Introduction: Two more Franklin friends turn up in 1733: the lawyer Thomas Hopkinson (16 Aug) and the silversmith Philip Syng (Sept), both members of the Junto, the Library Company, the Union Fire Company and other Franklin projects. In addition, the merchant Samuel Coates (24 Oct), who belonged to the Library Company and the Union Fire Company, and the joiner Stephen Armit (11 Jan), who belonged to the Union Fire Company, are present. The Boston printer Thomas Fleet (17 Aug), whom Franklin had known while working as an apprentice, and BF’s Philadelphia printing competitor Andrew Bradford (31 July) also charged on credit in the 1733 accounts. Franklin’s neighbor, the artist Gustavus Hesselius (15 Jan), makes the first of many appearances. Deborah Franklin’s cousin Caleb Cash (15 Jan) is there, as is the Quaker physician Dr. Samuel Chew (13 Feb), the Chief Justice of the Lower Counties (Delaware) who defended self-defense in 1742 and was consequently expelled from the Quaker meeting. The abolitionist Benjamin Lay (6 Feb), whose writings Franklin printed, and the schoolteacher Anthony Benezet (20 March), who later became an abolitionist both appear.

BF called his wife “Debby” in the accounts (21 March). Stephen Potts continued to rent from the Franklins at 30s per year (6 Jan). BF recorded that he repaid Robert Grace £10 “in Part of his Bond” on 27 June. The reference may suggest that Franklin borrowed the money to buy out Hugh Meredith as his partner, and that Robert Grace and William Coleman, instead of loaning him the money themselves, put up a bond guaranteeing the loan (27 June). On 21 March Franklin bought a lampblack house from Nathaniel Jenkins for £35, thus assuring himself of a constant supply of a primary ingredient for making ink. By 22 April, he was selling lampblack in his shop; and on 5 July he sold Capt. Black “185 barrels of pitch,” a raw resource used in the production of lampblack. Over the course of the winter, Franklin loaned his neighbor Mrs.
Staples “1/2 Cord Hickory” (19 Jan), “3/4 Cord Oak Wood” (15 Feb), “1 Cord Ash with Halling” (21 March), and “Wood” (6 April). Mrs. Staples repaid him in bread, coffee, cheese, fish, and fabric (1733). BF billed his landlord Simon Edgel (22 June) for repairs of “the Necessary House,” “the Flat,” and “the Stairs.”

**The Shop.** Though the first advertisement for Aleppo Ink appeared in the paper of 8 July 1731, it was not until 31 July 1733 that a charge for it turned up in the accounts. The Franklin family’s “Crown soap” was advertised on 16 Nov, and charges for it appeared 20 Nov. In the shop, Deborah sold such common groceries as pepper (16 July), flour (31 July), and butter (17 Aug). BF also began to stock miscellaneous items: Joseph Jackson bought a mousetrap and pack of cards, 17 Aug.

**Imprints.** On 15 Jan, Joseph Read of Trenton purchased 3 and a half dozen almanacs, probably Poor Richard (Miller 54); and a dozen and a half sheet almanacs (Franklin probably printed some Poor Richard sheet almanacs, as he did in later years; he had previously printed Godfrey sheet almanacs; but no sheet almanacs of his printing were advertised in 1732/3 and none survive); on 19 Jan, David Evans purchased the Votes and Proceedings (Miller 59); on 31 Jan, White & Evans purchased the Laws recently passed (Miller 58?); and in January, Mr. [Thomas] Campbel, Evan Morgan, and Edward Nichols each purchased a number of almanacs, probably Poor Richard (Miller 54). On 28 Feb, Benjamin Lay purchased 50 copies of Ralph Sandiford’s Mystery of Iniquity (Miller 31; Miller has 25 Feb) to give away. On 21 March, BF charged the province of Pennsylvania 4.11.0 for printing three and a half sheets of the Votes and Proceedings; if it is the same charge as the first entry under the Province of Pennsylvania at the 1732 year-end, then it is for the Aug 1732 session of Miller 44 (Miller supposed it was for Miller 59). On 26 March, Behlah Coates bought one of Bowman’s Traditions of the Clergy (Miller 49);
and on 22 April, BF recorded sending James Franklin 50 catechisms (probably David Evans, *Short Plain Help*; Miller 51), 50 *Honour of the Gout* (Miller 62), and 50 of Joseph Morgan’s *Nature of Riches* (Miller 56).

The accounts reveal the complicated process of printing the *Articles of Agreement* between the Penns and Lord Baltimore (Miller 63): on 25 June, Franklin charged the proprietors “1. For printing 5 Sheets at 30s per Sheet, 7.10.0. 2. For Paper 5 Ream, and 5/6 of a Ream at 20s., 5.16.8. 3. For stitching 500 Books, and pasting the Maps at 6s. per Hund., 1.10.0. 4. For cutting the Mapp in Wood, 2.0.0. 5. For printing and Paper of the Mapps, 2.11.8.” (The information in Miller 63, from the Penn Papers, Friends Library, London, does not contain the two charges for the maps, though it is present in the Friends Library, P 1:324.) Franklin may have done the wood engraving of the map which copied the map drawn by John Senex in England. As James Clement Wheat & Christian F. Brun, *Maps and Charts Published in American Before 1900* (New Haven: Yale University Press, 1969), no. 474, point out, “It is the earliest known map to be printed in the English colonies south of New York.” On the same date, Franklin charged Thomas Penn “For Printing and Paper of 1000 Coats of Arms [Miller 79] at 8s. per Hund., 4.0.0. Total 23.8.4.”

In the only example of a work in which the rival printers, Franklin and Bradford, cooperated, BF sold Andrew Bradford 250 psalm books (Miller 64) on 30 July. The same day Thomas Hopkinson bought a *Laws* (Miller 58). Under 17 Aug, BF recorded his first business with the Boston printer Thomas Fleet: the charge for 200 almanacs was no doubt recorded eight or nine moths after the date of the transaction. Under the same date, he recorded sending 300 almanacs to his brother James Franklin; the same entry recorded a number of other items, some sent by Capt. Hughes, who had cleared out on 7 June. In Oct, Joseph Jackson bought an *Honour*
of the Gout (Miller 62); on 29 Nov, John Read bought six dozen of the new Poor Richards (Miller 66); and in Nov, Thomas Hopkinson paid for “binding a Mason” (perhaps Miller 80, though it was not published until several months later), Joseph Read bought the New Jersey Laws (Miller 74), and Jacob Shoemaker bought half a dozen Poor Richards (Miller 67). On 1 Dec, James Bringham bought Honour of the Gout (Miller 62) and Jacob Shoemaker bought half a dozen Poor Richards (Miller 67; perhaps the same as recorded under “Nov”).

On 26 Dec, Thomas Griffitts, Edward Horne, and Henry Jones each bought a Votes and Proceedings (part of Miller 78). Since Griffits only paid 8 pence and Jones only paid 10 pence, their purchases were probably only for the Oct and perhaps Dec session. Since BF was evidently printing the winter sessions daily, the different price may reflect a slightly different version. The price of Horne’s purchase was not noted, but it was for “all the Votes of this Session,” which either meant all the Dec session or possibly the complete session of 1732-33 (Miller 59). Recorded under 26 Nov, George Cunningham bought a “Hemphill,” evidently one of Franklin’s 1735 tracts defending Samuel Hemphill, and also a copy of Joseph Morgan’s Temporal Interest of America (Miller 73); obviously the entries were added later, and the later date was simply not supplied.

I speculate that Edmund Wooley advertised the “very Likely Negro Woman . . . Enquire of the Printer” on 3 May. Franklin recorded the debts for the advertisements in that paper (no. 121) in the following sequence: "White and Taylor" (the first ad); “Edmund Wooley” (no name is found in the second or third ad, which concerned the general loan office and the sale of a “likely Negro Woman,” respectively); “Nath’l Walton” (the 4th ad); and “David Evans” (the 5th ad). Since the second ad was for the General Loan Office, it is unlikely that the carpenter Edmund Wooley would have been paying for it; Andrew Hamilton (on behalf of the province of
Pennsylvania) probably did so (see 22 April).

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£166.94 Pa currency = £100 sterling; McCusker 184.


---. St. John’s Lodge, for Quota, 0.0.6. Total 2.16.7. Liber B.

2 Jan, Tuesday. A. Wilkinson, Dr. For 2 pair Apprent. Indent., 1.4. Ledger A&B 272.

6 Jan, Saturday. Then adjusted Accounts with Stephen Potts, in which adjustment the Rent of the Garret was reckon’d to the Tenth of Feb next at Thirty Shillings per Ann.--and I am Debtor to Bailance; Four Pounds Three Shillings & ten pence half penny, 4.3.10 1/2;

Mem. The Debt I assumed to pay Longacre by Scull not reckon’d. Ledger A&B 30.

[Also] Dr. For Cash at 3 Times 6/ an 6 qu. Pap., 18.; For Cash, 2.8. Ledger A&B 258.

Latter entries, same as 15 Jan.

