Introduction: Franklin’s close friend Hugh Roberts, a member of the Junto, Library Company, Union Fire Company, and other Franklin projects, purchased items on credit in 1734. He and Franklin corresponded until Roberts’s death in 1786. DF’s brother John Read enters the accounts also, and so too does the shrewd old New York printer William Bradford, the father of Andrew. It was on 11 April that Franklin first advertised that he would buy rags, and he thereby became important in papermaking.

In addition to the 1734 accounts in Ledger A&B and in Vol. 66, a bookbinding account at the American Philosophical Society (Hays 3:558), begins ante 23 Aug 1734 and continues to 1737. Interesting binding jobs during the year included three charges on 13 June: Mr. Jewel "for binding a three quire Book in painted paper"; Isaac Brown "for a gilt Binding"; and John England "for binding a Book 6 quire with Paper." The last is a "made-to-order" blank book: if the shop did not carry a blank book to suit, one could be made for the customer at additional cost. On 14 Oct, Mr. Georges was charged "for binding 10 Volumes in Blue and Parchment." Thomas Penn had a “great Book of Birds” (Mark Catesby?) bound, which turns up in the accounts on 7 Nov.

Imprints. Books printed by Franklin occur frequently. On 5 January, Thomas Griffiths and Richard Warden purchased an Indian Tale (Miller 86); Joseph Read of Trenton purchased the New Jersey Laws (Miller 7). In March, William Morgan purchased a catechism (Shorter Catechism; Miller 81). On 1 April, Joseph Jackson purchased The Honour of the Gout (Miller 62). Surprisingly, Franklin’s edition of the Freemasons’ Constitutions (Miller 80) occurs more frequently for binding than for sales: on 13 May, Thomas Hopkinson had his copy of the Constitutions bound; Thomas Penn bound his with gilt (13 May); on 13 June, both James
Bingham and John Newinham (gilt) had copies bound; and on 8 Oct, Philip Syng had his bound. Edward Evans purchased a copy in Aug. We know from the membership records in the Freemasons’ “Liber B” (PHS) that all the individuals who purchased copies of the Constitutions were Masons except Thomas Penn and Edward Evans. Perhaps they belonged to other Masonic lodges. On 13 May Thomas Penn was charged for binding an Arscot (Miller 47) with gilt, and Thomas Smith of New Castle was charged for purchasing a Law (probably the Delaware Laws; Miller 82). Thomas Evans purchased 100 catechisms (probably David Evans, Short Plain Help; Miller 51) on 13 June.

Two entries under Aug demonstrate the advantage BF found in having printers in various locations with whom he did business. When his partner Lewis Timothy in South Carolina returned 50 Tate and Brady’s Psalms (Miller 64), 6 Mason Books (Miller 80), 100 Catechisms (Miller 81), and 40 wt. of pasteboard, BF immediately sent on these same books and pasteboard to his brother James in Rhode Island. Though C. W. Miller records most of the copies of the Freemasons’ Constitutions (Miller 80) that BF sent to other printers, he omits the six sent to James Franklin (Aug). According to an undated entry (May?), BF sent 25 Masonic Constitutions to “Carolina” (to Lewis Timothy in Charleston) and 70 to “Boston” (since Thomas Fleet advertised it, he evidently received them). On 20 Sept, BF charged Andrew Hamilton for printing 6 sheets of New Castle Laws (Miller 82). In Sept, BF charged the Lodge of Masons for binding a finely gilded Constitutions for the Proprietor (evidently Penn also bought his own copy) and one for the Lodge.

The Pennsylvania Assembly paid Franklin £27.0.0 on 15 Aug for printing the Votes and Acts (Miller 77 and 78). Details of charges for the Pennsylvania government printings of 1734-35 are recorded under 14 Oct: BF charged the province of Pennsylvania for three sheets of Votes...
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(part of Miller 95) and for one and a half sheets of Laws of Aug (Miller 91). A number of interesting accounts are recorded only under the year: William Bradford of New York bought 6 New Jersey Laws (Miller 74); Andrew Hamilton paid for printing 9 sheets of Votes (Miller 95?); the Proprietors had an Arscot bound (Miller 47); James Logan paid for the paper in printing Arscot (Miller 47), for binding 7 Catos in marble (Miller 99), and for binding 6 Charges (Miller 72) in marble; and Hugh Roberts bought copies of Jerman’s almanac (Miller 87) and “Poor Dicks” (Miller 85).

