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AN INTRODUCTION TO LONG ISLAND HISTORY
IN NASSAU AND SUFFOLK COUNTIES

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A LONG ISLAND CHRONOLOGY

- 1524 First recorded sighting of Long Island by Giovanni Verrazano
- 1614 Adrian Block, Dutch Trader-explorer, lands at Montauk
- 1636 Long Island granted to Lord Sterling by English Crown
- 1639 Lion Gardiner first European inhabitant on Isle of Wight now known as Gardiner's Island
- 1640 Towns of Southold and Southampton, oldest towns in State of New York settled
- 1643 First Europeans to settle permanently in Nassau County area. They comprised a small group of Englishmen from Connecticut seeking religious freedom. This group established the Hempstead settlement.
- 1644 Hempstead granted patent from Dutch authorities
- 1648 East Hampton founded
- 1650 Suffolk County area first set apart from westerly end of island as English territory by treaty between New England and New Netherlands
- 1652 Shelter Island settled
- 1653 Huntington founded!
Oyster Bay settled
- 1655 Town of Brookhaven founded
- 1664 English fleet captures New Amsterdam from the Dutch. New Netherlands becomes English colony of New York. Long Island completely under English rule for first time.
- 1665 Richard Smythe obtains patent for land to become town of Smithtown
- 1673 Dutch reconquer and claim all Long Island
- 1674 Island returns to jurisdiction of English
- 1683 New York Colony divides into counties. Nassau area included in County of Queens - Suffolk County established

- 1699 Capt. William Kidd buries treasure on Gardiner's Island. Later recovered by authorities
- 1707 Sag Harbor first used by whale ships
- 1710 Islip town established
- 1770 First Sons of Liberty organized to oppose British taxes
- 1775 Delegates elected to Continental Congress
- Northern areas of Hempstead declare their independence from Township, principally because of resentment over Loyalist strength in southern areas.
- 1776 British establish military occupation over Long Island after the defeat of American forces in Battle of Long Island
- William Floyd of Mastic signs Declaration of Independence
- 1783 British evacuate Island at wars end
- 1784 Sag Harbor becomes state's first port of entry
- Division of Town of Hempstead formalized by Act of State legislature. Town of North Hempstead officially created. Remainder of town called South Hempstead.
- 1791 Long Island Herald, Island's first newspaper founded at Sag Harbor.
- 1792 Town of Riverhead created from Southold town's west end
- 1796 States first coastal lighthouse completed at Montauk
- 1801 South Hempstead changed name back to Hempstead
- 1815 Christmas blizzard - most devastating in history
- 1816 Year without a summer, no crops grown
- 1819 Walt Whitman born at West Hills, Huntington
- 1824 Island's first history by Silas Wood, native of Huntington
- 1837 Railroad service begins to Hicksville

- 1842 First Queens County Agricultural Fair, at Hempstead
- 1844 First through rail service to Greenport
- 1845 Sag Harbor's most disastrous fire
- 1847 Whaling's "Million Dollar Year"
- 1849 Shinnecocks moved from Canoe Place to present reservation
- 1869 First serious attempt to form a new county independent of Queens
- 1872 Town of Babylon created from southern part of Huntington Town
- 1876 Island's first bank Southold savings founded
- 1886 Huntington Town annexes Lloyd Neck from Oyster Bay Town
- 1898 City of Greater New York established, including the western towns of Queens. Three eastern towns still part of Queens County, but not part of New York City. Legislation introduced and passed authorizing the creation of Nassau County
- 1899 Nassau County officially established. (January 1, 1899)
- 1927 Charles A. Lindberg makes first non-stop flight to Paris from Roosevelt Field
- 1945 Great post-war suburban development Long Island begins

TOWNS OF THE BI-COUNTY AREA

NASSAU COUNTY -

OYSTER BAY

HEMPSTEAD

NORTH HEMPSTEAD

SUFFOLK COUNTY -

BABYLON

BROOKHAVEN

EAST HAMPTON

ISLIP

HUNTINGTON

RIVERHEAD

SHELTER ISLAND

SMITHTOWN

SOUTHAMPTON

SOUTHOLD

LONG ISLAND BIBLIOGRAPHY

The following list of sources may be helpful for Long Island historical research. Resources available at the Stony Brook University Libraries are emphasized. Many existing histories of the Long Island area are included, although much grist remains for the mill of those wishing to make their own way rather than retracing the adventures of others. The would-be local historian is advised to read Donald Dean Parker's Local history, how to gather it, write it and publish it (New York, Social Science Research Council, 1944. 186 p.) (Main E 175.7 p 3). Parker's comments on the use of public records are particularly helpful.

Stony Brook library locations have been indicated after titles in parentheses: Ref - Main library Reference, Main - Main library stacks, SPEC - Special Collections Main Library - all microform designations - Microform section, Main library.

ACCESS TO LOCAL HISTORY SOURCES

LOCAL HISTORY - GENERAL

U.S. Library of Congress. United States local histories in the Library of Congress. A bibliography edited by Marion J. Kaminkow. 1975 5v. (Ref E 180. U54)

Book list arranged by Library of Congress Classification. Copy of New York F Schedule located in v.1 follows p. 734. Most pertinent materials are located under F 127 under "regions, countries, etc." as Long Island, Nassau, Queens (for early Nassau) and Suffolk Counties. Towns are listed by name under F 129 and headings may also be located via the index. This compilation is valuable because it is relatively recent and may also serve as a guide to books as arranged on the shelves for libraries using L.C. Classification (which Stony Brook does).

New York (City) Public Library. Local History and
Genealogy Division. Dictionary catalog. Boston: G.K.
Hall, 1974. 18v. (Ref Z1250 .N5)

_____. United States local history catalog; a modified
shelf list arranged alphabetically by locality within
each state. Boston: G.K. Hall, 1974. 2v.

(Ref Z1250 .N52)

Generally more comprehensive than the previous
L.C. bibliography as it includes many titles of
relatively local distribution and production. Access
to materials is most adequately provided via author,
title, subject and locality arrangements.

LOCAL HISTORY - NEW YORK - LONG ISLAND

Nestler, Harold. A bibliography of New York State
communities, counties, towns, villages. Port Washington,
N.Y.: J. J. Friedman, 1968. lv. (unpaged)

~~(Ref Z1317 .N45)~~
REF F119. N45

Copy also in MICRO).

Covers books and pamphlets published through 1965.
Histories of churches, businesses, organizations,
military units, gazetteers and directories are for
the most part not included. Arranged by counties.

Sealock, Richard B. and Pauline A. Seely. Long Island
bibliography. Baltimore, MD: Edwards Bros., 1940.

(Ref F127.18 S44)

The most comprehensive bibliography devoted to
the subject, although now dated. Bibliography is
organized by broad subjects or type of material,
including any author and name index. Libraries
most thoroughly examined were: Queens Borough Public
Library, Long Island Historical Society, Brooklyn
Public Library, New York Public, Smithtown Library,

Library of Congress and Huntington Historical Society Library. Additionally other libraries were consulted for subjects as the Engineering Societies Library and American Antiquarian Society for newspapers. An important feature also is the indication of libraries holding the materials cited.