9 Jan, Tuesday. Nicholas Reddish, Dr. For an Almanack, 0.5. Dr. Total 9.11. Cr. For Goods, 9.11. Ledger A&B 214-15.

---. Received of Mr. Treat the Sum of 6.1.4 in full. Ledger A&B 30.

10 Jan, Wednesday. H. Keith, Esq., Dr. For 1 quire small Post 2 & 1/2 hund.; Eng. Quills 1/1.0.

Ledger A&B 224.

---. Joseph Reed of Trenton, Received of Mr. Reed of Trenton, Cash, 1.0.0. Cash for 1/2 Doz. Laymans Catechism, 5.0; Cash for Notes in the Book of Notes, 2.6; He is Dr. for 1/2 Doz.] Contra, Cr. For Cash, 1.2.6. [sum of two above, Ledger A&B 30. For 49-1/2 lb Should. Bacon at 5d, 1.0.7.1/2; For Cash for 1/2 Doz. Serms. 5.0. [same as Laymans Catechism, p. 30.] Ledger A&B 257.
11 Jan, Thursday. Steven Armit Dr. For an Advt. in Gazette, N215 [11 Jan], 5.0. Cr. By cash, 5s. Ledger A&B 276-77, 368.


15 Jan, Monday. Mr. Ashmead Dr. for binding Taylor on the State of Man, 2.0. Ledger A&B 32, 262 (“Taylor’s Contemplations,” no date).

---. Wm. Biddle Dr. for Advertisement on Sept. Robinson Esq., 10.0. Ledger A&B 30.

---. Joseph Brientnal Dr. for a Ream of Paper, 15.0. Dr. for 2 Doz Books, 7.0. Ledger A&B 31.


---. Received of W. Bustill, Cash in full, 4.17.6. Ledger A&B 31. Same as Jan.


---. Robert Charles Esq. Dr. For printing 200 Licenses [Miller A65] & 200 Bonds [Miller A66] at 1 penny each, 1.13.4; For 10 Ditto 1.8; For Paper, 9.4; For the Gov.rs News 2 Years, 1.0.0; For his own News 1 Year, 10.0; For an Advertisement Fitzsymons, 5.0. Paid, 3.19.4. Ledger A&B 30, 366 (first two items only).

---. Mr. Clifton Dr. for 6 Book Almanacks & 6 Sheets, 3.0. Ledger A&B 31.

---. Mr. [William?] Crosswaite Dr. for binding [Andrew Wakeley’s] Mariner’s Compass [Rectified], 1.6. Ledger A&B 32.


---. Thomas Green Dr. for 1 quire Paper and an almanack. 0.5. paid. Ledger A&B 32. Same as March?

(no date; following Feb 1731/2).

---. Mr. Hesselius Dr. for Leaf Gold, 1.7.0. Dr. for binding a Book, 4.0. Ledger A&B 32, 264 (no date).

---. Capt. Holland Dr. for binding a Latin Grammar, 1.0. Ledger A&B 32, 262 (no date).

---. Edward Horne Dr. for Cash at twice, 2.0.0. Ledger A&B 31.

---. Broth. Hubbard, 2 Almanacks, paid, 0.10. Ledger A&B 31.


---. Joseph Jackson, Bristol, Dr. for 4 Doz Book Almanack, 14.0; For 6 Sheets, 1.3. Ledger A&B 30.

---. Elisha Lawrence Dr. for Advertisements, 5.0. paid. Ledger A&B 30.

---. Mr. Lawrence Dr. for mending an Acct. Book, 1.6. Ledger A&B 32. Same as 1730.

---. Memorandum, That I have paid James Meredith on Account of his Father viz. At one time a Saddle, 1.15.0; At another Cash, 9.0.0; Cash, 14.9.0; Ozenbr. [Osnaburg], 5.14.0; Kers. [Kersey] 1.15.0; Cloths, 7.13.0; Cash, 14.0.6; Total 54.6.6; Paid <Hugh> [crossed out] To Lee, Cash on the same Account, 8.0. Ledger A&B 32.

---. Mogridge & Cassel for a 2 quire Book, 4.4; 2 Almanacks 0.9. Ledger A&B 32.

---. Evan Morgan Dr. for 1 Doz 1/2 Almanacks [no amount given; also] Dr. for 1 Doz Bonds, 3.0; 1 Doz Almanacks, 3.6. Ledger A&B 31.

---. Capt. Palmer, Dr. for binding a Common prayer, 7.0; Credit for Wood 1 Cord & 1/2. Ledger A&B 32, 265-65 (the latter has no date). His account was paid by “A. Allair.”


---. Stephen Potts Dr. for Cash 6s at three times and for 6 quire paper. 18.0. Ledger A&B 31.
[Also] Dr. for Cash, 2.8. Ledger A&B 32. Same as 6 Jan.

---. Evan Price Dr. for 2 Doz & 1/2 Book Almanacks and 2 Doz Sheets, 13.3. Ledger A&B 31, 200.

---. Thomas Redman Dr. for an Almanack, 0.5. Ledger A&B 31.

---. Mr. [Joseph] Reed of Trentown, Dr. For printing 2000 Bills [Miller A68], 4.0.0; For 3 Doz. & 1/2 of Book Almanacks, 12.3 [perhaps Poor Richard; Miller 52, 53, or 54]; 1 Doz & 1/2 of Sheet Ditto at 2/6, 3.9 [perhaps BF printed a sheet almanac or bought some in quantity for resale]; 1 Bottle of red & one of black Ink, 2.0. Ledger A&B 30, 256. [Also] Cr. Received of Mr. Reed of Trentown lb. 49 1/2 of Shoulder Bacon at 5d, 1.0.7 1/2. Ledger A&B 31.


---. Daniel Smith, Junior Dr. for 1 Doz Almanacks, 3.6. Ledger A&B 30.

---. Charles Stow Dr. for binding a Common Prayer Book, 2.0. Ledger A&B 32.

---. Christopher Topham Dr. for 2 Doz, paid, 7.0. Ledger A&B 31.

---. Martha Truman Dr. for Advertisements, 5.0. Ledger A&B 30, 260. [Also] Contra, Cr. For Candles. Ledger A&B 261.


---. Capt. Wallace Dr. for binding a Bible, 3.0. Paid. Ledger A&B 32.

---. Samuel Worthington Dr. for Advertisements, 8.0. Ledger A&B 30.

18 Jan, Thursday. James Cooper, Advertisement in Gazette, N216 [18 Jan], 5.0. Ledger A&B
---. Thomas Green, Dr. For a quire Paper, 1.4. Ledger A&B 268.

---. Henry Jones, Advertisement in Gazette, N216 [18 Jan], 5.0. Ledger A&B 252, 368.

19 Jan, Friday. David Evans at the Crown, Dr. For Votes [part of Miller 59?], 1.4. Ledger A&B 196.

---. John Morris, Dr. For a Book Alm. 0.5. Ledger A&B 284.


24 Jan, Wednesday. Clement Plumstead Dr. For an Almanack, 0.5. Dr. For a Book of Demiroyal 4 quire, 2.2.0. Dr. For 2 Sheets of <Demi> [crossed out] paper, 0.6. Ledger A&B 184.

26 Jan, Friday. Louis Timothee, Dr. For a Bond, 0.4. Ledger A&B 278.

31 Jan, Wednesday. Mr. Isaac Brown Credit for Cash in full, 14.0. Ledger A&B 33.

---. Mr. Hamilton of White Clay Creek Dr. For 2 Account Books, one with an Alphabet, 5 quire each of pro patria Paper, 1.14.0; For 3 Doz & 1 Almanacks at 3/6, 10.9 1/2. Ledger A&B 33, 264 (as "sundrys").


Jan. Mr. [Thomas] Campbel, Dr. For 5 Doz. Almanacks [probably Poor Richard; Miller 52, 53, or 54], 17.0. Ledger A&B 196. Same as 15 Jan.


1 Feb, Thursday. Caleb Cash, Jun., Dr. For an Advt. in Gazette, N218 [1 Feb], 3.0.; For an Almanack, 0.5. Dr. Carried to Led. E. Ledger A&B 262, 367 (first entry only).

---. Samuel Parr, Dr. For News 3 Year, 1.10.0. Ledger A&B 210.

---. Jacob Shoemaker, Advertisemts in Gazette. N218 [1 Feb], 5.0. Ledger A&B 368.


2 Feb, Friday. Mr. Ouchterlony Dr. for a Ream of Paper and Working of it, 1.0.0. Paid. Ledger A&B 33.

---. Mrs. Roberts half Doz almanacks, 1.9. Ledger A&B 33, 250 (date only 1733).


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


---. Paid Wm. Coleman Cash, 6.5.0. Ledger A&B 33.

---. David French, Esq., Dr. For a Box Wafers, 3.6. Ledger A&B 230.

---. Edward Horne Dr. for Cash paid his Man, 1.0.0. Ledger A&B 33, 194.

---. Thomas Lawrence Dr. For an Almanack, 0.5. Ledger A&B 198.