BF recorded a number of job printings on credit. Under 5 Jan, John Georges charged 200 blanks (Miller A82) and 300 blanks (A83). Under 1 April, William Biddle charged 200 bail bonds (A71); and Robert Charles charged 300 “Let passes” and 200 “Let passes” (neither in Miller). Under 19 April, Thomas Penn bought 300 Speeches (A64) and 500 blanks (not in Miller). Under 13 May, Thomas Penn charged 200 cases (A80) plus Supplements (A81), 200 bonds (no Miller?), and 373 leases (no Miller?); these were again recorded under 18 May, (when 300 warrants [Miller A84] were added), under Aug, and at the year-end. Under 8 June, Joseph Breintnall charged 88 mortgages (A72), 88 bonds & copies (A73), 88 bonds & warrants (A74), and 88 bonds (A75). On 13 June, Joshua Lawrence charged 120 blanks (A79); and James Steele charged 300 warrants (A84; same as 18 May?). On 28 Aug, the Freemasons were charged for 1000 tickets (A76; same under Sept?). Under Aug, Andrew Hamilton was charged for 100 license bonds (A77) and for 100 certificates (A78). On 20 Sept, (John) Georges was charged for 300 blanks (A83). And at the year-end, under 1734, the proprietors were charged for all the items separately listed during the year.

On 14 Oct, John Read, Deborah’s brother, purchased several items on credit, among them a set of "Scales." He paid off the debt "By Work at Lampblack House" (14 Oct) and by (probably
building) a "Dresser" and "Close stool" (1734). Anthony Nichols received credit "By Dogs [i.e., andirons] & Pothooks." Though BF loaned various persons money, he rarely borrowed, but on 21 May, temporarily out of cash, BF borrowed £6.6 from “mother Read.”

DF often called persons by some identification other than their name, but even BF seems never to have learned the name of the “Dutch Doctor that married Nany,” as he is identified from 1734 through 1738. Accounting was occasionally done in a rush or in confusion. On occasion BF dropped titles altogether ("Jonathan Evans a small Book," 16 Oct), forgot to whom he had sold things (“2 Whole Duties of Man for somebody; a Barclay” on 16 Oct), sometimes ran several entries together, and abbreviated names and titles: “Sam[ue]l Hale[,] Humane”; “Trip woman Bible” on 28 Dec.

Reflecting Franklin’s interest for scientific inquiry, the shop inventory this year included telescopes: he sold them to Joseph Brientnal and C. Brogden (Brockden?) on 8 June and to Joseph Brientnal again on 20 Sept. The PG did a booming business in advertisements, and Franklin continually expanded his stock of imported books, now selling Sacremental Meditations (13 June), Riders Dictionary, the History of England (13 June), Poor Man’s Help (June), along with such standard titles as Barclay’s Apology and Henry Care’s English Liberties (28 Aug), as well as the common stock of educational and religious books--spellers, psalters, and bibles.

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£170.00 Pa currency = £100 sterling; McCusker 184.

3 Jan, Thursday. Evan Morgan, Shopkeeper, Dr. For 1 Doz. Bonds, 3.0. Ledger A&B 254.
5 Jan, Saturday. Thomas Boud, Dr. for an Advertisement, 5.0. paid. Ledger A&B 45, 272 (no date; “of Brewing Tubs”).
---. Mr. Bustill Dr. for [no more information]. Ledger A&B 44.
---. Mr. Fretwel Dr. for Blanks [no amount given]. Ledger A&B 44.
---. Mr. [John] Georges Dr. for Blanks [Miller A82], 300 at 2d each, 1.5.0; 6 quire of Paper, 6.0. paid. Dr For 3 Skins Parchment, 9.0. paid. Ledger A&B 44.
---. Mr. Shreeve Dr. for 1 Doz Laws, 1.4.0. Settled. Dr. for 1 Dozen Laws, 1.4.0. settled. Ledger A&B 44.

---. Richard Warden Dr. for an Indian Tale [Miller 86], 0.6. Ledger A&B 44.

Post 5 Jan, Saturday. Messr. Reddish & Paxton, Dr. For a Bill of Sale, 0.3.; For binding a Bible, 5.0.; For Cash, 2.0.0.; For Cash per his Boy, 1.0.0.; For Lampblack, 2.6. Ledger A&B 294.