New York (State) Office of State History.

Research and publications in New York State history.

1968/69 - (Main Z1317.A35 non-circulating)

Annual listing organized by subjects. Categories are not too specific, but publication is brief and can be perused.

Horne, Joan. Bibliography of materials about the history of Nassau County, New York published from 1940-1968.

Masters Disseration, Long Island University, 1969 copies distributed by Nassau County Library System. 50 p.

(Ref F127.N2 H6)

Includes books, pamphlets, and nonprint material. Inclusion of material is based on availability in Nassau Library System and Nassau County Historical Museum Library. Annotations given indicate grade level, scope of item considered and location keys for noncirculating materials. Useful, not exclusively for Nassau materials, as many entries include Long Island more generally.

Parker, Ted F. and Virginia Parker. Local government in New York State during the Dutch Period. Albany, N.Y., Government Affairs Foundation, 1968. 41 p.

~~(Ref Z7165.U6 N64)~~
REF. F119.P38

Annotated bibliography covering approximate period 1609-1664. Includes books and articles. Arranged alphabetically with subject index. Brief but to the point.

ACCESS TO ARTICLES

Writings on American History, 1902 - 1960

(Ref E171 W7)

Has cumulated index 1902-1940 and annual indexes 1948-1960. Short abstracts to books and articles arranged by broad subjects and regions. Also accessed via index, more specific subjects as Long Island in indexes. Cumulated index has a wealth of material on Long Island.

1962/63 - Publication changed to include only articles, an indexed listing without abstracts.

America: history and life. July 1964 - Section A.

Abstracts of articles are arranged by general subjects and regions. New York is included in Northeastern or North Atlantic States. Annual subject index is also issued. Section B. Index to book reviews by author. Section C. Bibliography including books, articles and dissertations.

Journals of particular use to Long Island historical studies.

For exact holdings see Public Serials File, Main Library Reference Department.

Journal of Long Island history v.1 - 1961 - Long Island

Historical Society, Brooklyn. (Main F127.L8 J75)

Long Island courant v.1-3, 1965-1967 Society for the

Preservation of Long Island Antiquities, Setauket, N.Y.

(Main F127.L8 L72)

Long Island Forum. v.1 - 1938 - Friends of Nassau County

Museum, Amityville, N.Y. (Main F127.L8 L73)

Popular approach, but the liveliest publication devoted to the subject. Volume 30 has index to first 30 volumes.

Nassau County historical Society. Journal v.1 - 1937 -
(SPEC F127.N2 N32)

New York State Historical Association. New York History,
v.1 - 1919 - (Main F116.N865)

New York Genealogical and biographical record, v.1 - 1871 -
(Main F116.N28)

Good for histories of families. Each annual
volume has index of names.

New York Historical Society. Quarterly v.1 - 1971 -
(Main F116.N638)

Society for the Preservation of Long Island Antiquities.
Preservation notes v.1 - 1965 (SPEC F127.L8 S6)

ACCESS TO NEWSPAPERS

Comprehensive indexes to articles in newspapers
are few. At Stony Brook the only indexed newspaper
covering the Long Island area held at Stony Brook is
the NEW YORK TIMES (Microfilm A7). Indexes and a
complete file of microfilm dating back to September
18, 1851 are available in the Microform section,
Main Library.

Newsday (Suffolk edition) July 17, 1944 - Garden City, N.Y.
Available complete to date. 1977- (Microfilm A2)
~~no~~ Printed index available. Newsday library will
answer telephone inquiries of reasonable length.

Other newspapers from Long Island available at Stony Brook
listed by locality are:

FARMINGDALE - Long Island Headlight 1872 - Feb. 27, 1875;
have Nov. 1873-1875. (Microfilm 192)

HEMPSTEAD - Hempstead Sentinel June 3, 1858-Jan. 27, 1949
Title varies. Queens County Sentinel, 1858-June 1899.
Some issues missing. (Microfilm A30)

HUNTINGTON - Long Islander June 5, 1838 - Have July 12, 1839 -
Dec. 25, 1936 (Microfilm A252)

JAMAICA - Long Island Press 1889-Mar. 25, 1977. Have
1970 - Mar. 25, 1977 (Microfilm A265)

PORT JEFFERSON - Independent Press

August 17, 1865 - Aug. 1874. Scattered issues (Microfilm 193)
 Long Island Leader April 12, 1873-1881. Some issues missing
 (Microfilm 192)

Long Island Newsletter. Feb. 22, 1884-1889. Scattered
 issues (Microfilm 192)

Long Island Star 1866-1870. Have Sept. 13, 1867, July 3, 1868 -
 Aug. 17, 1870 with some missing (Microfilm 193)

Port Jefferson Times. Dec. 14, 1878 - Nov. 4, 1966.

Incomplete.

SAYVILLE - Suffolk County News 1885 - Have 1888 - July 10, 1942.

STONY BROOK - Three Village Herald - July 16, 1954. Have
 1954 - Jan. 1, 1975

For newspapers of other Long Island localities and further
 holdings consult:

Sealock and Seely. Long Island bibliography (see previous
 section). History only with 1940 but still the
 comprehensive historical list prior that date

Nassau County Historical Museum. A Catalog of Long Island
 newspapers on microfilm. Mineola, N.Y. 1970. 12 p.
 (Ref Z6952.L5N3 copy also in MICRO). Good but also
 becoming dated. Stony Brook holdings not indicated.

Nassau-Suffolk Union List of serials, (Ref Z6945.L6 1975
 copy at reference desk).

Includes most newspapers. Holdings more current.

PRIMARY SOURCES

GUIDES AND AIDS TO THEIR USE

Breton, Arthur J. A guide to the manuscript collections of
 New York Historical Society. Westport, CT, Greenwood,
 1972. (Ref CD 3409.N5B74)

Guide to manuscript depositories in New York City. New York,
 Works Projects Administration, 1941 (Ref CD 3409 N5 A25)

Very dated, but description of Long Island
 Historical Society collections is more specific
 than other guides.

Long Island archives and manuscripts repositories, guide and bibliography. Compiled by Evert Volkersz, Stony Brook University Libraries Special Collections Librarian. publication in progress.

Collections are described and photocopying policies are indicated. No present publication provides such comprehensive coverage for the numerous local collections on Long Island.

Stammons, John D. The United States census compendium; a directory of census records, tax lists, pool lists, petitions, directories, etc. which can be used as a census. Logan, Utah, Eberon Publ, 1973. 144 p.

Locations of census materials is given for states, counties, towns.

Block, Julius and others. Seventeenth century Dutch records relating to Long Island. (In Journal of Long Island history) Part 1 v.3 no.1 (1963) p. 1-18; Part 2 v.4 no. 4 (1964) p. 16-39.
Part 1 covers 1638-41
Part 2 covers 1642-47

(Main F 127.L8 J75)

Historical Record Survey. New York (State) Guide to public vital statistics. 1942 3v. v.1 Births, v.2 Marriages, Town v. 3. Deaths.