---. Benjamin Lay Dr. for Paraphrase on Sermon 500, 1.0.0. Paid. Ledger A&B 33; Miller A63.

---. George Tetherington Dr. for an Advertisement, 5.0. Ledger A&B 33, 264 (no date).

10 Feb, Saturday. Stephen Potts Dr. for Cash, 2.6. Ledger A&B 33, 258.
---. Widow Read Dr. for 1 Ream Paper, 13.0.0. Ledger A&B 33.

---. Richard Warden Dr. for 1 Ream Paper, 15.0. Ledger A&B 33.


---. Joseph Growdon, Esq., Dr. For a Book 2 quire, 5.0. Ledger A&B 252.

14 Feb, Wednesday. Dr. Jones Dr. for printing Welsh Tickets [Miller A62], 1.0.0. Ledger A&B 33.

---. Mr. Ouchterlony Dr. for half Ream Paper, 6.6. Paid. Ledger A&B 33.

---. Stephen Potts Dr. for Cash, 1.9.0. Ledger A&B 33, 258.

---. Thomas Redman Dr. for an Acct. Book 6.0. and an Almanack, 0.5. Ledger A&B 33.

---. Dr. Vanbebbber Dr. for Advertisement paid, 7.6. Ledger A&B 33.


---. Mr. Benizet Dr. for Ink, 0.8. Ledger A&B 33, 166 (no date).

---. Samuel Smith Dr. for 2 Doz Almanack & 1 of the Doz Sheets, paid, 6.0. Ledger A&B 33.

---. Mrs. Staples for 3/4 Cord Oak Wood Dr. [no amount recorded]; Dr. Cash, 10.0. Ledger A&B 33.

16 Feb, Friday. Mrs. Staples, Dr. For sundries, 5.12.7.; For 3/4 Cord Oak Wood, 11.3. Ledger A&B 262.

19 Feb, Monday. H. Keith, Esq., Dr. For a quire Post Papr. by his Mother, 2.0. Ledger A&B 225.

21 Feb, Wednesday. Mrs. Staples, Dr. For Cash, 10.0. Ledger A&B 262.

22 Feb, Thursday. John Thomkyns, Dr. For an Advt. in Gazt. 221 [22 Feb], 3.0. Ledger A&B 278, 367.

24 Feb, Saturday. Mr. Ouchlerlony For 1 Ream Paper, 1.0.0; For 5 quire Paper, 3.3. Paid. Ledger
28 Feb, Wednesday. Samuel Parr Dr. for Cash, 1.0.0. settled. Ledger A&B 34.

---. Stephen Potts Dr. for Cash, 3.0. Ledger A&B 34, 258.

---. Mr. Joseph Reed of Trenton Dr. for 1/2 Doz Almanacks, 1.9; 1/2 Doz Sermons, 5.0. 6.9. Ledger A&B 34, 256.

---. Ralph Sandiford Credit for Cash received of Benj. Lay for 50 of his Books [Sandiford’s Mystery of Iniquity; Miller 31] which he intends to give away, 10.0. Ledger A&B 34.

---. Jacob Shute, Cooper, Dr. for a pint of Ink, 1.3. Ledger A&B 34, 266.

---. Peter Sonmans, Advertisements in Gazette. N222 [28 Feb], Plantation, 5.0. Ledger A&B 367. Also below, 8 March.

2 March, Friday. Benjamin Lay, Dr. for Cash, 1.0.0. Ledger A&B 34.

---. Mr. Ouchlerlony Dr. for 1/2 Ream Paper, paid, 6.6. Ledger A&B 34.

---. Stephen Potts Dr. for Cash, 2.0. Ledger A&B 34, 258.

---. Mr. Thomas Smith of New Castle Dr. For 2 Doz Bonds, 5.0; For 1 Doz Almanacks, 3.6. Total, 8.6. For Advt. in Gazette, 200 [26 Sept 1732], 5.0. Ledger A&B 34 (first two items only), 224.

3 March, Saturday. Derick Johnson, Esq., Contra, Cr. For Cash, 1.6. Ledger A&B 221.

5 March, Monday. St. John’s Lodge, for Quota, 0.0.6. Liber B.

6 March, Tuesday. Joseph Growdon, Esq., Dr. For 1/2 hund. Quills, 2.0. Ledger A&B 252.

7 March, Wednesday. Thomas Smith of N.Castle, Dr. For 2 Doz. Bonds, 6.0. Ledger A&B 224.

8 March, Thursday. Peter Sonmans, Dr. For Advt. in Gazette N222 [28 Feb], 5.0. Ledger A&B 278. Also above, 28 Feb.
10 March, Saturday. Robert Charles, Credit for Cash, 3.18.3; and for 2 Skins of Parchment Cash, 5.0. Ledger A&B 34.

---. A. Hamilton, Credit for Cash, 8.4.5. Ledger A&B 34.
---. Paid Mr. Lewis at 4 Times, 8.6. Ledger A&B 34.
---. Received of Mr. Morgan of Maidenhead, Cash, 1.0.0. Ledger A&B 34.

13 March, Tuesday. Steven Potts, Dr. For Cash pd Nichos. Scull, 7.3.6.; For Cash, 1.6. Ledger A&B 258. First item repeated, 14 March.
---. Lent Mrs. Read, Cash, 9.13.4. Ledger A&B 34.
---. Nicholas Scull, Contra, Cr. For Cash, 17.6. By his Acct. & Note of Hand in full. Ledger A&B 253 (first item same as 14 March; 2nd item, no date, but same as 22 Aug).

14 March, Wednesday. Paid Mr. Nathaniel Jenkins, Cash, 2.0.0. Ledger A&B 34.
---. Paid Marshall on Capt. Oliver’s Account, 2.0.0. Ledger A&B 34.
---. Capt. Oliver Dr. for Cash lent, 1.0.0. Ledger A&B 34.
---. Stephen Potts Dr. for Cash paid N. Scull, 7.3.6. Ledger A&B 34. Also above, 13 March.

[Also] Dr for Cash, 1.6. Ledger A&B 34.
---. Nicholas Scull, Credit for Cash, 17.6. Ledger A&B 34. Same as 13 March.
---. Sent Thomas Whitemarsh: 30 sheet Almanack; 2 Doz Books; and 500, 12 Months; per Capt. Curson [8 March PG: “Cleared out. Ship Adventure, R. Curson, for South Carolina”]. Ledger A&B 34. See above, 13 Oct 1731.

---. Wm. Fishbourn, Dr. For an Advt. continu’d N224 [15 March], 8.0. carried to Parchmt.
Ledger. Ledger A&B 278, 367; Ledger D 372.

---. Mr. Maccall, Advertisemts in Gazette, N224 [15 March], & single, 12.0. Ledger A&B 367.

20 March, Tuesday. Anthony Benizet Dr. For 1 Ream Paper, 15.0.; For a Bible, 5.0. Ledger A&B 35 (first item only), 266.

---. Stephen Potts Dr. for Cash, 1.0; For Ditto, 3.0. Total: 4.0. Ledger A&B 35. [Also] Dr. For Cash 1/, Ditto 3/, 4.0.; For Cash & sundries, 12.9.; For Cash, 4.6.; For Cash 2/, Cash 4/, 6.0. Ledger A&B 258.

---. Thomas Shreeve, Credit for Cash, 14.0; for 3 Doz Almanacks, 10.6. Dr. for 1 Barclay, 8.0. Ledger A&B 34-35.

---. Mrs. Staples, For Cash to pay Keith, 1.0.0.; For Cash paid Porters, 7.0.; For 1 Cord Ash Wood with Halling, 8.11.; For Cash pd. Marshal 10/ Ditto Oliver L2.12.9.3.2.9. Ledger A&B 262. First two items same as 22 March.

21 March, Wednesday. Sam’l. Bould, the Smith, Dr. For Advertisement, 5.0. Ledger A&B 35, 268.

---. R. Charles Dr. for printing 200 Blanks [Miller A65?], 16.8; and for Paper 4 quire, 5.0; For 1 Skin Parchment, 3.0. Ledger A&B 35, 268 (no date).

---. Mr. Cuff Dr. for Advertisements, 500 [Miller A61], 15.0; in the News, one, 3.0. Ledger A&B 36, 268 (no date).

---. Benjamin Franklin bought of Arent Hassert, one sett of Cina at 14.0, 14.0; 4&1/2 lb [?] Pepper at 9d, 3.4-1/2. V66:32b.

---. Mr. Grace Dr. for 1 quire Post Paper, 2.6. Ledger A&B 35.

---. Thomas Green Dr. for 1 quire Paper, 1.3. Ledger A&B 35.

---. Howel Dr. for Advertisement, paid, 5.0. Ledger A&B 35.
---. Nathaniel Jenkins, 2 Dr. for Cash which made our former Accounts even to this Day, 10.6.

Dr. for Cash paid him in Part of Thirty five Pounds due to him for the Lamp black House
I have Bought of him this day. 15L more is to be paid in two Months, 15L the remainder
in nine Months, 5.0.0. Ledger A&B 35. [Also] Nath’l. Jenkins, Dr. For Cash, 5.0.0.

