

Ludlow Postal History

Aroostook County, Maine

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Ludlow was incorporated in 1864 from Belfast Academy Grant Plantation.

During the history of Ludlow, there has been only one post office.

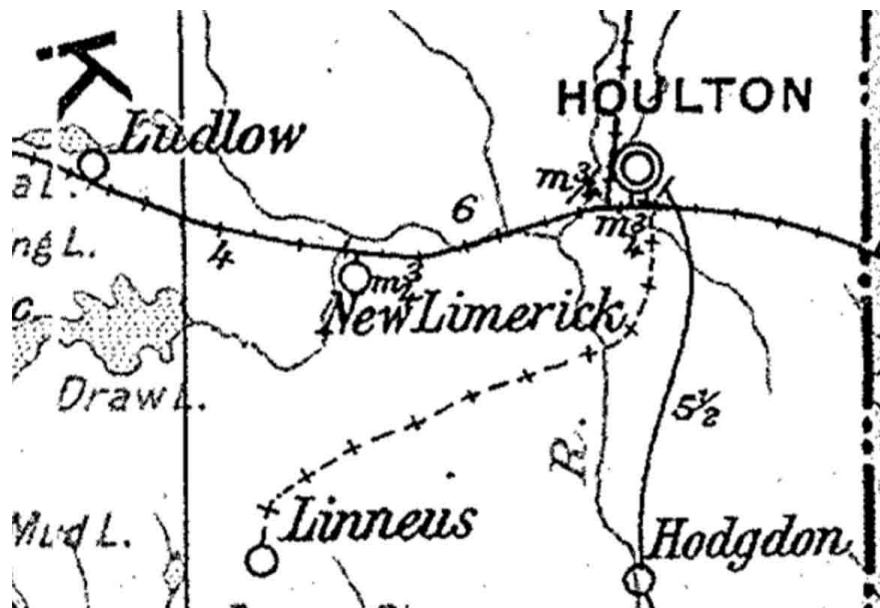
Briefly, the history of this one is as follows:

1. The former Hemore Post Office (in Smyrna) changed on 6 January 1897 to the Ludlow Post Office, which closed on 28 February 1945.

In 1914, there was only one post office in Ludlow: Ludlow.

(source: Post Route Map of the State of Maine 1914:

<http://www.mainephilatelic.org/PostRouteMaps/MainePostRouteMap1914.pdf>)



Post Offices from Ludlow are listed below. In addition, postmarks that collectors have provided from the towns/villages associated with Ludlow for this project have been included and are highlighted in blue.

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6 January 1897:

The former Hemore post office (in Smyrna) was changed to Ludlow post office.

19 October 1896:

John E. Webb became the Postmaster for the Hemore Post Office and remained as Postmaster when the Hemore Post Office name was changed to Ludlow Post Office.

13 April 1900:

Fletcher M. Cottle

6 March 1902:

Addoniram J. Chase

29 May 1903:

Oscar A. Stevens



22 December 1914:

The circular postmark is 32 mm in diameter with a four-bar (B)

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9 February 1932:

Mrs. Leah D. Shaw became the Acting Postmaster for the Ludlow Post Office.

8 March 1932:

Mrs. Leah D. Shaw became the Postmaster for the Ludlow Post Office.



10 August 1934:

The circular postmark is 33 mm in diameter with a four-bar (D)

1945 February 28:

Ludlow post office closed. Discontinued 13 February 1945: Mail to Houlton.

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Sources:

The Post Offices of Maine 2022, Maine Philatelic Society:

<http://www.mainephilatelic.org/books/TPOOM>.

Ludlow & New Limerick [map] from the 1877 Atlas of Aroostook County, Maine:

https://digitalmaine.com/atlas_aroostook_1877/19/.

Additional material, including links to official records of postmaster appointments, can be found at Sources for Researching Maine Post Offices, Postmasters, and Postal History:

<http://www.mainephilatelic.org/books/post-office-sources.pdf>.

National Archives Catalog, Postmaster Appointments for Aroostook County, Maine

<https://catalog.archives.gov/id/78746425>