**Introduction:** Franklin’s good friends William Coleman (1732) and Anthony Nicholas (11 July), both of whom belonged to the Junto and the Library Company, first appear in the accounts in 1732. Along with Robert Grace, Coleman aided Franklin in buying out Hugh Meredith in 1730. Coleman and Franklin remained lifelong friends despite political differences, and when Coleman went to London for surgery in 1768, Franklin looked out for him. Present too are freemasons James Bingham (14 Sept), Septimus Robinson (16 Sept), and Lewis Timothy (17 Oct). Timothy (d. 1738) was the first Librarian of the Library Company and later Franklin’s printing partner in Charleston, SC. Franklin’s Presbyterian minister, the Rev. Jedidiah Andrews (28 March), the joiner and Library Company member Nicholas Cassel (Feb), and the increasingly important merchant John Reynell (4 May) also bought on credit.

**Imprints:** On 27 Jan, John Pigot purchased a copy of Alexander Arscot’s *Some Considerations* (Miller 47); under Feb, BF charged the Rev. David Evans £4.1.3 for printing 3 and a quarter sheets of his catechism, *A Short Plain Help* (Miller 51), at 25s a sheet; on 13 April, Thomas Shaw bought a dozen Bowman’s sermons, *The Traditions of the Clergy* (Miller 49); on 8 April, Samuel Eckerling paid £10 toward printing Beissel’s hymnal, *Vorspiel der neuen-welt* (Miller 48); on 22 May, Richard Treat paid £5 toward printing the Rev. David Evans, *Minister of Christ* (Miller 50); on 20 June, BF charged his partner Thomas Whitemarsh (now often spelling his name *Whitmarsh*) for 50 *Honour of the Gout* (Miller 62), 20 Bowman’s *Traditions of the Clergy* (Miller 49), and 50 catechisms (Evans’s *Short Plain Help*, Miller 51); on 23 Aug, William Saunders purchased the *Votes and Proceedings* (Miller 59); on 14 Sept, James Bingham bought *Honour of the Gout* (Miller 62); ante 6 Oct, BF noted that he had finished Beissel’s hymnal (Miller 48) and been paid by Samuel Eckerling; on 6 Oct Richard Treat completed paying for
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printing the Rev. David Evans’s sermon, Minister of Christ (Miller 50; Miller has 9 Oct): “for Printing 4 Sheets at 25s and 1 half Sheet at 20s, 6.0.0.; for Paper 4 Ream and 1/4 a 16s, 3.8.0.; for Binding 400 a 4d per, 6.13.4; total 16.1.4”; and on 16 Dec, the Rev. David Evans bought a copy of his own sermon (Miller 50). To judge from the surviving accounts, the edition of Barclay’s Apology that BF imported from his brother James continued to sell well (12 Jan [2 copies], 21 Jan, 20 June [6 to Whitemarsh], 23 Aug, and 14 Oct).

Various job printings are recorded. Under Feb, BF charged Joseph Breintnal and Charles Brockden twice for 86 mortgages (Miller A47 and A48), once for 86 bonds and judgments (Miller A49), and once for 86 bonds (cf. A50); also under Feb, BF charged the loan office for advertisements (A51); on 1 March, Dr. Jones paid for Welsh tickets (cf. A40a); on 8 May, John Spence paid for a half ream of tobacco papers (A56); on 11 July Nicholas Scull paid for 200 bail bonds (A53; cf. Miller A52); on 23 Aug, Francis Bowes paid for 500 writs (A46); and on 20 Oct, Nicholas Scull paid for 200 bail bonds (A55) and 200 deputations (A54).

**The Shop:** To the list of products for sale at the printing office, Franklin and Deborah added goose feathers on 31 July and sealing wax on 12 Sept. Though skins first appeared in 1731, they became frequent in March 1732--BF bought and sold them for binding and for parchment documents. As usual, he loaned his neighbor Mrs. Staples wood during the winter (1 Dec). BF’s 7 Jan entry notes that Stephen Potts was still boarding with the Franklins and was now renting a shop, evidently beginning in Nov 1731. BF continued to run a tab for him, evidently charging no commission for the binding and pasting that Potts did for BF’s customers (I. Norris, 11 Aug), perhaps because he thought this service increased his other business. In barter, John Reynall paid his account in pepper (4 May). BF settled his accounts with his partner Timothy (whose name he still usually spelled “Timothee”) on 8 April and 6 Oct. (Louis
Timothee changed his name to Lewis Timothy when he moved to South Carolina.) Edward Nichols received credit from BF “For turning my Screw” (1732), presumably adjusting BF’s printing press.

**1732 Chronology [Calendar 14]:**

£160.90 Pa currency = £100 sterling; McCusker 184.

3 Jan, Monday. St. John’s Lodge, for Quota, 0.0.6. Liber B.

4 Jan, Tuesday. Henry Jones, Dr. Advertisements in Gazette not paid, N162 [4 Jan], 5.0. Ledger A&B 368. Same as 28 Dec 1731 (PG #161, 28 Dec 1731). Also Ledger A&B 252.

---. John Lee Dr. For an Advt. in Gazette, N162 [4 Jan], 5.0. Ledger A&B 186, 368.

6 Jan, Thursday. Then adjusted accounts with Mrs. Read; and she is Dr to Balance the Shop Account, 2.13.9 1/2. For Rent Due the 2nd Instant, 3.0.0. [see 7 July 1731.] For Board 6 Months due at Nov Fair last, 5.0.0. [Evidently she began boarding with the Franklins in June 1731.] Total 10.13.9 1/2; And she is Creditor for cash I borrowed, 10.0.0; For Commissions, 3.2.11; Total 13.2.11; Also for a Ream of Paper, 1.3.0. for 1/2 a Ream to Bustil, 9.0. Ledger A&B 24, 204-5 (up to “Total”).