Contra, Cr. For a Lampblack House bought of him, 35.0.0. Ledger A&B 267.

---. <10 Feb.> [crossed out] H. Keith, Esq., Dr. For a Power Attorney, 0.4. Ledger A&B 224.

---. Mr. Macall Dr. for Advertisements, 12.0. Ledger A&B 35. Same as March?

---. Capt. Oliver Dr. for Cash paid Marshal by his Order, 2.0.0. Ledger A&B 35.

---. Province of Pennsylvania Dr. for Printing Votes 3 sheets & half [part of Miller 44?], 4.11.0.

Ledger A&B 36. If this charge is the same as the first entry for 1732 year-end, then it is
for Miller 44, and Miller is mistaken in annotating Miller 59.

---. Pott’s Dr. for Cash, 2.6; Book for Brockden, 1.3; Cash, 2.0; Cash 5.0; Cash, 2.0; Total 9.0.

Dr. for Cash, 2.6; Ditto, 2.0. Ledger A&B 36.

---. Received of Mrs. Read, Cash, 8.0.0. Ledger A&B 35.

---. Mr. [Joseph] Read of Trentown, Dr. for 12 Serm[ons], 10.0. For an Advt. in Gazette N189
 [10 July 1732; ad not identified] brot by Macky, 5.0. Contra, Cr. For Cash 5.0. Ledger
A&B 35 (first item only), 256-57.

---. Lawrence Rice, Tobacconist, Dr. For a Bot. Ink 1/, for printing 1 Ream Paper [Miller A69],
10/. Total 11.0., Ledger A&B 266.

---. Mr. Shoemaker Dr. for Advertisements, 6.0. Ledger A&B 35. An ad by Thomas Shoemaker
appears in the 26 April PG

---. Mr. Daniel Smith, Burlington, Dr. For 1 quire Bonds, 5.0; 1/2 Doz Bottles Ink, 4.6; Total 9.6.

Ledger A&B 35.
---. Lent Mrs. Staples Cash to pay [K?]eith, 1.0.0; Cash paid Porters for her, 7.0; 1 Cord Wood Ash with Halling &c, 8.11. Dr. for Cash paid Marshall, 10.0; for Cash paid Oliver, 2.12.9. Lent Mrs Staples Cash by Debby, 10.0. Ledger A&B 35. [Also] Dr. for Wood. Ledger A&B 36, 262 (first items same as 20 March).


24 March, Saturday. Louis Timothee, Dr. For a Bond & a Power of Attorney, 0.8. Ledger A&B 278.

26 March, Monday. Beulah Coates, Dr. For 1 Doz. Almanacks, 3.6.; For a Bowman’s Sermon [Miller 49], 0.6. Ledger A&B 250.

March. Robert Grace Dr. For a Pasteboard, 0.9. Ledger A&B 198.
---. Thomas Green, Dr. For 1 quire Paper, 1.3. Ledger A&B 268.
---. George Macall, Dr. For Advertisement, 12.0.; For a Common prayer Book, 7.0. Ledger A&B 266 (first item same as 21 March?).
---. Benjamin Shoemaker Dr For Advertisements, 6.0. Ledger A&B 172.

2 April, Monday. St. John’s Lodge, for absence 1s & Quota 6p, 0.1.6. Liber B.

6 April, Friday. Thomas Kirk, Dr. For a Power of Attorney, 0.4.; For a Bond, 0.4.; For a Servt. Indenture, 0.3. Ledger A&B 248.
---. Mrs. Staples, Dr. For Cash lent by Debby, 10.0.; For Wood. Ledger A&B 262.

7 April, Saturday. Louis Timothee, Dr. For a Doz. Bonds 3/, a Doz. Bills cl 9, 3.9. Ledger A&B
278.

---. White & Taylor Dr. For 3 Powers of Attorney, 1.0. Ledger A&B 180.

12 April, Thursday. Evan Jones of Kent, Dr. For an Advt. in Gazett N228 [12 April], 5.0. Ledger A&B 278, 367.

14 April, Saturday. White & Taylor Dr. For 3 Powers of Attorney, 1.0. Dr. For 6 Bonds & Judgments, 3.0. Ledger A&B 180.

21 April, Saturday. H. Keith, Esq., Dr. For 3 Sheets Post Papr, 3d; Quills 2d, 0.5. Dr. Total 2.16.0. Ledger A&B 224.

22 April, Sunday. Samuel Bustill, Esq. 1/2 Doz Parchment, 11.0; received Cash of him, 10.0. Dr. for binding 2 Books, 3.6. Ledger A&B 36. Same as April.

---. Cunningham [&?] Crosswaite, 1 quire Paper, 1.8. Ledger A&B 36. “Cunningham” is written above “Crosswaite.”


---. Samuel Hale Dr. for Advertisements, 5.0. Ledger A&B 36. Same as April.

---. Evan Hugh Dr. for 6 Bonds, 1.6. Ledger A&B 36, 270.

---. John Jones, Shoemaker Dr. for 1 quire Paper and 1 Barrel Lamp Black, 1.11. Ledger A&B 36, 200.


---. David Parry (Abington), Dr. For an Advt., 5.0. Ledger A&B 36, 270.

---. Potts Dr. for Cash, 2.0. Dr. for Cash, 4.0. Ledger A&B 36.

---. Thomas Shoemaker Dr. for an Advertisement in Gazette April 26 [#230], 3.0. Ledger A&B 36, 270 (no date).

---. John Spence Dr. for printing 1/2 ream Tobacco Papers [Miller A70], 5.0. Ledger A&B 36, 188. Total Carried to Great Ledger. Estate of Mr. John Spence, Dr. For 1/2 Ream Tobacco Papers, 5.0. V66:34b.

---. Mr. Walton of Frankford, Dr. for Advertisement, 5.0; Ditto in the News, 3.0. Ledger A&B 36, 270 (no date).

---. White & Taylor Dr. for Advertisements, 10.0; in the News 5.0. Ledger A&B 36. Same as April.


April. Samuel Bustil, Esq., Dr. For 1/2 Doz. Parcht., 11.0.; For binding 2 Books, 3.0.; For 1 lb Lampblack, 5.0. Total 19.6. Ledger A&B 204. Same as 22 April.

April. Samuel Hale, Dr. For an Advt., 5.0. Ledger A&B 190. Same as 22 April.

April. Francis Sherard, Dr. For a pocket Farrier, 1.0.; For the Gazette 5 Years Oct. 1735, 2.10.0.; For one of the Farriers 1/. Ledger A&B 206.

April. White & Taylor Dr. For Advt. Single 100 # & in the News, 15.0. Ledger A&B 180. Same as 22 April.

3 May, Thursday. David Evans at the Crown, Dr. For Adv. in Gazette N231 [3 May], 5.0. Ledger A&B 196, 367.


---. Edmund Woolley, Dr. For Advt. in Gazette 231 [3 May], 5.0. Ledger A&B 280, 367. Evidently for the third ad, “There is to be sold a very likely Negro Woman ... Enquire of the printer”; see introduction.

7 May, Monday. St. John’s Lodge, for Quota, 0.0.6. Liber B.

13 May, Sunday. Thomas Lawrence, Dr. For a Stick of Wax, 0.5. Ledger A&B 198.

17 May, Thursday. Geo. Emlen, Dr. For Advt. in Gazette N233 [17 May], 5.0. Contra, for cash, 5s. Ledger A&B 280-81, 367.


23 May, Wednesday. Mr. Cunningham Barb. Dr. for Quire paper, 1.2. Ledger A&B 37. Same as May.

---. Simon Edgel Dz. Book of Penal Bills, 86 [written before the currency column; perhaps 86 was the number of penal bills]; 1 Doz. Bonds, 3.0. Ledger A&B 37.

---. Benjamin Franklin bought of Arent Hassert, 1/2 lb. green tea at 16.0, 16.0. V66:32b.

---. Mr. Lawrence Dr. for 3 Doz Bonds, 9.0; 1 paper Ink powder, 1.4. Ledger A&B 37, 198. [Also] Dr. For Cash on Order of Capt. Wright, 3.15.0. Ledger A&B 198.

---. White & Taylor Dr. for 2 Doz Bonds and Judgments, 8.0. Ledger A&B 37, 180 (gives amount as 10.0).

---. J. Whitemarsh Dr. for Gentian Root, 2.8. Ledger A&B 37. See above, 13 Oct 1731.

24 May, Thursday. John Cadwalader, Dr. For an Advt. in Gaz. N234 [24 May], 5.0. Ledger
A&B 192, 367.

---. Hasell, Advertisements in Gazette. N234, and single, 10.0. Ledger A&B 280 (no date), 367.

---. Joseph Peace, Dr. For an Advt. in Gazette N234 [24 May], 5.0. Contra, Cr. By Cash, 5.0.

   Ledger A&B 280-81, 367 (first entry only).

