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FROST, JOHN ELDRIDGE
b. Eliot, January 13, 1917

Dr. Frost is the librarian of the University Heights Library of New York University. A native of Maine, he holds degrees from the Universities of Maine and New Hampshire, Berkeley Divinity School, Columbia and New York Universities. He is the author of NICHOLAS FROST FAMILY, 1943, and COLONIAL FAMILY, 1948.

March 26, 1948

Mr. John Eldridge Frost
Kittery Point
Maine

Dear Mr. Frost:

Notice of the forthcoming COLONIAL VILLAGE reached us recently, and we are immediately adding this book to our order list.

In addition to the general lending section of the library, the Maine Author Collection seems to us to be one place where COLONIAL VILLAGE should be. As you may know, this collection is of books written by Maine people, or about the state. Over fifteen hundred volumes now comprise this permanent exhibit, inscribed and presented by the authors, and forming a valuable testimony to Maine's place in literature. We also gather biographical and critical material on our authors, and preserve correspondence in special books. The worth of such an enterprise increases constantly, of course; and the present interest is great to visitors and students.

We hope that you may want to inscribe and present a copy of COLONIAL VILLAGE for the Maine Author Collection. You have our very good wishes for the success of the book, and we are eagerly looking forward to its publication.

Please accept our cordial invitation to call at the library and see the Maine Author Collection when you are in Augusta.

Sincerely yours

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In Charge of
Maine Author Collection

April 9, 1948

Mr. John Eldridge Frost
380 Riverside Drive
New York 25, New York

Dear Mr. Frost:

The inscribed copy of COLONIAL VILLAGE for the Maine Author Collection has arrived, and we are delighted to have this charming and informative book on historical Maine Houses in the exhibit.

We have of course ordered a copy for the general lending section of the library, where it will be an interesting and valuable addition.

Sometime, at your convenience, would you be so kind as to let us have a brief biographical sketch, so that our information on the author of so delightful a book will be complete.

Please accept our thanks for the gift copy, and our appreciation for your interest in the Maine Author Collection.

Sincerely yours

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In Charge of
Maine Author Collection

September 22, 1960

Dr. John Eldridge Frost, Librarian
University Heights Library
New York University
New York City

Dear Dr. Frost:

Congratulations on your new book, SARAH ORNE JEWETT, which we are eager to see, and which we have, of course, ordered for the library. The wide interest in everything pertaining to this Maine writer makes welcome every new item about her, and your background and experience should equip you particularly well to give us an excellent book.

We are delighted to learn that which we perhaps should have known earlier: that we can claim you, too, as a Maine author. Your books, NICHOLAS FROST FAMILY and COLONIAL FAMILY, are in the library; but we should have written to you before now, had we been aware that you were born in Maine.

Do you know of the Maine Author Collection? It is a permanent exhibit of Maine writing, most of the volumes inscribed and presented for this purpose. The inscriptions are as varied as the books themselves, and we have pen-and-ink sketches, bits of verse, tributes to Maine, sometimes autobiographical highlights. The inscriptions lend a special distinction to the exhibit, which is available for study and browsing here at the library. We also gather biographical and critical material, and try to have as complete information on our authors as possible.

Dr. John Eldridge Frost
September 22, 1960
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We hope, naturally, that you will want to inscribe a copy of the new book for the Maine Author Collection. Meanwhile, we send you our very good wishes for its warm welcome and enduring success.

Sincerely yours

hmj

In Charge of
Maine Author Collection

October 11, 1960

The Gundlow Club, Inc.
Kittery Point
Maine

Gentlemen:

For the copy of Dr. Frost's book, SARAH ORNE JEWETT, which you have presented to the Maine Author Collection, we express our appreciation.

It is a great pleasure and a satisfaction to be able to add this book to the Maine shelves, and we thank you for your generous interest.

Sincerely yours

hmj

In Charge of
Maine Author Collection