---. Mrs. Read, Dr for 2400 English Quills, 3.0.0.; for 1/2 Ream Paper, 7.6. Ledger A&B 24. “For Sundries,” 14.1.3&1/2. Ledger A&B 204. Same as 6 Jan. At the end of the “Contra” entry on A&B 204, Franklin added: “Mem. When we settled, her Board was settled till Nov Fair last, and her Rent to the second Instant.”

---. Edward Shippen Dr. For a Bottle Ink, 1.0. Ledger A&B 192.

7 Jan, Friday. Then adjusted Accounts with Stephen Potts, reckoning the Shop Rent to the beginning of Nov last, and his Diet to the 21st of Dec last. and he is Debtor to Balance
Eight Pounds Eight Shillings and Nine pence half penny, 8.8.9 1/2. Dr for Calve Skins, 12.0. Ledger A&B 24.


12 Jan, Wednesday. Simon Edgel Dr for an Advertisement in Gazette 161 [28 Dec 1731], 5.0. Ledger A&B 24.

---. Caleb Evans of Radnor, Dr. For 1 Barclays Apology, 9.0.; For 2 Aristotles, 9.0. Ledger A&B 24 (first entry only), 252. Barclay was advertised in Arscot; cf. Miller 47. BF bought 50 copies from James Franklin; Ledger A&B 247.

---. Richard Jarvas Dr for an Advertisement, 5.0, paid. Ledger A&B 24.

---. H. Keith, Esq., Dr for 2 Doz of Bonds and Judgments at 5s per, 10.0; for 1 Doz. Counter Bonds, 3.0. Ledger A&B 24, 224.

---. George Megee Dr for an Advertisement in Gaz. 161 [28 Dec 1731], 3.0. the same continu’d, 2.0. Ledger A&B 24 (lacks “the same continu’d”), 250.

---. Edward Nichols, Dr. For a Psalter, 1.8. Ledger A&B 246.

---. Isaac Norris Junior Dr for an Advertisement in Gazette 161 [28 Dec 1731], 5.0. Ledger A&B 24.

---. Nicholas Scull, Dr. Brought from Page 4, 12.5.5-1/2. Dr. For 1 pair Servt. Indentures, 0.6. Ledger A&B 24 (middle entry only), 252.

---. Thomas Skelton, Dr. For Barclay’s Apology, 8.0.; For 1 quire Paper 1/3 and 1 Bible in Verse 4, 1.7. Ledger A&B 24 (first entry only), 218.

15 Jan, Saturday. Joseph Jackson, Bristol, Dr. For 4 Doz Book Alm. 14/ and 6 Sheets 1/3, 15.3. Dr. For an Advt. in Gazette, No. 240 [5 July 1733], 5.0. Ledger A&B 176.
---. Thomas Shreeve of Burlington, Dr. For 8 Doz. Book Almanacks, 1.8. Ledger A&B 260.


---. Samuel Worthington, Dr. For advertisements, 8.0. Ledger A&B 202.


---. Wm. Williams of Uwchlan, Dr for 1 Barclay’s Apology, 9.0. Ledger A&B 24.

24 Jan, Monday. John Hood, Dr. For a Bottle Ink, 1.0. Ledger A&B 282.

---. Small Debts. Filled 25 more [bottles of ink], 1.5.; Since at 3 Times 24 more, 1.4. Ledger A&B 371.


1 Feb, Tuesday. Ephraim Andrews [Andrews & Postlethwaite], Dr. For an Advt.in Gazette N166[1 Feb], 5.0. Ledger A&B 272, 368.


---. Clement Plumstead Dr. For 200 English Quills, 8.0. Ledger A&B 184. Same as Feb.

---. Cha. Read, Esq., Dr. For an Herbal, 2.15.0. Ledger A&B 178. Ledger A&B 25.


7 Feb, Monday. St. John’s Lodge, to Quota, 0.0.6. Liber B.


---. Mrs. Mankin, Dr. 1.9.5. Continu’d Carried to Ledger E, Fol. 11. Ledger A&B 243.
---. John Lloyd, Dr. For an Advt. in Gazette N170 [29 Feb], 3.0. Ledger A&B 242.


Feb. [no date specified; “Feb” is written at the top of Ledger A&B 25. The third entry proves that some charges were incurred much earlier: the loan office advertisement appeared in PG #150, 7 Oct 1731. On the other hand, the last item in the following series probably dates from March 1732.]

---. Mr. Beaghan, Dr for 1/2 Ream Paper, paid. 1.6. Ledger A&B 25.

---. J. Breintnal & C. Brockden, Dr For printing 86 Mortgages at 2d, 14.4 [Miller A47, giving 14s.6d and date for all these entries as 21 Jan]; For Ditto 86 Copies at Ditto, 14.4 [Miller A48]; For Ditto 86 Bonds & Judgments, 14.4 [A49]; For Ditto 86 Bonds at 1d, 7.2 [A50]; For 10 Quire Papers at 1s, 10.0; For Pasting, 2.6; For Paper & Pasting more, 5.0., Total 3.2.8. [The total did not include for last 5s.] Ledger A&B 25. Ledger A&B 254 has 3.6.8 total “For Sundrys.”

---. Mr. Nicholas Cassel, 1 Barclay, 9.0. Ledger A&B 25.

