

Chilmark January 23rd 1867. James Edmond Esq.
Dear Sir? ^{+ letter} Yours of the
15th was received on the 19th inst. and owing to the
weather, and the mail stopping is the reason
of not answering before.
As to the Bounds I mean = East Nor-
therly = as the Deed says. The Deed was
written on the 8 of June 1866. and re-
corded as follows = Dukes County ss.
September 25th 1866. At 1.45 P.M. Then
received, and recorded this Deed in the 39th
Book of Land Records, on page 361.

Attest Josiah H. Smith. Register. =
Now as I misunderstood your proposals,
I come to the conclusion that we will do
better to defer this matter until you come
on, and I give you my word that you will
have the Refusal, if we can agree as to
price.

Yours respectfully
Joseph Austin

Copy of a letter that I send to Smith May here

Mr. Smith May here. Sir

In answer to your notice that was handed to me
by Mr. Lambert, I ^{now} say that I did and have
enter your enclosure in the way leading from my
house to the North County Road where all the
inhabitants of Copiggon pass & repass, and not
only all the inhabitants of Copiggon, but all the
Citizens of the Town of Chilmark, and others have
passed & repassed for time immemorial with out
hindrance, or molestation, atime whereof the me-
mory of man is not the contrary: therefore the
said Joseph Austin says he has acquired right
with the Citizens of Copiggon, and all the Citizens
of the Town of Chilmark, and other, therefore the
said Joseph Austin says he shall still continue
to pass & repass in the way leading from said
Joseph Austins house to the N. County Road

Yours Sir
Chilmark October.
25. 1867.
Joseph Austin.