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### Flower Hill History Feb.'21

Flower Hill was the name for this area. There appeared a listing on the Town records as early as May 1, 1759. This was for a land transfer from Andries Onderdonck to his brother Henderick. Another reference to our village occurred when Mr. Henry Stoutenburgh's land was utilized during the Revolutionary War. This land was named Suttton's Hill. It became a lookout point during this war. When the British arrived here, the abundant flowers and good pasture lands made the area's name. The location was referred to as part of the Cow Neck peninsula. Flower Hill was on little or lower Cow Neck, Sands Point was considered upper Cow Neck.

During the start of the Revolutionary War, the northern area of Hempstead sided with the rebels and the remaining area to the south wanted British Control. Therefore, North Hempstead spilt off and the areas became North and South Hempstead. Eventually the South part of the name was dropped.

Flower Hill was known as a farming area even during its early days as a village in 1931. As Mr. Munson continued to purchase the land that he would eventually become the Village. His reason for buying up the more dilapidated homes was to clear this area of tenants so the land could eventually be sold to families that were of English and Dutch lineage.

Sources: Manhasset Chamber of Commerce, "Manhasset's, the First 300 years

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