Records by county, town and village locations. Introduction gives history of record keeping in New York State.

New York (State) Division of Archives and History.

Historical account and inventory of the records of Suffolk County, 1921 34p. (SPEC CD3407.58 A5 1921)

Rife, C.W. Land Tenure in New Netherlands.
(In Essays in colonial history presented to McLean Andrews by his students, New Haven, Yale University Press, 1931. 345p.)

A discussion of the relationship between the government and such legal instruments as deeds, leases, patents, etc. Attention is paid to the variations in procedure found in the Dutch and English towns of Long Island. Land taxation also discussed.

PRIMARY SOURCES - LONG ISLAND

U.S. CENSUS DATA

U.S. Census data, Manuscript form
 New York (general) 1790
 Queens County 1800 - 1880
 Suffolk County 1800 - 1890
 (Available in Microform section)
 gives names of persons counted

For published census material issued by U.S. Census Office and the later Bureau of the Census see U.S. Bureau of the Census. Catalog of publications, ask for annotated copy in Government Documents Section (Doc 27554.U5 U32)

COLONIAL DOCUMENTS

Documents relative to the colonial history of the State of New York. Albany, Weed, Parsons, 1853-87 15v.
 (Main X F 122. D66)
 v. 14 Contains documents relative to the early colonial settlements principally on Long Island.

The following title is based on the above:

O'Callaghan, E.B. Documentary history of the State of New York. Albany, Weed, Parsons, 1849-54. 4 v. (SPEC X F122.D63)

Kaminkow's U.S. Local histories in the Library of Congress contains a table of contents to these volumes.

Institute for Colonial Studies microfilm collection, Available in Microform Section. See reel guide (MICRO Z 1237.N5)

This collection contains early Suffolk County records, tax lists, etc., including early documents from Southold, Southampton, Easthampton, Huntington, Shelter Island, Sag Harbor and Manor of St. George.

Van Wyck, Frederick. Select patents of towns and manors. Boston, Beauchamp, 1938. 120 p. (MAIN F122.V32)

Includes texts of patents from Brookhaven, Huntington, Southampton, Manor St. George (Mastic area).

Pelletreau, William S. Early Long Island wills of Suffolk County, 1691-1703. New York, Harper, 1897. 301 p.
(SPEC F127 S9 P3)

An unabridged copy of the manuscript volume known as "the Lester wills book," being the record of the Prerogative court of Suffolk. Genealogical and historical notes added by Pelletreau.

PRIMARY SOURCES - THE TOWNS OF HEMPSTEAD, NORTH HEMPSTEAD

Hempstead, N.Y. Records of the Towns of North and South Hempstead, Long Island, N.Y. 1654-1880. Edited by Benjamin D. Hicks. Jamaica, N.Y., Long Island Farmer, 1896-1904. 8 v.
(Main F129.H4 H36)

South Hempstead now known as Hempstead.

BROOKHAVEN

Brookhaven, N.Y. Records of the town of Brookhaven... Published by order of the trustees of the freeholders and commonality of the town. Transcription copy by William J. Weeks and others. New York, Derrydale, 1930-32, 3v.
(Ref F129.B6 B93)

Book A 1657-1679,
Book B 1679-1756,
Book C 1687-1789.

Brookhaven, N.Y. Records of the Town of Brookhaven, Suffolk County, N.Y.... Copied from the original records, in their order under the direction of the supervisor and justices of the peace, and pub. by the authority of the town, Patchogue, N.Y., Advance, 1880-93. 3v.
(SPEC F129 B6 B9)

V. 1 1655-1798
V. 2 1798-1856
V. 3 1856-1885

EAST HAMPTON

East Hampton, N.Y. Trustees of Free holders and Commonalty, Journal of the Trustees... 1926-27 7 v. (Main F129.E13 E2)
volumes cover 1725-1925

HUNTINGTON, BABYLON

Huntington, N.Y. Huntington town records including Babylon, Long Island, N.Y. Huntington, N.Y., Long Islander. 1887-89 3 v. (MAIN F129.H9 H9)

- v. 1 1653-1688
- v. 2 1688-1775
- v. 3 1776-1873 missing

Babylon was part of Huntington until 1872.

RIVERHEAD

Riverhead, N.Y. Riverhead Town records 1792-1886, Edited by Arthur Channing Downs, Jr. Huntington, N.Y., Long Islander, 1967. 846 p. (MAIN F129.R6 A57)

SMITHTOWN

Smithtown, N.Y. Records of the Town of Smithtown, Long Island, N.Y. with other ancient documents of historic value. Notes and introduction by William Pelletreau. Huntington, Long Islander, 1898, 503 p. (SPEC F129.S69 S6)

DIRECTORIES

Stony Brook's collection is not strong in this area. Holdings are only for relatively current directories of the Long Island area. Sealock and Seely's Long Island bibliography contains an excellent section of directories.

Long Island society register 1926/67 -
(have 1929 only Main F127.L8 A182)

New York civil list, containing the names and origins of the civil divisions, and the names and dates of elections or appointment of the principal state and county officers...
1855 - Albany
(have 1865 and 1886 only Main JK 343.1 .N4)

volumes give contemporary and retrospective coverage.

Nassau County Planning Commission. Nassau County data book.
(Ref F127.N2N3 1974 available at Reference desk)

Current information on county government officials, statistics, services. Also history chapter containing brief county history, chronology of major events and landmarks.

Suffolk County, N.Y. Planning Commission
County Catalog. 1963 -
(Main F127.S9 S85 Latest edition in Reference and
Government Documents)

Lists county, local officials, introduction
contains a brief county history.

BIOGRAPHICAL DIRECTORIES

These should be utilized somewhat critically. Regarded as "vanity" publications as the prominent citizens whose portraits graced their pages usually bore the costs of the publication.

Portrait and biographical record of Suffolk county (Long Island) New York. Containing portraits and biographical sketches of prominent and representative citizens of the county. New York, Chapman pub., 1896. 1039p.
(Ref F127.S9 P8)

A similar publication by Chapman exists for Queens County (Nassau before 1898) but is not available at Stony Brook.

GUIDEBOOKS

General sources of information often with a promotional or boosterism theme for the area, many fine Long Island guides were published by the Long Island Railroad Company. Smithtown Library Long Island collection has a fine collection of these.

Barber, John Warner. Historical collections of the state of New York, containing a general collection of the most interesting facts, traditions, biographical sketches, anecdotes, etc., relating to its history and antiquities with geographic description of every township in the state. New York, S. Tuttle, 1842. 608p.

(Main F119.B23 1842)

Know Long Island v.1 no. 1 - Jan. 1960 - Hempstead, N.Y.
(SPEC 127.L8 K58)

Many topics covered, good for contemporary history.

Long Island, the sunrise homeland
(have 1937-1957 incomplete SPEC F127.L8 L68)

Essentially Long Island "boosterism."

Long Island guide and yearbook
(have 1969 Ref F127.L8 L74)

Good summary of L.I. history, including county and local.