---. Rev. Mr. Evans, Dr for 4 small Books, 6.0; 1 Durham on the Canticles, 4.0; 1 Confession of Faith, 8.0; 3 Ream Paper, 2.5.0; Printing 3 Sheets and a quarter of Catechism at 25s, 4.1.3 [the catechism, David Evans, A Short Plain Help for Parents, was advertised on 30 March; Miller 51]; stitching 100, 5.0; Binding 1 Dozen, 6.0, all paid. Ledger A&B 25.

---. Joseph Gray [Grey?] Dr for an Advertisement, 5.0. Ledger A&B 25. Same as 1 Feb?

---. Joseph Growdon, Esq., Dr. Brought from Page 712, 1.9.11. Dr. For 1/2 Doz. Bonds & Judgments, 2.6.; For 2 quire Papr bound in Marble, 5.6. Ledger A&B 25 (bonds & judgments only), 252.

---. Henry Keith, Esq., Dr. For 1 Bill Sale, 0.3.; For 1 quire Papr., 2.0. Ledger A&B 25 (first
entry only), 224.


---. Mr. Edward Nichols Dr for 2 quire Paper, 2.4. Ledger A&B 25, 246.

---. Mr. Pastorius, 1 Bottle Ink, 1.0. paid. Ledger A&B 25.

---. Clement Plumstead Esq., Dr for 200 English Quills, 8.0. Ledger A&B 25. Same as 1 Feb?


1 March, Wednesday. Dr. Jones, Paracelsus, Dr. For printing Welsh Tickets, 1.0.0. Dr. For an Advt. in Gazette No. 167 [8 Feb], 5.0. Ledger A&B 194. Miller 40a dated the Welsh tickets 1730/1, but I suspect it should be 1731/2.

---. Dr. Shaw, Burlington, Contra, Cr. For Cash, 0.18.0. Ledger A&B 191.

3 March, Friday. Mr. Faris, (Shoemaker) Dr. For 3 Quire Paper, 4.0. Ledger A&B 282.

4 March, Saturday. Evan Morgan, Shopkeeper, Dr. For Advertisements, N.120 [4 March; ad not identified], 7.6. Ledger A&B 174. Cf. 6 May 1730.

6 March, Monday. Charles Read, Esq., Dr. For a Quire Demi Royal Paper, 4.0. Ledger A&B 178.

---. St. John’s Lodge, for absence 1s & Quota 6, 0.1.6. Liber B.
7 March, Tuesday. Caleb Evans of Radnor, Dr. For 1 Aristotle, 4.6. Ledger A&B 252.

---. Lawrence Williams, Contra, Cr. For Cash in full, 10.0. Ledger A&B 229.

16 March, Thursday. Michael Jobson, For an Advertisement in Gazette 172 [16 March], 5.0. Ledger A&B 274 (no date), 368.

---. Daniel Pegg Dr. For an Advt. in Gazette N172 [16 March], 5.0. Ledger A&B 182, 368.


---. Francis Sherard, Dr. For a Bott. Ink, 1.0. Ledger A&B 206.

17 March, Friday. Then adjusted Accounts with Mr. Evan Morgan, Shopkeeper, and I am Dr to Ballance Three Shillings & Three Pence. Two Years News were accounted for. Ledger A&B 26, 175, 255.

---. Charles Read, Esq., Dr For a blank Book of 4 quire, 10.0; & Binding Pastoral Letters, 2.0. Dr. For an Advt. in Gazette N173 [23 March], 5.0. Ledger A&B 26 (first two entries), 178.


---. William Crossthwaite Dr. For 1 quire Paper, 1.6. Ledger A&B 182.


---. Thomas Shreeve of Burlington, Dr. For 1 Barclay, 8.0. Contra, Cr. For Cash, 14.0.; For 3 Doz. Almk. return’d, 10.6.; For Cash in full, 17.6. Ledger A&B 260-61.


22 March, Wednesday. Francis Sherard, Dr. For 2 Sheets Demi Royal, 0.6. Ledger A&B 206.

23 March, Thursday. Ephraim Andrews [Andrews & Postlethwaite] Dr. For an Advt. in Gazette N173 [23 March], 3.0. Dr. in Gazette N174 [30 March], 5.0. Ledger A&B 272, 368.

---. Evan Morgan, Shopkeeper, Dr. For 1 Years News, 10.0. Ledger A&B 254.

---. Francis Sherard, Dr. For 1 Sheet Demi Royal, 0.3. Ledger A&B 206.

24 March, Friday. Edward Nichols, Dr. For a Psalter, 1.8. Ledger A&B 246.

Ante 25 March, Saturday. Mogridge & Cassel, Dr. For Barclay’s Apology, 0.9.0. Ledger A&B 226.

27 March, Monday. Francis Sherard, Dr. For Wafers, 0.2. Ledger A&B 206.

28 March, Tuesday. Enoch Anderson Junior Dr for Sundries, 15.5. Paid. Bought 5 par’d Skins, 5.4; 2 Ditto, 3.4; a Calf Skin, 4.6; 6 Pasteboard, 4.6; 3 Calf Skins, 9.0. Ledger A&B 26.


---. Jacob Duche Dr for Cash, 1.0.0. Paid. Ledger A&B 26.

---. Messrs. [Wm.] Mogridge & Cassel, Dr. For Cash, 17.0. Ledger A&B 26, 226.

---. Evan Morgan, Shopkeeper, Dr. For Advertisements 12.6.; For 1 pair Servts. Indent., 0.6.

Ledger A&B 26 (first entry only), 254.