30 May, Wednesday. Jacob Shoemaker, Dr. For an Advt. in Gazette, N218 [1 Feb], 5.0. Ledger A&B 208. Cf. 30 May 1731.


May. Geo. Cunningham, Dr. For 1 quire Papr, 1.2. Ledger A&B 226. Same as 23 May.

1 June, Friday. Mrs. Staples, For Cash, 5.0. Ledger A&B 262.

4 June, Monday. St. John’s Lodge, for Quota, 0.0.6., Total 3.1.1. Liber B.

   ---. Benjamin Franklin bought of Arent Hassert 12 lb [?] Pepper at 9d, 9.0. V66:32b.


   Ledger A&B 367.

9 June, Saturday. A. Wilkinson, Dr. For 2 Bonds 1 by Gabriel, 0.8.; For 1 pair Arbitration Bonds, 0.8.; For a Pencil, 0.8.; For Advertisements, 8.0. Ledger A&B 272.

12 June, Tuesday. Evan Price, Dr. For 1 Doz. Bonds, 3.0; Dr. For Cash lent, 12.0. Ledger A&B 200.

   ---. Thomas Skelton, Dr. For a quire Paper, 1.6. Dr. Total 8.15.8. Ledger A&B 218.


   ---. William Rawle, Advertisements in Gazette. N237 [14 June; ad appears in #238, 21 June]
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5.0.; Ledger A&B 194, 367. Cf. 4 Dec 1729.


19 June, Tuesday. Robert Grace, Dr. For 1/2 Quire Post. 1.0 & Bottle Ink 1.0, Total 2.0. Ledger A&B 199.

---. Nicholas Scull, Dr. For a Bond & Judgment, 0.6. Ledger A&B 252.

21 June, Thursday. Clem Plumstead Esq, Dr. For Advert. in Gazette 238 [21 June], 5.0. Ledger A&B 184, 368. Cf. 11 July 1732.

22 June, Friday. Peter Cuff Dr. for an Advertisement of Scales and Weights, 3.0. Ledger A&B 37, 268 (no date).

---. Simon Edgel Dr. for 2 Large Account Books, 2.12.0; and one small Letter Book, 16.0; an Alphabet, 0. 2. Total, 3.10.0. Ledger A&B 37, 170. [Also] Dr. For Repairs of the Necessary House, 10.0. Dr. For Repairs of the Flat, 4.6. Dr. For Repairs of the Stairs [no amount listed]. Ledger A&B 170.

---. Dr. Graham Dr. for Printing Ink, paid, 0.6. Ledger A&B 37.

---. Lodge of Masons Dr. for an Account Book, paid, 13.0. Ledger A&B 37.

---. Clem. Plumsted Dr. for Advertisement in Gazette, N 238 [21 June], 5.0. Ledger A&B 37.

---. Anthony Wilkinson Dr. for Advertisement in Gazette, N 238 [21 June], 5.0. Ledger A&B 37.

25 June, Monday. Receipted bill to the Proprietors: 1. For printing 5 Sheets at 30s per Sheet, 7.10.0. 2. For Paper 5 Ream, and 5/6 of a Ream at 20s., 5.16.8. 3. For stitching 500 Books, and pasting the Maps at 6s. per Hund., 1.10.0. 4. For cutting the Mapp in Wood, 2.0.0. 5. For printing and Paper of the Maps, 2.11.8. 6. For Printing and Paper of 1000
Coats of Arms at 8s. per Hund., 4.0.0. Total 23.8.4. Received of James Steel, Twenty
Pounds in part of this Account. B. Franklin. P 1:324; Miller 63 and 79; see introduction.

27 June, Wednesday. Paid Mr. Grace 10£ in Part of his Bond, 10.0.0. Ledger A&B 37.

29 June, Friday. Adjusted Accounts with Mr. Fruin and I am indebted, 6.7.4. Ledger A&B 37.


2 July, Monday. St. John’s Lodge, for Quota, 0.0.6. Liber B.

3 July, Tuesday. Nicholas Scull, Dr. For 1 Doz. Bonds 3/; 1/2 Doz. Bonds & Judgts. 2/6, 5.6.
Ledger A&B 252.

5 July, Thursday. Mr. Crossthwaite, Dr. for 2 Quire Paper, 3.4. Dr. for binding a Dictionary, 2.0.
Ledger A&B 37.

---. Martin Howard of Newport, Dr. For an Advt. in Gazette 240 [5 July], 5.0. Ledger A&B 280.
---. Joseph Jackson, Dr. For an Advt. in Gazette, No. 240 [5 July], 5.0. Ledger A&B 176, 37. Cf.
15 Jan 1732.

---. Peter Keene Dr. for an Advertisement, 5.0. Ledger A&B 37, 272.

---. Capt. Wright, Dr. For 185 Barrels of Pitch at 12/6 per Barrl. 115.12.6., 106.16.0., [Abated]
for Cooperage &c, 8.16.6. Ledger A&B 37 (first entry only), 272.

7 July, Saturday. Benjamin Franklin bought of Arent Hassert 1/4 lb. bohea tea at 16.0, 4.0.
V66:32b.

9 July, Monday. Paid Capt. Christian for Freight of 185 Barrels Pitch at 5s per, 40.5.0. Ledger
A&B 37.

---. Mr. Lawrence Dr. for remainder of Capt. Wright’s Order, 3.15.0. Ledger A&B 37.

---. Capt. Wright, Credit for his Order on Mr. Thomas Lawrence for Fifty Pounds currency,
10 July, Tuesday. Mr. [Thomas] Campbel Dr. For 1 Bottle Ink, 1.0. Dr. Ledger A&B 38, 196.
---. Robt. Charles, Esq., Dr. For 2 Arbitration Bonds, 2 Setts, 1.4.; For Paper & Printing of 300 Speeches [Miller A64], 2.2.6. Ledger A&B 268. Same as 16 July (first item only).
---. Benjamin Franklin bought of Arent Hassett 1/4 lb. green tea at 15.0, 3.9. V66:32b.
Same as 16 July.
---. Robert Charles Esq. Dr. for 2 Setts Arbitration Bonds, 1.4. Ledger A&B 38. Same as 10 July.
---. Mr. John Hubbard Credit for Cash, 1.0.10. Ledger A&B 38.
---. H. Keith Esq. Dr. for 1 Bottle Ink, 1.0. Ledger A&B 38.
16 July, Monday. Joseph Breintnall Dr. For printing 72 Mortgages [Miller A57] at 2d, 12.0;
Ditto 72 bonds & Judgments [A58], 12.0; Ditto 72 Copies [A59], 12.0; Ditto 72 Bonds [A60], 6.0; For Paper 4 quire & 1/2 & 3 quire at 1/8, 12.6; For Pasting & Paper, 5.0;
---. Myrick Davis 1 quire Paper, 1.8. Ledger A&B 38.
---. Thomas Hopkinson Dr. For 1 quire Demi Paper, 4.0; For binding and ruling Account Book 5.0; For ruling an Account Book, 2.0; For binding a Law book, 7.0; For binding a Dictionary, 10.0; For Covering with Linnen, 1.6; Total 1.9.6. Ledger A&B 38, 288.
---. Mr. Martin Howard of Newport Dr. for an Advertisement in Gazette, 5.0. Ledger A&B 38.
---. John Jones, Shoemaker, Dr. for 1 Barrel Lampblack, 0.5. Ledger A&B 38, 200.
---. [Penn, Thomas.] For printing 300 Speeches [by Thomas Penn; Miller A64], 1.10.0; For Paper 12 Quire & 1/2, 12.6; Total 2.2.6. Ledger A&B 38. [Thomas Penn’s original bill marked paid in full by Deborah Franklin on 19 April 1734 follows:] For printing 300 Speeches
with paper 2.2.6 [same as above]; for printing 500 blanks at 2d, 4.3.4; for advertisements twice in Gazette, 0.10.0. PMHB 14 (1890): 202. Recorded as paid under 31 July, Ledger A&B 39; and original recorded as paid on 19 April 1734. Same as 10 July, above, and July, below.

---. Mr. Reed Dr. for Pepper, 8.0. Ledger A&B 38.

---. Richard Smith Junior, Dr. For Advertisement single & in Gazette, 8.0. Ledger A&B 38.

---. Louis Timothee Dr. for a pint Ink, 1.3. Ledger A&B 38.

18 July, Wednesday. Mr. Benizet, Dr. For 6 Quills, 0.3. Ledger A&B 266.

19 July, Thursday. Mr. Benizet, Dr. For Bills of Lading, 0.6.; For 50 Quills, 1.0.; For a Ream Paper 13/; an Almk. 5, 13.5. Ledger A&B 266.

---. Wm. Parker (Drawbridge), Dr. For an Advt., 5.0. Dr. For an Advt. in Gazette N242 [19 July], 5.0. Ledger A&B 280. Numbering of PG is incorrect; there are 2 issues labeled #243, while #242 is skipped. Cf. 30 July.