GAZETTEERS, ATLASES, MAPS

French, John Homer. Gazetteer of the State of New York: embracing a comprehensive view of the geography, geology, and general history of the state, a description of every county, city, town, village and locality. With full table of statistics. Syracuse, N.Y. Bearsall Smith, 1859. 494p. maps. (Ref F117.F75 1860)

Gives also acres of land under cultivation, valuation, population, dwellings, schools, livestock, agricultural products, domestic manufacturers (refers to textile industry data reported in yards of cloth produced).

Macloskey, Arthur R. Long Island gazetteer, a guide to historic places. Brooklyn, N.Y., Eagle Library, 1939. 144p. Maps. (SPEC F127.L8 M2)

Includes outstanding dates in Long Island's history.

Tooker, William Wallace. The Indian place names on Long Island and islands adjacent with their probable signification. Port Washington, I.J. Friedman, 1962. 314 p. Reprint of 1911 edition.

(Ref F127.L8 T6 1962)

Bibliography included. Good for linking the Long Island settlement with their native American precursors.

Beers, Frederick W. Atlas of Long Island. From recent surveys and actual records. 192 pages of maps. New York, Beers, Comstock & Cline, 1873.
(Smithtown Library, Long Island Room)

The Beers Atlas is among several 19th century atlases available at Smithtown. It is of particular use because of its large scale and detailed maps of the island. Also of notable in this collection is David Burr's atlas of Long Island from 1829.

New century atlas of counties of the state of New York, from official records, government and state surveys... New York, Everts publishing co., 1911. 229p. 58 maps.
(Available in Map Library office)

Hagstrom Company, Inc., N.Y. Hagstrom Atlas; Nassau County.
(Latest editions Map Library and Reference Desk)

Hagstrom Company, Inc., N.Y. Hagstrom Atlas; Suffolk County.
(Latest editions Map Library and Reference desk)

Eagle automobile guide of Long Island 1909 - 1928 title varies. Brooklyn, Eagle library.

Not available at Stony Brook, but excellent for road maps of the island. The series chronicles the spread of the web of roads that brought suburban development to the island. Also contains early motor vehicle laws.

Maps of Suffolk, Co., L.I., N.Y. from actual surveys by J. Chase, 1858. John Douglas, 1958. Wall maps 48" x 57."
(Available in SPECIAL COLLECTIONS)

U.S. Geological Survey. Topographical maps. New York State. Historic series on microfilm. U.S. National Cartographic Information Service
(Map Collection)

Successive editions of both 7.5 and 15 minute series are included.

OTHER SOURCES - EARLY TRAVELERS, VIEWS

Dwight, Timothy. Travels in New England and New York. New Haven, 1822. 4v.
(MAIN F8.D99)

v.3 has 'Journey to Long Island.'
Letters 1-5, p. 283-329.

Ruther, Frederick. Long Island today; consisting of sketches on the political, industrial, topographical and geological, history of Long Island. general views. Hicksville, N.Y., 1909. 271p. 610 illustrations.
(SPEC F127.L8R9)

The main value of this volume is in the contemporary photographs of sights around the Island. Many views of main streets and train stations.

Suffolk (County) Board of Supervisors, Suffolk County's ten great townships of Long Island. 1939.
(MAIN X F127 .S.9 A5 1939)
Period views.

Nassau County pictorial. v.1- ?
Long Island Association, Nassau Division, 1938. 91 p.
(SPEC backlog)

Pictorial promotional material, little text, but good views of period.

SECONDARY SOURCES - GENERAL HISTORIES OF THE ISLAND

PRINCIPAL WORKS --

Wood, Silas. Sketch of the first settlement of the several towns on Long Island. Brooklyn, 1824. (In Historic chronicles of New Amsterdam, colonial New York and early Long Island compiled by Carnell Jaray. Port Washington, N.Y., I.J. Friedman, 1968. 2v.)
(Main F 122.J3)

First full scale history of Long Island. Foundation for later works by Thompson and Prime.

Prime, Nathaniel Scudder. A history of Long Island from its earliest settlement by the Europeans to the year 1845, with special reference to its ecclesiastical concerns. New York, 1845, 420 p.
(Main F127.L8 P9)

As a clergyman, Prime gives ample attention to the various religious denominations and their ministers. A descriptive table of contents provides access in lieu of an index.

Ross, Peter. History of Long Island from its earliest settlement to the present time. New York, Lewis Historical Publ. Co., 1903. 3v.

First edition 1902. v.1 early and general history of Island, history of Queens, Brooklyn. v.2 concentrates on more easternly end of island, includes chapters on Long Island slavery, list of 1755 slave holdings. v.3 Biographical

Thompson, Benjamin Franklin. History of Long Island from its discovery and settlement to the present time. 3rd edition, 1918. 3v. Reprinted by I.J. Friedman, 1962. (Main F 127.L8 T42 1962)

Original edition was published in 1839. Considered the classic most reputable comprehensive, Long Island history. Contains valuable information on the establishment and governmental organization of many Long Island towns. v.1 General history of Long Island including geological, physical and indian history. v.2 includes the area to become Nassau county. v.3 largely biographical.

Bailey, Paul, ed. Long Island; a history of two great counties Nassau and Suffolk, New York, Lewis Historical Publ. Co., 1949, 3v.

(Ref F127.L8 B18, copy also in Main stacks)

Introduction comments on Long Island historians, especially Thompson. Set is composed of separate chapters written by different authors. Topics included are histories of the towns, whaling, churches, institutions, Quakers, and other various aspects of Long Island life and its development. Lacks source documentation.

Furman, Gabriel. Antiquities of Long Island. To which is added a bibliography by Henry Onderdonk, jr., New York, J.W. Boston, 1875, 478 p. Xerox University Microfilm edition, 1963.

(Microfilm A107 reel 230:8)

This work written between 1824 and 1838 comments on the relations between the European settlers and the Indians. A good description of early stage travel on the island is provided. The volume is indexed. Sources for the historical account are not given. The bibliography included by Onderdonk does not give sufficient bibliographic descriptions to identify editions.

Gabriel, Ralph Henry. The evolution of Long Island; a story of land and sea. New Haven, Yale University Press, 1921. 194p.

(Main F 127.L8G12)

The most scholarly general history of Long Island to date. Gabriel's analysis of the island's history as influenced by the sea around it and the increasing contact with metropolitan New York is a welcome change from the older chronicles stressing the great men of church and state. The bibliographical note is also helpful.

NOTEWORTHY ARTICLES IN ENCYCLOPEDIA SETS

Encyclopaedia Britannica, 1970 edition. "Long Island."
v.14 p300-302.

(Ref AE .E363 1970 Encyclopedia section)

Dictionary of American history. revised edition, 1976.
"Long Island. v. 4 p. 185-186.

(Ref E174 A43 1976)

GENERAL HISTORIES FOR CASUAL READING

Dyson, Verne. The human story of Long Island. Port
Washington, N.Y. I.J. Friedman, 1969, 140 p.

(Main F 127.L8 D92)

Each chapter devoted to an anecdotal story.

Flint, Martha. Bockee. Long Island before the revolution; a
colonial study. Port Washington, I.J. Friedman, 1967.
549p.