29 March, Wednesday. Capt. Wright, Dr, For a Bottle Ink, 1.0. Ledger A&B 240.

---. Wm. Coleman [carpenter, deceased], For an Advt. in Gazette N174 [30 March], 5.0. Ledger A&B 274, 368 (listing PG #175, 6 April).

---. Mr. James Macky, Dr. For Advert. Tea and Sugar, 5.0. Ledger D 33A.

3 April, Monday. St. John’s Lodge, to Quota 6, 0.6. Liber B.


---. Jacob Duche, Credit for Cash, 1.0.0. as above. Ledger A&B 26.


---. Evan Powel, Dr for Advertisements, 5.0. Ledger A&B 26, 254.


---. Settled Account with Mr. Timothee & I am Dr, 2.8.10. Ledger A&B 26.


---. Thomas Shaw, Esq., of New Castle, Dr. For 1 Doz Bowman’s Sermons [Miller 49], 6.0; For a Years Gazette, 10.0. Ledger A&B 224. (Note: the year is written over and could be 1734.)


27 April, Thursday. William Biddle, Dr. For Advertisements for Richd. Wright, 8.0.; For Advertisements of Prisoners escaped, 10.0. Ledger A&B 26 (former entry gives amount as 7.6), 218, 368 (first entry only, giving amount as 5.0; perhaps these are for different ads).
---. John Cadwalader, Dr. For an Advt. in Gaz. N178 [27 April], 5.0. Ledger A&B 192, 368.


---. Stephan Potts Dr for Cash Tax, 6.0; 1 Bottle Ink, 1.0. Ledger A&B 26.

---. Nicholas Reddish Dr for Hat bills, 7.6. Ledger A&B 26, 214.

1 May, Monday. St. John’s Lodge, for absence 1s & quota 6d, 0.1.6. Liber B.

4 May, Thursday. Reynel, Advertisements in Gazette not paid for Aug. 18/1732. N179 [4 May], 3.0. Paid in Pepper. Ledger A&B 368. Ad not identified; perhaps the ad in PG #180, 11 May, for “A Likely young Negro Fellow ... Enquire of the Printer hereof.”

8 May, Monday. Received of Mr. Evans of Tredyffryn, Cash, 5.0.0. Ledger A&B 27.

---. Received of Samuel Eckerling, Cash towards printing the Book, 10.0.0. Ledger A&B 27.

Beissel’s hymnal; Miller 48. Cf. 20 March, 6 Oct 1732.

---. Lindley Dr for Advertisement, 5.0. Ditto in News [Runaway from Thomas Lindley, PG #179, 4 May], 3.0. Ledger A&B 27, 254, 368.

---. John Spence Dr for 1/2 Ream Tobacco Papers [Miller A56], 5.0. Ledger A&B 27, 188. Same as “Estate of Mr. John Spence, Dr. For 1/2 Ream Tobacco Papers, 5.0.” (V66:34b).

---. White & Taylor Dr. For 1/2 pint Red Ink, 1.0. Ledger A&B 180. Same as 22 May?

9 May, Tuesday. Simon Meredith Dr for Goods of my Mother by his Son James, Linen, &c., 11.8. Ledger A&B 46, 264.


17 May, Wednesday. Jenkin Davis, Dr. For a gilt Bible, 8.0. Ledger A&B 282.

May], 5.0. Ledger A&B 368. Cf. 15 May 1731.

    Rawle, 5.0. Ledger A&B 194, 368. Cf. 4 Dec 1729.

21 May, Sunday. Mr. Simon Edgell, Dr. For a Book, Penal Bills 6/3 & 1 Doz. Bonds, 9.3.
    Ledger A&B 170.

22 May, Monday. Isaac Norris Junr. Dr for pasting Pictures, 6.0. Ledger A&B 27, 188. Same as
    11 Aug, where “S. Potts” evidently did the pasting. Cf. 11 Aug, S. Potts.

---. John Reynall Dr for Advertisements, 8.0. paid. Ledger A&B 27.

---. Received of Mr. Treat Five Pound towards Mr. Evan’s Sermons [David Evans, *The Minister
    of Christ*; Miller 50], 5.0.0. Ledger A&B 27. Cf. chronology, 26 Sept 1732. See also 5
    and 19 Oct.

---. White & Taylor Dr for 1/2 pint Red Ink, 1.0. Ledger A&B 27. Same as 8 May.

24 May, Wednesday. Myrick Davis Dr. For a Bottle Ink, 1.0. Dr. For a quire Paper, 1.8. Ledger
    A&B 184.

25 May, Thursday. Peter Lloyd, Dr. For Cambridge’s Advt. in Gaz. N 182 [25 May], 5.0. Ledger
    A&B 198, 368.

---. Daniel Pegg Dr. For an Advt. in Gazette N182 [25 May], 5.0. Ledger A&B 182.

29 May, Monday. Ann Chandler, Dr. For 1 quire Papr. 1.4.; For a Bottle Ink, 1.0.; For a Cake of
    Soap, 1.0.; For 2 Doz. Almanacks, 7.0. Ledger A&B 248.

1 June, Thursday. Peter Cuff. Advertisements in Gazette not paid for Aug. 18/1732. N183 [1 June].

3 June, Saturday. Received of [Rev.?] Mr. Evans, Cash, 3.0.0. Ledger A&B 27.
5 June, Monday. St. John’s Lodge, for Quota 6, 0.0.6., mistake 19 <for absence 1s & Quota 6p 2.11.7 - .1.6>, [crossed out], 2.11.1. Liber B. Perhaps the meeting was not on 5 but 19 June, and BF originally also made a mistake in the account.