24 July, Tuesday. Robt. Charles, Esq., Dr. For 3 quire Demi paper, 12.0.; For Paper and making up Pacquets, 1.0. Ledger A&B 38 (first entry only), 268.

---. Samuel Hasell Dr. for 1 Quire Book, 2.0. Ledger A&B 38, 280.

---. Thomas Hopkinson Dr. for 1 Quire Demi, 4.0. Ledger A&B 38, 288.

---. Cha. Read Esq., Contra, Ballance due to Mr. Reed, 1.11. Ledger A&B 179.

---. Joseph Reed of Trenton, Dr. Total 7.7.3. less 2.13.1&1/2, Ballance due, 4.14.1-1/2. Carried to page 116. Ledger A&B 256.


---. Thomas Hopkinson Dr. for Laws [probably Miller 58], 3.0. Ledger A&B 38, 288.

31 July, Tuesday. Andrew Bradford, Dr. For printing 250 Psalmbooks [Miller 64; citing Ledger A&B 59] at 6 pence Each, 6.5.0. Ledger A&B 39, 288 (no date).

---. Robert Charles Dr. for printing 220 Blank Tavern Licenses [Miller A67, reporting 225 instead of 220], 18.4; For Paper 4 Quire & 1/2 at 1.2, 5.4; Total 1.3.8. Ledger A&B 39, 268.

---. Robert Grace Dr. for 1/2 Doz Bonds & Judgments, 2.6; & a Bottle Aleppo Ink, 1.0. Dr. For a quire small Post. & 2 Bills Lading, 2.6. Ledger A&B 39 (quire small post only), 199.

---. Thomas Hancock Credit for a Bible, 1.6.0; Dr. for 1 Barrel Flower, At 2.0.0, 18, neat 1.3.10 at 11/3, 18.6, Cask and Porterige, 2.0, Total 1.0.6. [Note added:] Settled in Boston. Ledger A&B 39.

---. Thomas Penn Esq. Dr. For Paper & printing of 300 Speeches [Miller A64], 2.2.6. paid. Ledger A&B 39. Same as 10 and 16 July; the original receipt, PMHB 40 (1916): 121, was recorded as paid on 19 April 1734. See 16 July.

July. H. Keith, Esq., continued, Dr. For a Bott. Ink, 1.0. Ledger A&B 225.

---. Hon. Thomas Penn. For printing 300 Speeches with paper, 2.2.6 [above, under 10, 16 and 31 July; Miller A64]; For printing 500 Blanks at 2d, 4.3.4 [above, under 16 July]; For Advertisements twice in Gazette, 0.10.0.; total 6.15.10. PMHB 40 (1916): 121.

---. Sept. Robinson, Esq., Dr. For a Bott. Ink, 0.11; A Sheet of Marble Paper, 0.4.; 1 Stick Sealing Wax, 1.0.; Paper, 0.3.; Gazette 2 Years, 1.0.0. Total 2.9.2. Cr. Received in full, 2.9.2. Ledger A&B 276-77.
2 Aug, Thursday. Wm. Parker (Drawbridge), Dr. Advt. in Gazette N244 [2 Aug] for Scooner Christiana, 5.0.; For a 6 quire demi Book, 1.16.0. Ledger A&B 280. Same as 30 July (first item only).

4 Aug, Saturday. Capt. Wright, Contra, Cr. For his Order on Mr. Lawrence, 56.16.0. Ledger A&B 273.

6 Aug, Monday. St. John’s Lodge, for Quota, 0.0.6., This day moneys pd: you for daybook &c., 0.15.0. Liber B.

13 Aug, Monday. Benjamin Franklin Bought of Ar ent Hassert 1/2 lb. of Bohee tea at 15.0, 7.6. V66:34c, 35a.

---. Messrs. Mogridge & Cassel, Cr. Then adjusted Accounts with Mr. Mogridge & Cassel and made all even to this Day. Ledger A&B 227.

17 Aug, Friday. Mr. Robert Bolton Dr. for Binding and ruling 2 Books at 2/6, 5.0. Ledger A&B 40. Same as 2 Oct.

---. Cassel & Mogridge Dr. for 1 quire Paper, 1.3. Ledger A&B 40.

---. Mr. DeNormandy for Doz Alm., paid. Ledger A&B 40.

---. Mr. Thomas Fleet Dr. For 200 Almanacks, 2.10.0. Ledger A&B 40.

---. Brother James [Franklin], Dr. For 300 Almanacks, 4.7.6; For 7 Doz and 3 Aristotles, 10.7.6; For One firkin of Butter; For one Barrel Container 4 lbs Lampblack, 1.1.6; For one Barrel Flour, Sent by Capt Hughes [PG 7 June: “Cleared, Sloop Edward and John, Meredith Hughes, Burlington”; cf. 30 Oct 1731], cont. 2. 10. Coop[e]ridge & Port[e]ridge, 1.2.8. Ledger A&B 40.

---. For 1 quire Indentures, Mr. Timothee, Dr., 10.0. Ledger A&B 39.

---. Mr. Grace Dr. for Bills Lading, 2.0. Ledger A&B 40.
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---. Mr. Joseph Grey Dr. for Advertisements, 1.0.0. Ledger A&B 41, 252 (dated Nov).

---. <Mr. Haricomb Dr for 1/2 doz almanacs, 1.0.0.> [This entry is crossed out.] Ledger A&B 41.

---. Thomas Hopkinson Dr. For a Skin Parchment, 3.0; Credit for Cash borrowed, 2.0. Dr. For an Acct. Book 8 quire at 3.0, 1.4.0. Ledger A&B 40, 288 (last item only).

---. Edward Horne Dr. for 6 Pens, 0.4; for an Almanack, 0.5. 3 Serv. Indentures, 0.9. Ledger A&B 40 (first two items only), 194 (last item only).

---. Mr. Joseph Jackson Dr. For an Account Book, 13.0; For a pack Cards, 1.0; a Mousetrap, 1.8; Total 15.8. Ledger A&B 40. Same as Oct.

---. James James Esq. Dr. for 3 Doz Almanacks, 10.6. Ledger A&B 40. Same as Nov?

---. James Jordan Dr. for Sundries, 1.7.6. Ledger A&B 41.

---. Mr. Mogridge a blank Bond, 0.4; Mr. Cassel 2 Bills Lading, 0.2. Ledger A&B 40, 286.

---. Mr. Anthony Nichols Dr. for a Power of Attorney, 0.4. Ledger A&B 40, 256 (date only 1732?).

---. Mr. John Pigot of Nottingham Dr. For 1 Ream Paper, 15.0.; Dr. for 3 Doz Almanacks, 10.6. Ledger A&B 40.

---. Mr. John Read for 3 Doz Almanacks, 10.6 paid. Ledger A&B 40.

---. Mrs [Charles?] Read Dr. for 1/2 Pound Tea, 8.0. Ledger A&B 39.

---. Mr. Reed [Read?], Trenton, Dr. for Almanacks, 4 Doz, 14.0. Ledger A&B 41.

22 Aug, Wednesday. [Note of Nicholas Scull:] I promise to pay to Benjamin Franklin in Order the Sum of Five Pounds, on Demand, being for Value receiv’d. Witness my Hand. Nicho[las] Scull, 5.0.0. V66:35b. Same as 13 March.

30 Aug, Thursday. Thomas Lawrence, Esq., Dr. For Advt. in Gazette N248 [30 Aug], Ship
Constantine, 5.0. Ledger A&B 345.


3 Sept, Monday. Benjamin Franklin Bought of Arent Hassert 1/2 lb. of Bohee tea at 15.0, 7.6.

V66:34c, 35a.

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

4 Sept, Tuesday. Benja. Paschal, Dr. For 1 quire Paper, 1.2. Ledger A&B 226.

14 Sept, Friday. Benjamin Franklin Bought of Arent Hassert 12 lb. of Pepper at 0.9, 9.0.

V66:34c, 35a.

20 Sept, Thursday. Mr. Read, Trenton Dr. for a large Acct Book, & quire Demi Paper 2.2.8.

Ledger A&B 45. Second entry under 20 Sept 1733 has the date 10 March 1734 added at the end of the account.

29 Sept, Saturday. St. John’s Lodge, for Quota, 0.0.6. Liber B.

Sept. Willing & Shippen, Dr. For an Advt. in Gazette, 5.0. Ledger A&B 202A.

Sept. Sam’l. Hasell, Esq., Dr. For a single Advt. 5.0. Ledger A&B 280.


Sept. Mr. Philip Syng, Dr. For an Advt., 5.0. Ledger A&B 322.


Ante 11 Oct, Thursday. Mr. Simon Edgel’s Acct. For binding and ruling a Book, 2.8. For


---. Mesrs. Mogridge & Cassel, Drs. For an Almanack, 0.5.; For a pint of Ink, 1.3. Ledger A&B 286.


24 Oct, Wednesday. Saml. Coates, Dr. For a Book, 17.6.; For 1 Doz. primers, 5.0. Ledger A&B 250.

---. Hesselius, Dr. for 1/4 lb Lampblack, 1.3.; for 1/4 lb. Lampblack, 1.3. Ledger A&B 265.