(Main F 127.L8 F6 1967)

Originally published as Early Long Island, a
colonial study in 1896.

Jackson, Birdsall. How they lived, as disclosed by old
Long Island tales and chronicles. Rockville Centre, N.Y.,
Paumanok Press, 1941. 222p.

(Main F 127.L8 J28)

Anecdotal history emphasizing social life and
customs.

Manley, Leon. Long Island discovery; an adventure into the history, manners and mores of America's front porch. Garden City, N.Y., Doubleday, 1966. 318p.
(Main F 127.L8 M24 Copy also in Bio)

Comprehensive history with a popular approach. History of the environment, science, art, religious and society of Long Island. Sources are not foot-noted, but extensive bibliography is supplied. Index and list of names of early Long Island settlers is given.

Overton, Jacqueline. Long Island's story. Garden City, N.Y. Doubleday, Daran, 1929. 348 p. Illustrated
(Main F 127.L8 Q96 also copy in Bio)

Work is divided by subjects and arranged chronologically. A bibliography of whaling stories appears on p. 229. General bibliography p. 323-25. A later edition, 1961, not available at Stony Brook contains an addition section by Bernice Marshall, The Rest of the Story 1929-1961.

Weeks, George Lewis. Isle of Shells Islip, N.Y. Buys Bros, 1965. 313p.
(Main Cage F 127.L8 W4)

Includes topics not always covered: State parks, hotels, clubs. Also landmarks, mills, manor houses.

Wilson, Rufus Rockwell. Historic Long Island. Port Washington, N.Y., I.J. Friedman, 1969. 394 p.
(Main F 127.L8 W7 1969 copy also in Bio)

Reprint of 1902 edition. No sources given but good topical overview. Good chapters on Puritan influence, whaling, Long Island in the Civil War.

HISTORIES OF THE COUNTIES, TOWNS AND LOCALITIES

NASSAU COUNTY

History of Queens county: 1683-1882. New York, Munsell, 1882. Map 576 p.

(Smithtown Library, Long Island Room)

Useful for the Nassau area prior to county organization in 1898.

Darlington, Oscar Gilpin. Glimpses of Nassau County's history. Nassau County Trust Co., 1949. 22p.
(Main F 127.N2 D3)

Written on occasion of 50th anniversary of county and bank, good short general sketch.

Smits, Edward J. Nassau, suburbia U.S.A.: the first seventh-five years of Nassau County, Garden City, N.Y. Doubleday, 1974. 303p. Illustrated
(Main F127.N2 S62)

Quality commemorative publication. Good example of the growth of a suburban area. Includes bibliography and index. Photographic illustrations compliment text.

HEMPSTEAD

Hempstead, N.Y. Public Information Dept. a history of the town of Hempstead: the 325th anniversary of the town... [1969?] 118p. Illustrated
(Main X F 129.H4 H38)

Good coverage of recent historical events in the town.

Marshall, Bernice Schultz. Colonial Hempstead; Long Island life under the Dutch and English. 2nd edition. Port Washington, I.J. Friedman, 1962. 392p. Illustrated
(Main F 129.H4 M3)

Original edition 1937. Illustrated by blockprints and photography from Historic American Buildings Survey. Well documented.

Bassett, Preston R. and Arthur L. Hodges. The history of Rockville Centre. Uniondale, N.Y. Salisbury Printers, 1969. 244p.
(SPEC F129 .R81 B3)

Emphasizes financial and business history of area.

Gordon, Patricia. Yesterdays in the Merricks, [North Merrick, N.Y.?] Dime Savings Bank of Williamsburg, 1975. 64p.
(SPEC F 129 .M6 G67)

Seyfried, Vincent F. The founding of Garden City 1869-1893. [Garden City] 1969. 53p.
(SPEC Backlog)

Smith, Mildred H. History of Garden City. Manhasset, N.Y.
Channel Press, 1963. 144p.

(Main F 129.G15 S5)

Includes bibliography and index. Relatively
current history last 100 years.

NORTH HEMPSTEAD

Fahnestock, Catherine (Bickford)

The story of Sycamore Lodge, Roslyn Harbor, Long Island.
Port Washington, N.Y., Port Print Service, 1964. 72p.

(Main F 129.R86 F3)

Short story but well done with explicit references
to sources.

Gerry Peggy and Roger Gerry. Old Roslyn, Roslyn, N.Y.,
Bryant Library, 1953. 48p.

(Main F 129.R86 G4)

Includes bibliography, but largely a picture book
of houses.

Mann, H.A. A brief account of the Indians in the Township
of North Hempstead and their dealings with the white
settlers. Great Neck, 1924. 32p.

(Smithtown, Long Island Room)

OYSTER BAY

Irwin, Frances. Historic Oyster Bay. 2nd edition revised
and enlarged. Oyster Bay, N.Y., 1951. 24p.

(Main F 129.Q98I5 1951)

Brief, mostly focused on historic sites.

Merle-Smith, Van Santvoard, Jr. The Village of Oyster Bay
from 1653-1700. Garden City, N.Y. Doubleday, 1953. 104p.

Detailed history containing appendices with:
location of places with obsolete names and name of
every freeholder 1653-1702 in town records with
occupations.

SUFFOLK COUNTY

Bayles, Richard Mather. Historical and descriptive sketches of Suffolk County with a historical outline of Long Island. Port Washington, N.Y., I.J. Friedman, 1962. 424p.
(Main F.127 .S9 B3)

Original published 1874.

Bayles, Thomas R. The ten towns of Suffolk County, Long Island, N.Y. 1964. 16p.
(SPEC F 127.S9 B33)

Very brief histories of each town. End paper has facsimilies of 1847 Long Island Railroad Co. Schedule and notice from the Montauk Steam boat company.

Granttham, Caryl Reeve. History of the government of Suffolk County, 1683-1958. New York University Ph.D dissertation, 1963. 136p.
(Microform Section, Institute of Colonial Studies, Reel A part 4)

Comments on Long Island histories p. 4-13 are very worthwhile except the author has considered Thompson's history to be a product of 1918 which is merely the imprint of the 3rd edition and not a substantial revision of the original 1839 work.

McDermott, Charles J. Suffolk County, N.Y., J.H. Heineman, 1965. 86p.
(Main F 127.S9 M2)

Includes bibliography

BABYLON

For early histories of the area see Huntington town history

Dyson, Verne. Deer Park, Wyandanch history: 1. Deer & dahlias; 2. Wyandanch story. Brentwood, N.Y. Brentwood village press, 1957. 133p.
(Main F 129 .D42 D82)

History of towns spawned by the Long Island Railroad.

BROOKHAVEN

Adkins, Edwin P. Setauket, the first three hundred years, 1655-1955. New York, D. McKay, 1955. 108p.

(MAIN F 129.S556 A2 1955a copy also in SPEC)

Short well done local history. Indexed.
Bibliographical footnotes at the end of each chapter.