8 June, Thursday. Jacob Scuten, Dr. For an Advt. in Gazette N184 [8 June], 3.0. Ledger A&B 274, 368.

15 June, Thursday. Enoch Anderson, Dr. For Advt. in Gazette N185 [15 June], 5.0. Ledger A&B 274, 368.

20 June, Tuesday. Mr. Holloway, an Advertisement, 5.0. paid. Ledger A&B 27.

---. Edward Nichols Dr for 3 quire Waste Papers, 1.0. Ledger A&B 27, 246.

---. To Thomas Whitemarsh lately sent per Capt. Leaper [Captain Henry Leaper, Sloop Ann & Mary, “Cleared” for South Carolina, 23 March, PG], 50 Gout Books [Philander Misiatrus, The Honour of the Gout; Miller 62]. per Capt. Shute [Captain Joseph Shute, Sloop Dove, “Cleared” for SC on 8 June, PG], 6 Barclay’s Apologies, 2.8.0; per Capt Haskins [Captain Benjamin Haskins, Brigantine John, “Cleared” for SC, 26 June, PG], 20 Bowman’s Sermons, 10.0 [William Bowman, The Traditions of the Clergy; Miller 49; see chronology, 30 March 1732]; per Capt Shute, 2 Pair of Cases; per Capt Hoskins, 1 Desk on his proper Account, 1.15.0; per Ditto, an Imposing Stone; 50 Catechisms [David Evans, A Short Plain Help for Parents; Miller 51]. Ledger A&B 27; printed in Eddy 1:15. These accounts are mentioned in the ledger under 13 Sept 1731, but only as “sundries” by the various captains’ names.

21 June, Wednesday. Francis Sherard, Dr. For 1 quire Pap. 1/10, English quills 1/, 1 quire Pap. 1/3, 4.1. Ledger A&B 206.

29 June, Thursday. H. Keith, Esq., Dr. For 1 quire Post Paper 2/ & a Gilt red Ink, 6d, 2.6. Ledger
A&B 225.

---. BF bought of Arent Hassert 10[5?] lb. [3 letters?] in [6 letters?] at [?d], 3.13.6. [Hassert’s
difficult handwriting; BF added the following:] Memo. June 29 that in this Bill there is

By Cash, 5.0. Ledger A&B 257.

3 July, Monday. John Cooker, Dr. For an Advt. in Gazette 188 [3 July; an ad for a lost silver
headed cane w/ the initials JC], 5.0. Ledger A&B 274, 368.

---. St. John’s Lodge, for quota, 0.0.6. Liber B.

10 July, Monday. H. Keith, Esq., Dr. For 1 Bot. Ink, 1.0. Ledger A&B 224.

Ledger A&B 170, 368. Same as 11 July.

---. Mr. [Joseph] Read of Trentown, For an Advt. in Gazette N189 [10 July; ad not identified]
brot by Macky, 5.0. Contra, Cr. For Cash 5.0. Ledger A&B 256-57. Cf. 21 March 1733.

11 July, Tuesday. William Bistwell [Butwell?] Dr for Advertisements, 8.0. paid. Ledger A&B
27.

---. William Crossthwaite Dr for Advertisements, 5.0. Ledger A&B 27, 182. Dr. For binding a
Dictionary 2/; 1 quire Paper 1/3, 3.3. Dr. For binding a Mariners Compass 1/6 with Dict
2/, 3.6. Dr. For 2 Quire Paper 3/4, 3.4. Ledger A&B 182.

---. Wm. Davis Dr for Ink, 0.4; for outside Paper, 0.4. Ledger A&B 27 (first item only), 216.

---. Simon Edgel, Advt for Cox, 8.0. Ledger A&B 28. Same as 10 July & 20 July.

---. Joseph Hayes Dr for Advertisements, 8.0. paid. Ledger A&B 27.
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---. Messrs. Mogridge & Cassel, Dr. For 1 pint Oil, 1.0.; For an Acct. Book and 2 Almanacks].

5.1. Ledger A&B 27 (first entry only), 226.

---. Anthony Nichols [Nicholas] Dr for Cash, 15.0. Ledger A&B 27, 256 (date only 1732?).


[Also] Dr. For Advert. in Gazette 238 [21 June 1733], 5.0. [The following entry is crossed out:] <For Advt. in Gazette N189 [10 July].> Ledger A&B 184, 368.

---. Nicholas Scull Dr for 200 Bails, 16.8 [Miller A53, giving 2 July]. Ledger A&B 27, 252.


20 July, Thursday. Andr. Hamilton, Esq., Dr. For 100 Quills, 2.0. Ledger A&B 224.

---. Evan Morgan, Shopkeeper, Dr. For 1 Doz. Bonds 3.0. Ledger A&B 254.

---. Samuel Par, Dr. For (omitted in last settlement) 2 Bonds, 0.8.; For a Vademecum [Miller 98?], 4.0.; For every Man his own Dr [probably Miller 84; therefore this entry must be later]. 1.0.; For 1/2 150 Advs with Wm. Mode, 5.0.; [query?] For Advt. of Palmer’s Vessel, 5.0. 17.2. Ledger A&B 282.

24 July, Monday. Samuel Hale, Dr. For a Bond, 0.4. Ledger A&B 190.

27 July, Thursday. A. Hamilton, Dr for 2 Sheets large Paper, 0.3. Ledger A&B 28.


31 July, Monday. Enoch Anderson, Dr. For Advt. in Gazette N192 [31 July], 5.0. Ledger A&B 274, 368.
--- Josiah Rolph, Advertisements in Gazette not paid for Aug. 18/1732. N192 [31 July], 3.0.