---. Edward Horne, Dr. For a quire Book, rul’d, 2.6. Ledger A&B 195.

---. John Jones, Shoemkr., Dr. For 1 barrel Lampblack, 0.5. Dr. For 2 barr. Lampblack, 0.10. Ledger A&B 201.

30 Oct, Tuesday. Benja. Paschal, Dr. For 1 quire & five Sheets, 1.7. Ledger A&B 226.

---. Madame Franklin to Geo. Scholtze, Dr. To 22 yards of Dowlas at 2.6 Per, £2.15.0. APS: BF85; V66:36b. Bill to BF printed in P 3:76.

Oct. Edward Horne Dr. For 6 Penns and an Almanack, 0.9. Ledger A&B 194. First item same as 12 Nov?

---. Joseph Jackson, Bristol, Dr. For an Account Book, Deck of Cards and Mouse Trap, 15.8. Ledger A&B 176. Same as 17 Aug above. [Also] Dr. For 2 Cakes of Soap, 2/; Gout book,
1/ [Miller 62]; Vademecum [Miller 98], 4, 7.0. Dr. For a Saddle 55/; For Books, [no amount noted]. Ledger A&B 176.

---. Mr. Simon Meredith, Dr. Memo. For Cash, Oct. 1733 by James, 2.10.0; For Advertisement of Nantmel [PG #319, 16 Jan 1735; for a plantation], 5.0.; For Almanacks by Tho. 7./. Ledger A&B 264.

---. Daniel Pegg, Dr. For an Advt. in Gazette for the [?tird--? ends with raised “w”], 5.0. For the Gazette, 3 Years & 1/2, 1.15.0., Carried to great Leidger, 3.9.8. Ledger A&B 182.

---. Clement Plumstead Dr. For 6 Bonds and Judgements, 3.0. Dr. N255 [18 Oct], For an Advt. in Gazette of Negroe to sell, 5.0. Dr. N413 [11 Nov 1736], For an Advt. in Gazette of Ship Tryal. Carried to Great Leidger, Total 3.5.11. Ledger A&B 184. [THIS ENTRY WILL NEED A “Cf. 11 Nov 1736” AS THE 1736 ACCOUNTS ARE EDITED.]


4 Nov, Sunday. John Jones, Shoemkr., Dr. For a quire Paper, 0.5. Ledger A&B 200.

5 Nov, Monday. St. John’s Lodge, 0.0.6. Liber B. This is the last entry in BF’s hand in the accounts of St. John’s Lodge, Liber B, PHS. The account for Dec 1734 and the few remaining accounts for 1735 are in another hand.

12 Nov, Monday. Edward Horne, Dr. For 6 pens, 0.4. Ledger A&B 195. First item same as Oct?
---. Thomas Skelton, Dr. For Paper and Ink, 2.1. Ledger A&B 219.


---. Ann Chandler, 1 Cake Crown Soaps, 1.0. Ledger A&B 41.

---. Mr. Cunningham 1 Cake Soap, 1.0. Ledger A&B 41. Same as 26 Nov.

---. Jonathan Evans 1/2 Doz Alamanacks, 1.9. Ledger A&B 41.

---. Brother James [Franklin] Dr. For 30 Doz Pressing Papers at 8s per Sent by Capt Hughes [1 Nov PG: “Entered in, Sloop Mary, Meredith Hughes, from Rhode Island”], 12.0.0. Ledger A&B 41.

---. Mr. Simon Meredith Dr. For Cash paid his Son James at twice, 4.0.6. Ledger A&B 41, 264.

---. Mr. Mogridge Dr. for 1 pint oil, 1.0. Ledger A&B 41. Same as Nov.

---. Mr. John Read, Storekeeper, Credit for Cash, 1.10.0. Ledger A&B 41.

---. Mrs. Staples Dr. for Cash, 10.0. paid. Ledger A&B 41.

---. Mr. Timothee Dr. for Telemachus, 11.0; for Cash, 1.0.0; for Ditto per his Wife, 5.0. Ledger A&B 41.

Ante 23 Nov, Friday. Nath’l. Jenkins, Dr. For a Bot Mustard, 1.0.; For Cash 15.0.0. For Cash, 15.0.0. Ledger A&B 266.


26 Nov, Monday. Geo. Cunningham, Dr. For a Cake of Sope, 1.0; a Psalter, 2.0; For Ink powder, 0.1.4; For an Almanack, 0.0.5; For a Hemphill [Miller 101?, 102? 105?, or 106?], 0.0.6; For a Temporal Interest America [Miller 73], 0.0.4; <For a Quire Paper> [crossed out]; For an Almanack. Ledger A&B 226. First item same as 20 Nov.

27 Nov, Tuesday. John Jones, Shoemaker, Dr. For a quire Paper, 1.8. Ledger A&B 200.
29 Nov, Thursday. Mr. Edgell Dr. For binding & Ruling Account Book, 2.6. Ledger A&B 42.

---. Mr. John Read, Storekeeper, New Munster, Dr. For 6 Doz Poor Richard [Miller 66], 1.1.0; For 1 Doz Leeds [Evans 3674, printed by Bradford], 4.0; 1 Doz Godfrey [Evans 3658, printed by Bradford], 4.0; 1 Doz Birket [Evans 3627, printed by Bradford], 3.6; 3 Doz Poor Robin [Evans 3720, printed by James Franklin], 6.0. Total 1.18.6. paid. Ledger A&B 41.

---. Mr. Reed New Castle Dr. For 4 Doz Almanacks, 14.6. paid, 1 Doz. of them Leeds [Evans 3674, printed by Bradford]. Ledger A&B 41.

---. Mr. Shreve, Burlington Dr. For 3 Doz Almanacks, 10.6. paid. Ledger A&B 42.


---. Thomas Hopkinson, Gen. Dr. For Dutch Advertisements, 5.0.; For binding Shepherds Com. Ass., 7.6.; For binding a Mason book [Miller 80?], 1.6.; For 2 Sheets large Parchmt. 6.0.; For a Sermon, 1.6. Ledger A&B 288. First item same as 1 Dec.

---. James James, Esq. For 3 Doz. Almanacks, 10.6. Ledger A&B 290. Same as 17 Aug?

---. Mesrs. Mogridge & Cassel, Drs. For a Pint of Oyl, 1.0.; For Paper for Windows & an Acct. Book; For a Cake of Soap, 1.0.; For an Almanack, 0.5.; For binding a folio Bible, 12.0.; For a Pair Apprentices Indent. 0.8. Ledger A&B 286. First item same as 20 Nov; second item same as 1 Dec.

---. Joseph Read, Esq. of Trenton, Dr. Brought from Page 82, Ballence due, 4.14.1-1/2. Dr. For 4 Doz. Almanacks, 14.0.; For a large Book of Demi royal, 2.2.8.; For 500 Warrants and Summons [not in Miller], 1.0.0.; For 1 Doz. Laws [Miller 74] at 2/, 1.4.0.; For a Bottle Ink, 1.0.; For a Doz Laws [Miller 74; evidently a second purchase of a dozen] at 2/, 1.4.0. Ledger A&B 292.
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---. Jacob Shoemaker, Dr. For 1/2 Doz. poor Ri[chard]. [Miller 67] & 1/2 Doz. poor Rob., 2.8.
   Ledger A&B 208. Same as 1 Dec.

---. Cassel Dr. for 1/2 a Cake Soap, 1.0. Ledger A&B 43.
---. Dr. Chew Dr. for an Almanack, 0.5. Ledger A&B 42, 292.
---. Mr. Dewees Dr. for an Almanack, 0.0.5. settled. Dr. for Cash, 10.0. Settled. Dr. for Cash,
   15.0. Settled. Ledger A&B 42.
---. Mr. Eliza. 1/2 Doz Almanacks, 1.8. paid. Ledger A&B 42.
---. T. Hopkinson Dr. for Dutch Advertisements, 5.0. Ledger A&B 42. Same as Nov.
---. Joseph Jackson Dr. for 2 Cakes Soap, 2.0. Ledger A&B 42.
---. Mr. Mogridge & Cassel Dr. for Paper for Windows; for an Account Book. Ledger A&B 43.
   Same as Nov.
---. Anthony Nichols Dr. for an Account Book, 8.0. Ledger A&B 43.
---. Samuel Par dr for Cash per his Boy, 1.0.0. settled. Ledger A&B 42.
---. Mrs. Paris Dr. for a Vademecum [Miller 98], 4.0; Credit for Cash, 12.6. Paid old Account,
   3.0.8. Ledger A&B 42.
---. Wm. Read Esq. of New Castle Dr. For 2 Doz Primmers, 10.0. Paid. Ledger A&B 43.
---. Reddish & Paxton Dr. for a Prayer Book, 5.0. Ditto For a Psalm book 2.6.; for forfeitures
   paid for him, 3.0; for 2 pair Indentures, 1.0. Ledger A&B 42, 294.
---. Jacob Shoemaker Dr. For 1/2 Doz Poor Richard [Miller 66], 1.8; 1/2 Doz Poor Robin, 1.0.
   Ledger A&B 42. Same as Nov?
---. Skelton Dr. for Almanacks, 3 Doz., 10.6. Ledger A&B 43.
---. Mrs. Staples Dr. for Cash, 15.0. Ledger A&B 42.