Bigelow, Stephanie S. Bellport and Brookhaven; a saga of the sibling hamlets at old Purchase... Bellport, N.Y., Bellport-Brookhaven Historical Society, 1968. 126p.
(Smithtown, Long Island Room)

Klein, Howard. Three Village guidebook; a guide to the history and landmarks of the villages of Setauket, Poquott, Old Field and Stony Brook, Long Island with a self guided tour of 300 sites. Port Jefferson Station, St. Gerard Press, 1976. 176p. Illustrations.

(SPEC backlog)

Lampham, Edward A. Stony Brook secrets. New York, Gotham Bookmart Press, 1942. 146p.

(SPEC F 129.S7595 L3)

Good local history. Appendix contains list of vessels built in Stony Brook prior to 1835, list of vessels using Stony Brook dock 1868-1873.

Welles, Gordon. Port Jefferson, story of a village. Port Jefferson, N.Y., Historical Society, 1977. 93p.

(SPEC backlog)

Good illustrations with sufficient text, bibliography and index. Good attention to ships and shipbuilding in the harbor village.

EAST HAMPTON

Epstein, Jason and Elizabeth Burlow. East Hampton: a history and guide with introduction by Everett Edward Rattray. Sag Harbor, N.Y., Medway Press, 1975. 237p.

(Bio F 129.E13 E67)

Enjoyable, readable work. 74 pages devoted to the history of the area. Lacks bibliographical references.

Payne, Pierre Stephan Robert. The island: being the story of the fortunes & vicissitudes & triumphs of the island known as Monchonake now known as Gardiners Island. New York, Harcourt, Brace, 1958. 248p.

(Main F 129.E13 P3)

Readable narrative. Includes bibliography.

Rattray, Jeanette (Edwards). East Hampton history including the genealogies of early families. East Hampton, N.Y., 1953. 619 p.

(Main F 129.E13 R25)

Pages 1-174 - history, 175-6 bibliographical notes. Remainder of text genealogical material.

FISHER'S ISLAND

Ferguson, H. Fisher's Island, 1614-1925. Privately printed, 1925. Illustrated 104p.

(Smithtown, Long Island Room)

HUNTINGTON

Huntington-Babylon town history. Prefaced signed Romannah Sammis. Huntington, Huntington Historical Society, 1937. 296p.

(Main F 129.H9 S3)

A comprehensive history of the two towns and their localities, north shore to south.

Huntington Tercentenary Inc. Our town Huntington, a pictorial history of Huntington in commemoration of its tercentary, 1953. 95p.

(SPEC X F 129.H9 H94)

Many fine views of streets, churches, mills.
Includes a copy of the original Indian deed.

Wood, Silas. Silas Wood's sketch of the town of Huntington, L.I., from its first settlement to the end of the American Revolution. Edited with genealogical and historical notes by William S. Pelletreau. New York, F.P. Harper, 1898. 68p.

(Main F129 .H9 W8 copy also in SPEC)

Good early history.

Cold Spring Harbor soundings. Cold Spring Harbor, Village Improvement Society, 1953. 85p.

(SPEC backlog)

A local history in honor of the "First Old Purchase" of Huntington Township. Essays by different authors on various topics: indians, mills, whaling, railroads, schools, resorts, etc.

ISLIP

Dyson, Verne. A Century of Brentwood. Brentwood, N.Y. Brentwood Village Press, 1950. 300p.

(Main F129.B48 D9)

Includes good chapters on the utopian settlement "Modern Times"

_____. The history of Central Islip. Brentwood, N.Y. Brentwood Village Press, 1954. 104p.

(Main F 129.C394 D9)

Wilcox, Gerald and Judith. First history of West Islip (Secatogue). West Islip, N.Y. 1976. 161p.

(SPEC F 129.W66 W54)

Includes chronology of events p. 144. Reproductions of maps pp. 121-137 are not entirely legible.

RIVERHEAD

Riverhead Bicentennial album, 1976, 104p.

(SPEC backlog)

Views, some text.

SHELTER ISLAND

Duvall, Ralph G. The history of Shelter Island 1652-1932 with a supplement 1932-1952 by Jean L. Schladermundt. Shelter Island Heights, N.Y., 1952. 304p. Map.

(Main F 127. S54 D9 1952)

Original published 1932. Good history. Local situation is viewed in context of contemporary events as California Gold Rush, etc.

Herman, Stewart W. The story of Dering Harbor, Shelter Island, N.Y. 1874-1974. Shelter Island Historical Society, 1976.

(Smithtown, Long Island Room)

Reference notes indicate extensive use of early Sag Harbor newspapers. Index included.

SMITHTOWN

Thompson, Benjamin Franklin. A history of Smithtown, 1663-1845. Smithtown, N.Y., Smithtown Library, 1959. 20p.

(Main F 129 .S69 T56)

Pamphlet based on Smithtown material from Thompson's History of Long Island. Short, but well done. Contains Glossary of terms not in contemporary use pertinent to the history.

History of the Smithtown Fire Department, Patchogue, N.Y., Agelli Press, 1956. 104p.

(SPEC F 129.S69 H5)

Additional extensive material on Smithtown, including vertical file collections, is available in the Smithtown Library Long Island Collection.

SOUTHAMPTON

Adams, James Truslow. History of the town of Southampton (east of Canoe Place). Bridgehampton, N.Y., Hampton Press, 1918. 424p.

(Main F 129.S7 A2)

Indexed. Lacks bibliography, but footnotes are given. Includes material on Sag Harbor and the growth and decline of the whaling industry. Organized in topical chapters.

_____. Memorials of old Bridgehampton, Port Washington, N.Y., I.J. Friedman, 1962. 399p.

(Main F 129 .B5 A6)

Reprint of 1916 work. Organized similarly to his Southampton book.

Howell, George Rogers. The early history of Southampton, L.I., New York with genealogies. Rev., corrected and enlarged 2nd edition. Southampton, Yankee Peddler Book Co., 1969. 473p.

(Main F 129 .S7 H85 1969)

Original edition 1866, 2nd 1887. The edition contains appendix with transcripts of early documents.

Hedges, Henry Parsons, Historical addresses at Bridge-Hampton, L.I... July 4, 1876 and November 10, 1886. Sag Harbor, N.Y., Hunt, 1886.

(SPECIAL COLLECTIONS)

Histories of the town and area.

Tomkins, Judy. The other Hampton. New York, Grossman,
1974. 147p.

(Main F 129.B5 T65, 1974)

Pictorial work concerning the black community
of Bridgehampton.

Post, Richard H. Notes on Quogue, 1659-1959. [Quogue,
N.Y.?] Quogue Tercentenary Committee, 1959. 88p.

(Main F 129 .Q62 P52)

Short, but well documented.

Quogue as we remember it. Quogue Historical Society. 47p.
(SPEC backlog)

Pictorial work.

Southampton, Long Island. 325th anniversary. 84p.
(SPEC backlog)

Pictorial work.

SOUTHOLD

Craven, Charles Edmiston. A history of Mattituck, Long Island,
N.Y. [Mattituck?] 1906. 400p.

(Main F 129 M4 C8)

Biographical footnotes are supplied but not ex-
tensively. Nearly 150 pages are devoted to
baptismal records. Includes index.