Ledger A&B 368. Ad not identified; perhaps “A Likely New Negro Boy . . . Enquire of the Printer hereof.” Cf. 20 April 1731.

3 Aug, Thursday. Geo. Cunningham, Dr. For Wig Bills, 8.0.; For a Book Acct, 2.0.; For 1 quire Papr, 1.8. Ledger A&B 28 (second item only), 226.

---. Wm. Davis outside Paper, 0.2. Ledger A&B 28.

5 Aug, Saturday. Capt. Rice, Dr. For 2 Bonds, 8d; a Bill Sale 3, 0.11. Ledger A&B 282.

7 Aug, Monday. St. John’s Lodge, for quota. Liber B.

10 Aug, Thursday. David Parry [Perry] (Abington), Dr. For a Bond, 4d; 3 Servt. Indents. 9d, 1.1.


---. Then adjusted Accounts with Stephen Potts, and he is Dr to Ballance One Pound Eight Shillings and four pence half penny, 1.8.4 1/2. Ledger A&B 28.

11 Aug, Friday. Isaac Norris Junr Dr for Pasting, 6.0. Ledger A&B 28. Same as 22 May?

---. Stephen Potts Dr to 3 Arisses [?], 7.6; to his Assumption for Wm. Mode, 6.0. Ledger A&B 28. Credit for binding Com. Prayer, 5.0; Ditto for Pasting Pictures, 6.0 [cf. 22 May, Norris]. Ledger A&B 28. Evidently BF paid Potts for pasting exactly what he charged Norris, taking no commission.

16 Aug, Wednesday. Lent to Mrs. Staples at one time, 1.0.0. Ledger A&B 31.


---. Dr. Jones, Advertisement in Gazette not paid for, N. 167 [8 Feb], 5.0. Ledger A&B 368.


---. Mr. William Davis a quire Paper, 1.2; for red ink, 6d. Ledger A&B 28 (first item only), 216.

---. Richard Hayes Dr for Advertisements, 8.0. paid. Ledger A&B 28.

---. Anthony Nichols Dr for 1 Barclay, 8.0; for 1 Bible gilt, 7.6. Ledger A&B 28, 256 (date only 1732?).

---. John Owen, Esq, Chester Dr for Advertisements, 5.0. Ledger A&B 28, 226.

---. Joseph Read, Trentown, Dr For 1 Ream Paper, 15.0; For a Blank Book of Notes, 6.6; For a Bottle Ink, 1.0. Ledger A&B 28. Dr. For sundries, 1.2.6.; For 1/2 Doz. [not specified], 5.0. Ledger A&B 256.

---. William Saunders Dr for Votes [Miller 59], 0.9. Ledger A&B 28.

---. Daniel Walker Dr for Advertisements, 8.0. paid. Ledger A&B 28.

26 Aug, Saturday. John Emerson, Dr. For 3 Pocket Books at 2/, 6.0.; For a Bond, 0.4. Ledger A&B 282.

27 Aug, Sunday. Francis Bowes, Esq., Dr. For 500 Writs, 1.5.0. Ledger A&B 256. Same as 23 Aug. [Also] Contra For Cash paid Joseph Peace, 1.5.0. Ledger A&B 257.


1 Sept, Friday. Capt. Rice, Dr. For 2 Pair Servts. Indentures, 1.0. Ledger A&B 282.
4 Sept, Monday. Mr. James Macky [Mackey], Dr. For an Ounce Wafers, 0.6. For an Advt. for Postgate, 5.0. For a Book of 4 quire demiroyal, 1.8.0. [these first three in Ledger A&B 246, and 378, though the charge for the last on 378 is 1.3.0.] For Advt. of West India Salt, 5.0. Ledger D 33A has all four charges, with the book of demiroyal again 1.8.0.

---. St. John’s Lodge, for quota, 0.0.6. Liber B.


9 Sept, Saturday. Edward Williams, Dr. For a pair Arbitration Bonds, 0.8. Ledger A&B 282.


---. Then adjusted Accounts with Mr. John Jones and made all even. Ledger A&B 28.

---. Francis Sherrard Dr for a Quire of Paper, 1.2. Ledger A&B 28, 206

14 Sept, Thursday. James Bingham, Dr. For a Bottle Ink, 1.0.; [The succeeding entries are all probably later:] For a Gout Book [Miller 62], 1.0.; For 1 quire of Demi Paper bound [in margin, “query another”], 6.6.; For binding a Mason Book [Miller 80?], 1.6.; For a french Dictionary 16/, Telemachus 8/, 1.4.0.; For a Latin Virgil, 4.6.; For the Gazette 1/2 a Year, 5.0.; 2.3.6. Ledger A&B 284.

15 Sept, Friday. Edward Shippen Dr. For a Bottle Ink, 1.0. Dr. For Gazette, 2 Years & 1/4, 1.2.6. Total 1.8.6. Ledger A&B 192.


---. Edward Nichols, Dr. For a doz. Psalters, 16.0. Ledger A&B 246.

---. Nichols Turner, Dr for a Doz Psalters, 16.0. Ledger A&B 47.


20 Sept, Wednesday. A. Wilkinson, Dr. For a Psalter, 1.8. Ledger A&B 272.
23 Sept, Saturday. Edward Williams, Dr. For a Power of Attorney, 0.4. Ledger A&B 282.

26 Sept, Tuesday, John Lee Dr. For an Advt N200 [26 Sept; ad not identified], 10.0. Ledger A&B 186.

---. Cha. Read, Esq., Dr. For 3 Doz. penal Bills at 9d, 2.3. Ledger A&B 178.


