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Can you date it?



A beardless Abraham Lincoln cameo on a campaign cover with a Hoboken, NJ postmark. This cover was in a Robert A. Siegel Auction, from the David L. Jarrett Collection of Propaganda Covers, held on March 25, 2009.

The February 2009 Issue of the NJPH Journal featured a Lincoln cameo campaign cover. A December 15 [1860] Hoboken, NJ postmarked Embossed Cameo Campaign Envelope produced by William Eaves was offered March 2009 by Robert A. Siegel Auctions featuring a beardless Abe Lincoln. Only a few examples are known. This Hoboken, NJ cover hammered on March 25, 2009 for \$2600.00 before the 15% buyers premium!

This lovely Hoboken, New Jersey cover was part of a Robert Siegel sale of the David L. Jarrett Collection, in 2009, lot #190. See this link for the many wonderful Lincoln covers:

<https://siegelauctions.com/2009/970/970.pdf>

The Beardless Lincoln Designs – from the Electoral Campaign of 1860 - begin on page 99 of that Siegel auction catalogue. This cover is on page 113, and sold for \$2600.00.

The apocryphal story is that an 11 year old girl named Grace Bedell suggested to Lincoln shortly before the 1860 election that he grow a beard to help himself get elected, It appears he took her advice.