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

8 Jan, Tuesday. Carter and Frost Dr for Advt., Gaz. 266 [8 Jan]. 5.0. Ledger A&B 159.

---. Isaac Williams Dr. For an Advt. in Gazette N266 [8 Jan] a Boy , 5.0. Dr. For a blank Book by his Son, 6.6. Ledger A&B 148.

15 Jan, Tuesday. Peter Wishart, Dr. For an Inkhorn, 0.6.; For a Book left unpaid, 4.0.; For a quire paper, 1.0. Ledger A&B 244.

---. Receiv’d of Benjamin Franklin The sum of Three Pounds on Account of Bitead[?], Per me, John Fruen. V66:36a.

Jan. Joseph Growdon, Esq., Dr. For 1/4 hund. quills, 1.0. Ledger A&B 253, 333 (dated only 1734).

Jan. Mr. Hutchinson, Dr. Left unpaid of a Quire of large Post, 0.6.; For 2 Doz. Almanacks, 6.0.; For Advt. in Gazette N434 [7 April 1737], 5.0. Ledger A&B 230.

Jan. Messr. Reddish & Paxton, Dr. For an Almanack, 0.5. Ledger A&B 294.

Jan. Mr. Geo. Schultz, Dr. For Cash, 5£ and Ink, 1s; For the Naturalization, Act. no. 74 [this may refer to the act passed 29 March 1735, Statutes 4:284-85]; For a Book, 1.4.; For an Almanack and Indian Tale [Miller 86], 0.11.; For a Bible by his Brother, 5.0. Ledger A&B 329. Naturalization Act; cf. 24 April 1735.

Jan. Thomas Skelton, Dr. For an Almanack, 0.5.; For 2 quire Paper, 2.8. Ledger A&B 219.

4 Feb, Monday. St. John’s Lodge, for Quota, 0.0.6. Liber B.


---. Mrs. Staples Dr. for Cash paid for Postage, 2.2. Ledger A&B 45.


---. The Hon. James Logan, Esq., Dr. For an Advt. in Gaz. N273 [27 Feb], Servt. from Smith’s Plantation, 5.0.; For an Advt. Single, 5.0. Ledger A&B 357.


Feb. Geo. Cunningham, Dr. For a quire Paper, 1.4.; For a pair Indentures, 0.6. Ledger A&B 227.

Feb. Joseph Growdon, Esq., Dr. For a Skin Parchmt. 3.0.; For Quills, 1.0. Ledger A&B 253.

Feb. Jacob Shute, Dr. For 2 pair Indts; For 2 pair Indentures, 1.4.; For 2 power of Attorney, 0.8.; For 2 pair Indentures, 1.4.; For 2 pair Indentures, 1.4.; For 4 Bills Lading, 0.4. Ledger A&B 248.

Feb. Capt. Wright, Dr. For an Almanack, 0.5.; For 2 quire Books, 2.0. Ledger A&B 272.

1 March, Friday. Ralph Hoy, Dr. For Sundries, 1.10.3. Ledger A&B 170. No year given, but 1734 entries from Simon Edgel are on either side. Cf. 5 March.