---. Lent to Mrs. Staples at another time, 1.0.0. Ledger A&B 31.

29 Sept, Friday. A Wilkinson, Dr. For a quire Book, 2.0. Ledger A&B 272.

3 Oct, Tuesday. Capt. Rice, Dr. For a Bond 4d, 2 pair Servts. Indent. 1/, 1.4. Ledger A&B 282.

Ante 6 Oct, Friday. [BF wrote:] Last week I finished the Dutch [Conrad Beissel, Vorspiel der Neuen-Welt; Miller 48] for Samuel Eckerling and receiv’d of him as much cash as makes all even between us. Ledger A&B 26, 27, 29. Cf. 20 March and 8 May. See also below, 6 Oct.

6 Oct, Friday. Mr. Crosswaite binding a Dictionary, 2.0; 1 Quire Paper, 1.3. Ledger A&B 29.

---. Samuel Pas Dr for Cash paid his boy, 1.10.0, settled. Ledger A&B 29.

---. Skelton Dr for 2 Psalm books, 5.0; and 1 quire Paper, 1.2. Ledger A&B 29. Same as 20 Oct.


---. Mr. Snowdon Dr for a Sermon, settled, 1.3. Ledger A&B 29.

---. Then adjusted Accounts with Mr. Timothy, and upon the whole he is Dr to Ballance Sixpence, 0.6. Ledger A&B 28.

---. Mr. Richard Treat Dr for Paper Printing & Binding of Mr. Evans’s Sermon, viz. for Printing
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4 Sheets at 25s and 1 half Sheet at 20s, 6.0.0.; for Paper 4 Ream and 1/4 a 16s, 3.8.0.; for Binding 400 a 4d per, 6.13.4; total 16.1.4; Received 22 May, 5L and 5L since; remains due 6.1.4. Settled. Ledger A&B 29. Cf. 22 May; on 19 Oct, Rev. Mr. Richard Treat was charged for an edition of 400 copies of Miller 50.


---. Thomas Patterson, Dr. For an Advt. in Gazette N202 [9 Oct], 5.0. Ledger A&B 274, 368.

12 Oct, Thursday. D. French Esq. Dr for a Doz of Parchments. Query if he did not send Money for them, 1.4.0. Ledger A&B 47, 230.

14 Oct, Saturday. Memorandum To enquire of P. Loyd if he had a Barclay’s Apology on Credit. Ledger A&B 47.

17 Oct, Tuesday. Louis Timothee, Dr. For an Advt. in Gazette N225 [22 March 1732/3], 5.0.; For a pair Servts. Indentures, 0.6. Ledger A&B 278, 284 (last entry only).

18 Oct, Wednesday, Edward Horne Dr. For an Almanack, 0.5. Ledger A&B 194.

19 Oct, Thursday. Jacob Kendrick, Dr. For 2 pair Indentures, 1.0. Ledger A&B 284.

---. St. John’s Lodge, for quota, 0.6. Liber B.

20 Oct, Friday, Mr. Scull 220 Bail Bonds [Miller A55], 18.4; and 200 Deputations [Miller A54], 16.8. Ledger A&B 29, 252.

---. Thomas Skelton, Dr. For 2 Psalmbooks 5/ and 1 quire Papr. 1/2, 6.2. Ledger A&B 218. Same as 6 Oct.


---. Joseph Barber, Dr. For an Advt. in Gazette N204 [26 Oct], 5.0. Ledger A&B 274, 368.

---. Wm. Morgan, Ad in gazette, 5.0. Ledger A&B 368.
---. Mr. Pywell, [William Pywell, Tanner]. For Advt. in Gazette N204 [26 Oct], 3.0.; For Advt. single, 5.0. Cr. by cash, 8s. Ledger A&B 276-77, 366 (debit only).

---. Wm. Pringle, Spoons, Advertisements in Gazette. N204 [26 Oct; ad not identified], 5.0. Ledger A&B 274, 368.

---. Anthony Wright, near Bristol, Dr. For Advt. in Gazette, N204 [26 Oct], 5.0. Ledger A&B 274, 368.

6 Nov, Monday. for absence 1s & Quota 6p, 0.1.6. Liber B.


---. Capt. Rice, Dr. For 2 Bonds, 0.8. Ledger A&B 282.

9 Nov, Thursday. Settled with Mr. Evans and he is Dr to Ballance, 5.8.9. Credited for cash 2.0.0. Ledger A&B 29.

---. Mr. Vantilburgh [Peter Van Tilburgh], Dr. For an Advt. in Gazette 206 [9 Nov], 5.0. Ledger A&B 276, 368.

11 Nov, Saturday. Capt. Rice, Dr. For a pair Indents, 0.6. Ledger A&B 282.


---. Jacob Duche Dr for binding a Testament, 1.6. Ledger A&B 29, 212.


---. Sent to T. Whitemarsh by Capt. Rice in the Ann Second [Captain John Rice, Schooner Ann “cleared” on 16 Nov, PG]: #1, A Barrel Buckwheat, 12.8; #2, A Barrel Tobacco, 1.16.6; #3, An Earthen or Stone Pot, 6.0; #4, 4 Dozen Aleppo Ink, 1.16.0; #5, A pair Cases; A Gallon Varnish, 10.0; a Gallon Bottle, 2.0; A pair Ball Stocks, 2.0; #6 & 7, 2 Doz Aristotle, L3. Total, 5.5.2. Ledger A&B 29; printed in Eddy 1:15-16 (omitting the price...
of Aristotle). This account is mentioned in the ledger under 13 Sept 1731.