---. Mr. Stedman Dr. for Ink; for Advertisement, 5.0. settled. Ledger A&B 43.

---. Willing & Shippen Dr. for Advertisements, 5.0. paid. Ledger A&B 42. [Also] for Advertisements single & in the News, 8.0. paid. Ledger A&B 43.

---. Samuel Worthington Dr. for a Bible, 5.6; for 1/2 Quire Paper, 8.8. paid. Ledger A&B 42.

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

10 Dec, Monday. Thomas Hopkinson, Gen. Dr. For a Demiroyal Book, 3 quire bound, 1.3.0. (ask Potts) Ledger A&B 288.

13 Dec, Thursday. David Evans at the Crown, Dr. For an Almanack, 0.5. Dr. For a Sermon Book, 1.3. Ledger A&B 196.

18 Dec, Tuesday. Madam Franklin, Dr. to Geo. Schultze. To 7 yard of Dowlas at 2.6 per yard, 17.6. But this is Credit it in my Book by Settling once. You will find it in your Receipt book. Ditto by a note of hand Remains Ballance Due 1.11.2. [Sideways:] This Act Settled and paid. David Scholtze. APS BF85; V66:35-36b; P 3:76.


22 Dec, Saturday. Thomas Griffitts, Esq., Dr. For 2 Advts. in Gazette N265 [31 Dec] of Almshouses, houses and Cording Wood, 10.0. [carried to Acct. of Mayor and Commonalty]. Ledger A&B 294. See next entry.

---. [Philadelphia.] Mayor & Commonalty, Dr. Brought from T. Griffitt’s Acct., For Advt. for a Keeper of the Almshouse, 5.0.; For Do. for a Corder of Wood, 5.0. Ledger D 313. Cf. previous entry.

26 Dec, Wednesday. Thomas Griffitts Esq. Dr. for a Set of Votes [part of Miller 78?], 0.8.
Ledger A&B 43, 44. The Griffiths entry goes on to 5 Jan 1733/4 with Indian Tale (Miller 86).

---. Joseph Growden Dr. for 1 quire Demi Paper, 4.0; a Book; for 2 Quire Demi Royal Paper, 8.0. Ledger A&B 43.

---. Hesselius Dr. for 1/2 lb. Lamp black, 2.6. Ledger A&B 43. Same as second entry of 24 Oct?

---. Edward Horne Dr. for all the Votes of this Session [all the Dec session?]. Ledger A&B 43.

---. Henry Jones Dr. for Votes [part of Miller 78?], 0.10. Ledger A&B 43, 252 (no date).

---. Mr. Plumstead Dr. for a Book of 4 quire Demi Royal, 1.2.0; 2 Sheets Ditto, 0.3. Ledger A&B 43.

28 Dec, Friday. Joseph Growdon, Esq., Dr. For a Sheet Almanack, 0.4.; For 3 quire of Demiroyal Paper, 12.0. Ledger A&B 252.


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Mr. Benizet, Contra, Cr. By 1 piece oxenbrigs, 5.17.7.; By 1 remnant Cambrick, 14.0.; By 1 piece Calico, 2.10.0.; Total 9.1.7. Ledger A&B 267 (no date).

J. Brientnal & C. Brogden, Dr. For 1 Ream Paper, 15.0.; For 2 Doz. Book Almanacks, 7.0. Ledger A&B 254.

Samuel Bustil, Esq., Contra Cr. For Cash by J. Quest, 10.0.; For Cash, 9.6. Ledger A&B 205.

[Thomas] Campbel, Dr. For 2 Spelling Books, 3.4. Dr. For 3 Doz. Almanacks at 3 times, 10.6. Ledger A&B 196.

Robt. Charles, Esq., Dr. For printing 200 Blanks [same as 21 March?], 16.8.; For 4 quire Paper,
5.0.; For 1 Skin Parcht. 3.0. Contra, Cr. By Cash in full, 3.1.2. Ledger A&B 268-69.

[Also] Dr. Total 5.4.2.; Carried to the Proprietors Acct. the Article of Speeches, 2.2.6.,
Total 3.1.8. Ledger A&B 268.

Dr. Chew, Dr. For an Almanack, 0.5.; For a Nomenclator, 1.6. Ledger A&B 292.

[Ann Clifton (I believe)], Dr. For 6 Book and 6 Sheet Almanack, 3.0. Ledger A&B 262.

Beulah Coates, Cr. By Cash, 10.0. Ledger A&B 251.

Mr. Peter Cuff, Dr. For Advertisements, 500, 15.0.; Ditto in the News, 5.0.; For an Advt. of
Servt. in N183 [1 June 1732], 5.0. Ledger A&B 268. Same as 21 March?

David French, Esq., Contra, Cr. For Cash in full, 2.1.6. Ledger A&B 231.

Thomas Green, Contra, Cr. For Cash, 4.1. Ledger A&B 269.


Thomas Hopkinson, Gen. Contra, Cr. For Cash, 2.5.6.; For Cash [?] Writings, 5.0.0. Ledger
A&B 289.

Edward Horne Dr. For Cash paid his Man, 2.0.0. Ledger A&B 194.

Peter Keen, Contra, Cr. For Cash, 3.0. Ledger A&B 273.

H. Keith, Esq., continued, Dr. Brought over 2.16.0. Total 3.7.6. Ledger A&B 225.

Mr. Simon Meredith, Dr. For Cash and Sundries, 54.14.6. Ledger A&B 264.

Brian Oneal, Dr. For a Doz. Primer, 5.0.; For 2 Doz. Almanacks, 7.0. Ledger A&B 316.

Widow Paris, Dr. For an Acct. Book, 12.6. Dr. For a Vademecum [Miller 98], 4.0. Ledger A&B
260. Second item same as 1 Dec.

Benja. Paschal, Dr. For an Almanack, 0.5. Dr. For an Almanack 1734, 0.5. Ledger A&B 226.

Steven Potts, Dr. For Cash paid Dr. Jones, 1.0.0.; For Paper to your Baker, 4.0.; to Baker For an
Almanack & Barr[el] Lampblack, 0.11; For a quire Paper to Baker, 1.8. Contra, Cr. By
Ballance of last Account, 4.3.10-1/2. Ledger A&B 258-59.

Evan Price, Dr. For News 2 Years & 3/4, 1.7.6. Ledger A&B 200.

My Mother [Sarah] Read, Dr. For 2 Doz. Primers, 10.0.; For 3 Cakes Soap, 3.0.; For a Psalm book, 2.6.; For 1/2 Gross Almanacks, 1.1.0. Ledger A&B 302.


Joseph Reed of Trenton, Contra, Cr. 2.13.1½. Ledger A&B 257.

Lawrence Rice, Tobacconist, Contra For Cash, 11.0. Ledger A&B 267.

Elizabeth Roberts, Dr. For 1/2 Doz. Pocket books, 5.0. Ledger A&B 250.

Sept. Robinson, Esq., Dr. For a power of Attorney, 0.4.; For a Sheet Marble paper, 0.4.; For Sealing Wax and paper, 1.3. carried up. Ledger A&B 276.

Mr. Scarth, Dr. For a Book Almanack, 0.5.; For 7-1/2 Lampblack, 1.17.6. Ledger A&B 284.

Nicholas Scull, Dr. Total 15.3.7-1/2. Ledger A&B 252.

Benjamin Shoemaker Dr. For Advert. of Ship Hope, Capt. Read, 5.0. Ledger A&B 172.


Thomas Skelton, Dr. Brought up, 8.15.6. Dr. for Almanacks, 10.6.; For sundry Latin Books for his Son, 1.2.6.; For a quire Paper, 1.1.8. Ledger A&B 219.

Mrs. Staples, Dr. Total £12.7.6. Contra, Cr. For Bread, 1.3.; For Coffee, 1.6.; For Cheese, 5.0.4.; For 1 hundred & ½ Fish at 20/., 1.10.0.; 33 lbs. Ditto, 6.0.; more, 2.1.; 5 Yards at 2/4, 11.8.; 7-1/2 Yards at 2/4, 17.6.; 3-1/2 Yards at 3/6, 12.3.; 3/4 Yard at 3/6, 2.7-1/2; For Cash paid Hon. Harman, 1.10.0. Total 10.12.6. Ledger A&B 162 (first two entries only), 262-63.

John Thomkyns, Dr. For 1 Years News, 10.0. Ledger A&B 278.

Louis Timothee, Contra, Cr. For Cash by Arent Hassart, 7.6.; For Dutch News by Hassart, 1.3.;
For an Advt. in Dutch News, 5.0.; For 4 Sheets & ½ Correcting at 2/6, 11.3. Ledger A&B 279.