Society Stage Mail exhibit, as well as a nice gallery of New Jersey Advertising covers. Should you want to contribute an exhibit of your own, or add to the society exhibits, please contact Warren directly at [Webmaster@NJPostalHistory.org](mailto:Webmaster@NJPostalHistory.org). Remember that older journals are also available to you directly from the web site, with an index provided to find specific topics of interest. Our online library includes a number of articles which you might find interesting. We are grateful to Warren for his great work!

**JOURNAL PLEA!** As always, articles are needed for the journal. This issue, for example, is far too weighted to older material. We like to keep a nice mix of older and more modern material, but we can only print what our members produce. Please contribute! Your help is needed!

**OBITUARY**

FRANCIS E.W. OGLE passed away on Tuesday, January 4, 2011 at his home in Medford, NJ. He was 71 years of age. Born in Union Bridge, MD, he resided in Medford, NJ for the past 30 yrs., moving there from Marlton, NJ. A retired Engineer with Lockheed-Martin in Moorestown, NJ, he worked there from 1968 to 2006 and was involved with the AEGIS project. He was a graduate of Muhlenberg College in Allentown, PA and Monmouth University in NJ. He was an active member of the Correspondence Chess League of America, the Int'l Correspondence Chess Federation and the NJ, MD & PA Postal History Societies. He was also a veteran of the US Navy. He recently came back to NJPHS after a hiatus of several years, and became one of our electronic members, with an interest in stampless covers, especially manuscripts. We will miss him.

**WELCOME TO NEW MEMBER:**

Valerie Sanford, 658 NW 82<sup>nd</sup> Street, Seattle, WA 98117, [valsanford@mac.com](mailto:valsanford@mac.com)

**GOODBYE TO OLD FRIENDS:**

Francis E. W. Ogle, 7 Meadow Wood Court, Medford, NJ, 08055-9224

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Always interested in **CORRESPONDENCE TO/FROM OCEANPORT** as well as anything between Portugal, its colonies and N.J. Contact me by mail at Steve Washburne, P.O. Box 43146 Phila. PA 19129 or email [Stevewashburne@gmail.com](mailto:Stevewashburne@gmail.com)

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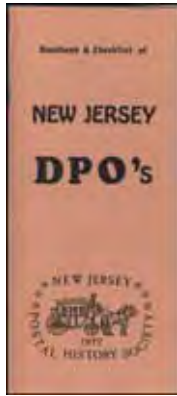
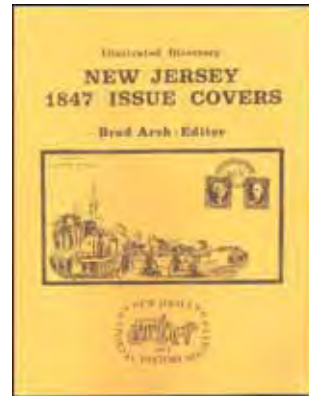


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