---. Sept. Robinson, Esq., Dr. An Advt. in Gazette N207 [16 Nov], 5.0. Ledger A&B 276, 368.

---. Louis Timothee, Dr. For 6 Sheets best Paper, 0.6. Ledger A&B 278.


23 Nov, Thursday. John Morris, Dr. For a Quire Paper, 1.4. Ledger A&B 284.

25 Nov, Saturday. Francis Sherard, Dr. For a quire Paper, 1.8. Ledger A&B 206.

1 Dec, Friday. Lent to Mrs. Staples at another Time, 10.0; At another Time for Portage, 3.1; 3/4 of a Cord of Hickery, 15.0. Ledger A&B 31.

2 Dec, Saturday. Louis Timothee, Dr. For a Bottle Mustard, 1.0. Ledger A&B 278.

4 Dec, Monday. St. John’s Lodge, for absence 1s & Quota 6p, 0.0.6. Liber B.

6 Dec, Wednesday. [John Reynell’s Day Book, 1 July 1731 to 19 Dec 1732, mentions Franklin on page 89:] Richard Deeble’s Outst Dr [outstanding debt] to Benja. Franklin for printing Advertisements, 8s. PHS.

---. William Crossthwaite Dr. For a Testament, 2.6. Ledger A&B 182.

13 Dec, Wednesday. Thomas Green, Dr. For a quire Paper, 1.6. Ledger A&B 268.

16 Dec, Saturday. David Evans Dr for a Single Sermon [The Minister of Christ; Miller 50], 1.3. Ledger A&B 47.

18 Dec, Monday. Messrs. Mogridge & Cassel, Dr. for an Almanack 0.5. Ledger A&B 226.

28 Dec, Thursday. Peter Lloyd, Dr. For an Advt of Calveskins, in Gaz. 213 [28 Dec], 3.0. Ledger A&B 198, 368.

---. John Morris, Dr. For a Sheet Almks. 0.8. Ledger A&B 284.

---. Charles Tuttle, Dover, Dr. For an Advt. in Gazette, N213 [28 Dec; ad not identified], 5.0. Ledger A&B 276, 368.

1732 accounts not specifically dated:

Francis Bowes, Esq., Contra, Cr. For Cash paid Joseph Peace, 1.5.0. Ledger A&B 257.

William Coleman, Dr. For a Telemachus, 8.0.; For [H. Care], English Liberties, 4.0. Ledger A&B 274. Contra, Cr. For Cash in full, 17.0. Ledger A&B 275.

William Crossthwaite Dr. For 1 Bottle Ink, 1.0. Ledger A&B 182.

John Emerson, Contra Cr. By Cash, 6.4. Ledger A&B 283.

Caleb Evans of Radnor, Cr. For Cash at twice, 13.0. Ledger A&B 253.

Andr. Hamilton, Esq., Dr. Total 3.14.0. Sundry Things since as per Account carry’d in, 4.10.5.

Total 8.4.5. Contra, Cr. For Cash in Full, 8.4.5. Ledger A&B 224-25.

Mr. Simon Meredith Dr. For a Cake of Soap, 1.0.; For [H. Care], English Liberties per Son James, 4.0.; For Cash paid for James’s Servt. 14.13.0. Dr. £74.4.8. Dr. For Cash by James, 3/6; For a Dictionary by Thos. 8.0. Ledger A&B 264.

Edward Nichols, Dr. Contra, Cr. For turning my Screw, 12.0. Ledger A&B 247.


Owen Owen 1, 0.5. Ledger A&B 369. Presumably Godfrey’s sheet almanack for 1732 (Miller 36).

Samuel Par, Contra, Cr. By Cash in full, 17.2. Ledger A&B 283.
Widow Paris, Dr. For a Power Attorney, 0.4. Ledger A&B 260.

Thomas Patterson, Contra, Cr. By Cash, 5.0. Ledger A&B 275.

Province of Pennsylvania, Dr. For Votes 3 Sheets & 1/2 at 26/ of Aug. [1732] Sess. [Miller 44 mistakenly has 4.10.0], 4.11.0.; For Laws of the same Sessn. [Miller 41], 1 Sheet & 1/2, at 25/, 1.17.6.; For Votes of Jan. [1732/3] Sessions [Miller 59], 3 Sheets & 1/2 at 26/, 4.11.0. Total £10.19.6. Contra. For Cash in full, 10.19.6. Ledger A&B 208-9. Though dated 1732, the last entry proves that the entry must have been ante 25 March 1732/3.

The first entry appears to be the same as 21 March 1732/3.

Mr. Pywell, Contra, Cr. By Cash, 8.0. Ledger A&B 277.

Thomas Redman, Dr. For an Almanack, 0.5., For an Acct. Book, 6.0. Contra, Cr. By Cash paid my Wife, 6.5. Ledger A&B 260-61.

Elizabeth Roberts, Dr. For 1 Doz. Almanacks, 3.6. Ledger A&B 250.

Robert Tackerbury, Dr. For 2 Bottles Ink & a Standish, 3.4.; Quills, 0.2. Ledger A&B 282 (no date).

Wm. Webb, Almanacks for 1732 of Sheet -- Numb. printed -- 639. Delivered out and sold. Wm. Webb 1, 0.5. Ledger A&B 369. Probably refers to Godfrey’s sheet almanack for 1732 (Miller 36).


Charges. [No name(s) given.] Part of the old Stick of Wax, 0.3.; New wax, Rosin, Bee W. & Turp. & Oil, 0.9.; Corks, 1 Doz. 0.4.; 1/2 Gross Bottles, 10.0. Ledger A&B 371.