Hall, Warren. Pagans, Puritans, Patriots of yesterdays
Southold; the town's first chronological flashback.
Cutchogue, N.Y., Cutchogue-New Suffolk Historical
Council, 1975. 109p.

(SPEC F 129 .S74 H17)

History of the "oldest English town in New York."
Covers mostly the period before the Revolution;
includes a section on Indians.

Hedges, Henry Parsons. An address delivered before the
Suffolk County Historical Society, Oct. 1, 1889. Sag
Harbor, N.Y., Hunt, 1889. 14p.

(SPEC F 129 .S7 H4)

Speech of the priority of the settlement of
Southold against the claim of Southampton.

Southold Historical Society Guide to historical markers;
the first list of historic markers placed in Southold,
Peconic and Arshamomague. Southold, N.Y., 1960. 59p.
(Main F 129.S74 S84)

Includes a map with locations.

SPECIALIZED HISTORIES

SOCIETY AND SOCIAL ISSUES

McKee, Samuel. Labor in colonial New York, 1664-1776. New
York, Columbia University Press, 1935. 193p.
(Main H31.C7 no 410)

Covers topics of apprentice and slave labor.
Long Island is included but not specifically
studied.

Mark, Irving. Agrarian conflicts in colonial New York
1711-1775. 2nd edition with introduction by Ralph
Adams Brown. Port Washington, N.Y., I.J. Friedman,
1965. 237p.
(Main F 122 M363)

Mostly deals with the Hudson Valley, but useful
for references to local judicial systems.

Tredwell, Daniel M. Personal reminiscences of men and
things on Long Island. Brooklyn, 1912-17. 2v.
(Main F 127 .L8 T7)

Based on a diary kept throughout 1800's. Gives
reflection of the daily life of agricultural Long
Island.

RELIGION

Disosway, Gabriel Poillon. The earliest churches of New
York and its vicinity. New York, Gregory, 1865.
(Main F 122.D61)

Three chapters on Long Island churches, particularly
Southold, Hampton and Huntington. Also discusses
Baptists and Quakers and Elias Hicks.

New York (State) State Historian. Ecclesiastical records
of the state of New York. 1901-16. 7v.
(Main BR 555 .N7 A3)

Records primarily of Dutch Reformed Church. v.7
has index - See entries for Long Island.

Des Grange, Jane. Long Island's religious history.
Stony Brook, Suffolk Museum, 1963. 54p.
(Main BR 555 .N75 L6)

Short history of religious sects on Long
Island.

THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION AND LONG ISLAND

Luke, Myron H. and Robert W. Venables. Long Island in the
American Revolution. Albany, New York State American
Bicentennial Commission, 1976. 59p.
(SPEC backlog)

Good summary. Includes suggested readings.
1779 facsimile map of Long Island.

Mather, Frederic Gregory. The refugees of 1776 from Long
Island to Connecticut. Baltimore, Genealogical Pub., Co.,
1972. 1204p.
(Main E 263.N6M4 1972)

Excellent documentary history of period including
sources. Reprint of 1913 work.

Post, Lydia (minturn) Personal recollections of the
American revolution. A private journal... New York, Rudd
& Carleton, 1859. 251p.
(Main E 275 .P85)

Letters and diary written during the British
occupation of Long Island.

Onderdonk, Henry. Revolutionary incidents of Suffolk and
Kings counties... New York, Leavitt, 1849. 268p.
(SPEC E 263.N6 Q5)

Good for early Nassau area towns.

MATERIAL CULTURE

Braunlein, John H. Colonial Long Island folklife; an
overview of the colonial period stressing 18th century
Suffolk County. Stony Brook, Museums at Stony Brook,
1976. 38p.
(SPEC backlog)

Sections on settlement and community farm life
and the rise of crafts. A bibliography includes
primary and secondary sources.

Failey, Dean. Long Island is my nation: the decorative arts and craftsmen, 1640-1830. Setauket, Society for the Preservation of Long Island Antiquities, 1976. 304p illustrated.

(SPEC NK806 .F34)

Examples of crafts reproduced in black and white photographs. Bibliographic essay notes locations of account books, probate records, records of deeds and mortgages, etc. which were studied for information concerning the articles crafted.

Jaray, Carnell, comp. The mills of Long Island. Port Washington, N.Y., I.J. Friedman, 1962. 44p.

(Main F 127 .L8 J34)

Part I. Windmills of Eastern Long Island. Part II. Watermills on Long Island. Has index to people and places.

Long Island, an inventory of historic engineering and industrial sites. Project sponsored by Society for the Preservation of Long Island Antiquities and the Historic American Engineering Record. Published by the U.S. Park Service. 75p.

(SPEC T 22 .N7 L66)

Survey of sites divided by county and town. Includes index.

Valentine, Harriet G. and Andrus T. Valentine. An island's people, one foot in the sea, one on the shore. Huntington, Peterson Press, 1976.

(SPEC backlog)

A history of local commerce and industry. Includes sources and index.

Viemeister, August. An architectural journey throughout Long Island. Port Washington, N.Y., Kennibat Press, 1974. 150p. (Smithtown, Long Island Room)

TRANSPORATION AND INDUSTRY

Bassett, Preston R. Long Island cradle of aviation. Long Island Forum reprint Nov. 1950. 42p.

(SPEC backlog)

Kaiser, William K. The development of the aerospace industry on Long Island [Hempstead, N.Y., Hofstra University, 1968] 3v.

(MAIN HD9711.U62 L6)

v.1 the industry, 1904-1964, v.2. financial and related aspects, v.3. a chronology 1833-1965.

McAdam, Roger Williams. Salts of the sound; an informal history of steamboat days and famous skippers... Revised and enlarged. New York, Stephen Daye Press, 1957. 240p.
(Smithtown, Long Island Room)

Rattray, Jeannette (Edwards). Ship ashore! A record of maritime disasters off Montauk and Eastern Long Island 1640-1955, Southampton, N.Y., Yankee Peddler Book Co., [1966] 246p.

(Main F 127.L8 R3 1966)

Includes bibliography. Index divided by List of vessels in distress, people and places. Original edition 1955.

Schmitt, Frederick P. Whale watch, Story of shore whaling off Nassau County, New York. Cold Spring Harbor, Whaling Museum Society, Inc. 14p.

(SPEC backlog)

Seyfried, Vincent F. The cross-island line, trolley operations in Huntington, Melville, Farmingdale, Amityville. Garden City., N.Y., Private printing [1977] 142p.

(SPEC backlog)

Illustrated history included list of accidents and known employees.

LONG ISLAND RAILROAD

A noteworthy resource in Stony Brook's Special Collections is the Robert M. Emery Long Island Railroad collections. This collection is comprised of photographs, schedules, maps of railcrossings and other LIRR memorabilia. Much of it is arranged in scrapbooks compiled by Mr. Emery during his over 30 years career with the Railroad. A guide to the collection is available in the Special Collections Department.

