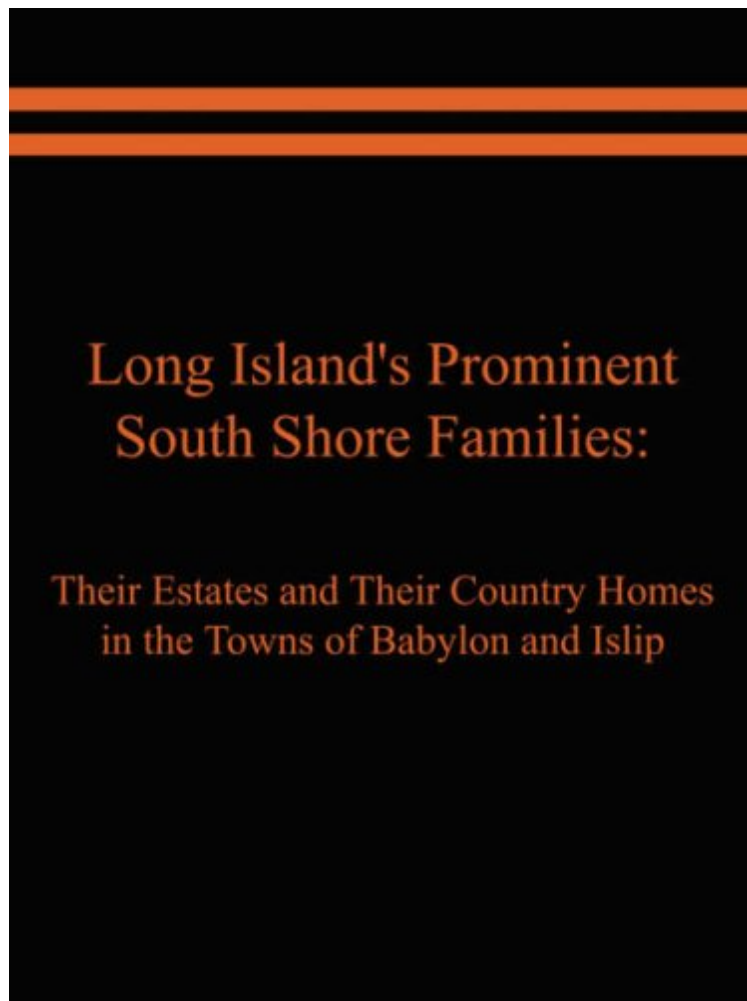


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then I suppose the cost would have been considerably greater. I cannot vouch for the accuracy of the entire book, but I do know that the entry on page 76 concerning the Foster family contains a number of basic errors. It appears that the authors used mostly secondary sources for the family information and did not check them against any primary documentation. From my own research I know that William R. Foster, Jr. was the son of William R. Foster, Sr. and Harriet Peers. He was not the son of John S. Foster (John S. was his brother). William Jr., accused of swindling the Produce Exchange, fled to Europe in 1888. While abroad he supposedly married Lulu Belote/Benoit whom he had passed off as his ward to Long Island society. In 1898 he was finally extradited to the US but was freed on \$20,000 bail and promptly disappeared. 0 of 1 people found the following review helpful. SOUTH SHORE FAMILIES By John C. Snedeker As a native of the area and familiar with many of the families and their homes profiled in the book, I consider the book to be an excellent and scholarly work, of great assistance in writing a family memoir. However, I did find a few factual errors and omissions. I have submitted corrections to the authors to be used in the event that they publish an up-date.

Following the same format as their critically acclaimed companion work about Long Island's North Shore families, "Long Island's Prominent South Families: Their Estates and Their Country Homes in the Towns of Babylon and Islip" documents 456 estate owners in a modified "Who's Who" format. Included are 290 photographs of the estates, biographical data on the estate owners and their families, locations of estates using current street references and village designations, estate names, architects, architectural styles, dates of construction, landscape architects, subsequent owners, location of archival photographs of the estates, and information as to whether mansions are still extant, and, if not, the dates of demolition. Cross-referenced in the second-section appendices are estate names, village locations of estates, as well as, architectural and landscape commissions. The civic activity and occupation appendices document the contribution of Long Islanders, including statesmen, intelligence agents, financiers, writers, and inventors. Maiden names, rehabilitative secondary uses of estates including golf courses which were formerly private estates, a general bibliography of the "Gilded Age," and a bibliography specific to individual estate owners, with the location of personal papers, have also been included.