Seyfried, Vincent F. The Long Island Railroad, a comprehensive history. Garden City, N.Y. 1961 - Library has parts 1,2, 4,5,6

(SPEC HE 2791.L8482 S4)

Pt. 1 Southside R.R. Pt. 2 Flushing, South Shore & Central RR Pt. 3 the age of expansion 1863-1880 pt. 4 Bay Ridge & Manhattan Beach Divisions Pt. 5. New York, Woodlawn and Rockaway RR Pt. 6 The Golden Age 1881-1900.

Smith, Mildred H. Early history of the Long Island Railroad, 1834-1900. Uniondale, N.Y. Salisbury Printers, 1958.
(Main HE 2791 .L8482 56)

Bibliography included.

Wood, Clarence Ashton. First train to Greenport in 1844.
Long Island Forum reprint, Nov. 1943.
(Main HE 2791 .L8483 W6)

Ziel, Ron and George Foster. Steel rails to the sunrise.
New York, Duell, Sloan and Pearce, 1965. 320p.
(SPEC uncataloged)

Mostly pictorial history of the Long Island Railroad. Some text and data concerning engines, rolling stock, etc.

NATURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL HISTORY

ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION SERVICE (E.I.S.)

This vertical file collection housed in Government Documents Section was established in 1970. Its purpose is to provide reference service to all those interested in environmental issues, especially those of Long Island. Special attention has been given to the impact of urbanization on the natural environment and the interdependence of natural and man-made environments.

Within these guidelines, E.I.S. has selected from the mass of available information those materials which relate directly to problems and conditions in Suffolk and Nassau Counties. This core material has been supplemented with materials from outside the region which might help in interpreting the local situation. All materials have been organized using Library of Congress subject headings and are arranged for use in large files in the E.I.S. area. There are about 475 subject headings in current use.

Because local newspapers are an important source of information in this subject area, since 1971 E.I.S. has clipped appropriate articles from Newsday, Long Island Press, the New York Times and the Long Island Business Review.

Bailey, Paul. Physical Long Island; its glacial origin, historic storms, beaches, prairies and archaeology.
Amityville, Long Island Forum, 1959. 130p.
(MAIN F 127.L8 B173)

Largely pictorial. No sources given.

Fuller, Myron Leslie. The geology of Long Island. Washington, GPO 1914. 23lp. (U.S. Geological survey professional paper, 82)

(ESS permanent reserve X QE 75.P9 no.82)

Technical, but the classic monograph on the subject.

Murphy, Robert Cushman. Fish-shape Paumanok; nature and man on Long Island. Philadelphia, American Philosophical Society, 1964. 67p.

(Main F 127 .L8 M8)

Good short introduction to wildlife, nature on Long Island against the impact of man. Bibliography has sources of natural history and information.

Weigold, Marilyn E. The American Mediterranean: an environmental, economic & social history of Long Island Sound. Port Washington, N.Y., Kennikat Press, 1974. 228p.

(SPEC X F 127 .L8 W42)

Bibliography includes helpful evaluative guide to institutional sources.

SUBURBAN GROWTH

Arth, Andrea Owens. Resistance to urban encroachment at the metropolitan fringe. Stony Brook, State University of New York M.A. dissertation, 1972.

(Main HT 123.5 .N44 A75)

Bibliography helpful for references on suburban life on Long Island.

Caro, Robert A. Power broker: Robert Moses and the fall of New York. New York, Knopf, 1974. 1246p.

(Main NA9085.M68C37 Copy also in SPEC 1974)

This exhaustive study on the activities of Robert Moses has much to say concerning the urbanization of the island. Extensive indexing and source notes on each chapter.

Economic aspects of suburban growth; studies of the Nassau-Suffolk planning region edited by D.K. Zschock. Stony Brook, Economic Research Bureau, SUNY, Stony Brook, [1969] 163p.

(Main HC 107 N7 E26)

Under "trends and objectives in suburban development" on page 38 a historical review of development in the bi-county region is given.

Sabin, Dennis P. Dynamics of community change; the case of Long Island's declining "Gold Coast." Port Washington, N.Y., I.J. Friedman, 1968. 205p.

(Main HN 79 .N4 S65)

Deals primarily with the north shore of Long Island upper-class life, its rise and decline with the advent of suburbia. Includes bibliography, more useful for upper-class life in general than for Long Island references except for periodical sources.

ADDITIONAL COLLECTIONS AND RESEARCH SOURCES

LIBRARIES

Most local public libraries on the island are good sources for secondary source material on the histories of their immediate localities. Local librarians are also often aware of the "resource persons" in their immediate community. The following libraries have been selected as having particularly noteworthy collections including some primary resource materials.

Huntington Public Library
338 Main Street
Huntington, New York
(516) 427-5165

Good collection of secondary sources plus unpublished student papers on the Revolutionary War in Huntington and other local topics.

Smithtown Library, Richard Handley Collection
1 North Country Road
Smithtown, New York
(516) 265-2072

Published material on Long Island: cataloged and extensive vertical file collections. Good map and atlas collection. Many Long Island Railroad pamphlets.

East Hampton Library, Morton Pennypacker Collection
159 Main Street
East Hampton, New York
(516) 324-0222

Appointments advised.

Fine collection of Long Island primary and secondary sources. Many periodical and newspaper articles on the subject appear in collections catalog arranged by subject.

Queensborough Public Library
Long Island Division
8911 Merrick Blvd.
Jamaica, New York
(212) 739-1900 X215

Largest collection on Long Island Railroad. Fine newspaper clipping files.

HISTORICAL SOCIETIES, MUSEUMS ETC

Suffolk County catalog lists additional societies and also the town historians for Suffolk.

Brookhaven Town Historical Collection
 Town Hall
 205 South Ocean Avenue
 Patchogue, New York
 (516) 475-5500

Collection includes books, and files on the towns of Brookhaven, including nineteenth century atlases and maps.

Cold Spring Harbor Whaling Museum
 Main Street
 Cold Spring, Harbor, New York
 (516) 367-3418

Manuscripts on the shipping and whaling industry of Cold Spring Harbor.

Huntington Historical Society
 High Street & New York Avenue
 Huntington, New York
 (516) 427-7045

Manuscripts related to whaling and shipping. Good collection of photographs.

Nassau County Museum, Library
 (formerly Library of the Nassau County Historical Society)
 Eisenhower Park
 East Meadow, New York
 (516) 489-9600

Good up to date collection. Excellent clipping file for each county community. Oyster Bay land surveys and deeds for eighteenth century. Large microfilm collection if Island newspapers.

Oyster Bay Historical Society
 20 Summit
 Oyster Bay, New York
 (516) 922-5032

Manuscripts relating to shipping, freight records of the Northport, Huntington and Oyster Bay Steamboat Company.

Oysterponds Historical Society
 Village Lane
 Orient
 (516) 323-2380

Materials classified by name but not subject. Included are diary of an unknown farmer (1864-65); Augustus Griffin's journal, documents pertaining to shipping and Sag Harbor customs house, letters discussing Orient and the Sound during the War of 1812.

Suffolk County Historical Society
300 West Main Street
Riverhead, New York
(516) 727-2881

Log books of 19th century coastal voyages, files on lighthouses, ferries and steamers and whaling in addition to fine principal secondary sources on Long Island.