4 March, Monday. St. John’s Lodge, for Quota, 0.0.6. Liber B.
5 March, Tuesday. Ralph Hoy, Contra For Things Return’d, 7.3. Ledger A&B 171.
10 March, Sunday. Wm. Biddle Dr. for Advertisements, 5.0. settled. Ledger A&B 45.
---. James Bingham Dr. for a Demi Book, 1 quire 6.6. Ledger A&B 45.
---. [Benjamin] Campbell, Minister, N Castle Dr. for Binding 3 Books, 7.6. paid. Ledger A&B 45.
---. Nicholas Cassel Dr. for binding a folio Bible, 12.0. Ledger A&B 45
---. Edgel Dr. for 3 quire binding, 2.6. Ledger A&B 45.
---. Samuel Par & Son Dr. for a Demi Book, 1 quire, paid, 6.6. Ledger A&B 45.
---. Mr. Plumstead Dr. for 4 quire Demi Paper Bound, 1.2.0. Ledger A&B 45.
---. Charles Read Esq Dr. for binding a Common Prayer, 2.0. Ledger A&B 45.
---. Mr. Read Trenton Dr. for a large Acct Book, 8 quire Demi Paper Sept. 20, 1733, 2.2.8.
  Ledger A&B 45.
---. Nicholas Scull Dr. for binding a Book and Paper, 3.0. Ledger A&B 45, 252 (dated only March).
---. Williams, Skinner, Dr. for Welsh Tickets, paid 1.10.0. Ledger A&B 45.
13 March, Wednesday. I promise to pay Geo. Scholtze [the sum of?] Six pound Eight Shillings & Eight pence Four months after Date on account of Mr L. Thimothee who[?] [?]. Rec’d of Geo. Scholtze & Friderick Ax is writing, my hand. B. Franklin. £6.8.8. [Reverse:] Rec’d [?] 30, 1734. Fair [?] in this wk. [?] George Scholtze. Ditto one pound as paid allso [?] David Scholtze. V66:39a.
21 March, Thursday. Wm. Parker, (Drawbridge), Dr. For Advt. in Gazette N276 [21 March], Scooner Xiana (Christiana), 5.0.; For a quire demi paper, 4.0. Ledger A&B 280.
24 March, Sunday. Wm. Biddle Dr. for a Spelling Book, 1.8. Ledger A&B 45.
---. Cunningham Dr. for a Psalter, 2.0. Ledger A&B 45.
---. Evan Morgan, Shopkeeper, Dr. For 3 Sheets Bills of Lading, 1.6.; For Advertisements, 8.0.; For 3 Sheets Bills of Lading, 1.6.; For Cash, 2.10.0.; For Cash. Ledger A&B 45 (first entry only), 254.
26 March, Tuesday. Mr. Ralph Lees Dr. for 2 single Advertisements, 10.0; For 2 Advertisements in News [PG #268, 23 Jan], 6.0. Ledger A&B 46.
---. Mr. Geo. Schultz, Contra, Cr. By my Note on Timothy’s Acct., 6.8.8.; By a burning Glass had by Timothy, 2.6.; By an Account of Linnen, 3.12.6.; By 2 lbs of Tea, at 11s pound, ½/0. Ledger A&B 330.
---. Then adjusted Accounts with Mrs. Timothee and there is due to me Sixteen Pounds Thirteen Shilling and four pence, I having affirmed to pay for her Fourteen Pounds, Six Shillings & Eight pence for Rent and and to Shultz. This makes Mr. Timothee and me in Philadelphia [incomplete]. Ledger A&B 46. See below, ante 5 Dec 1735.
March. William Morgan, Dr. For an Account Book, 13.0.; For a Psalter, 2.0.; For a Catechism [Miller 81], 0.6; For paper and 2 Almanacks, 2.0.; For an Almanack and pack of Cards, 1.5. Ledger A&B 191.
March. Nicholas Scull, Dr. For Paper and binding a book, 3.0.; For 2 Receipt Book, 1.6. Ledger A&B 252 (first item same as 10 March).
March. Sept. Robinson, Esq., Dr. For Advt. Sale of Pegg’s House [PG #276, 21 March], 5.0. Ledger A&B 277.

March. Mr. Christopher Thompson, Dr. For 4 Barrels Lampblack, 1.8. Ledger A&B 331.

Ante April. Anthony Wilkinson. Dr. For an Almanack, 0.5. For 4 bonds, 7.4. Ledger A&B 272.

1 April, Monday. Wm. Biddle Dr. For 200 bail Bonds [Miller A71], 16.8 paid. Ledger A&B 46.

---. Robert Charles Esq. Dr. For 300 Let passes [provided to Indians and to others crossing the frontier] printed, 1.5.0; For 6 quire Paper, 6.0. Ledger A&B 46, 269. Not in Miller. [Also] Let Passes for R. Charles, 200 paid, 16.8. Ledger A&B 366.

---. Joseph Jackson Dr. For 1 Gout Book [Miller 62], 1.0; For 1 Vade mecum [Miller 98], 0.4. Total 5.0. Ledger A&B 46.

9 April, Tuesday. Mr. Bush Dr. for binding a 4 [quarto] Book, 1.6 charged to Mr. Edgel. Ledger A&B 46.

---. Simon Meredith Dr. for Goods of my Mother by his Son James, May 9, 1732. Linen, &c., 11.8. Ledger A&B 46, 264 (no date).

---. Wm. Noble, an Almanack, 0.5. Ledger A&B 47, 370.

---. Taken out of Mrs. Read’s Book: Stephen Potts Dr. to sundries delivered to Jonathan Fisher, D. Evans and Country Daddy [perhaps a tavern?], 5.2. settled. Ledger A&B 46.

---. [Sarah Read to Benjamin and Deborah Franklin: Sale of part of a lot (the site of the present 318 Market Street) to her daughter and son-in-law.] P 1:362-65. Cf. 10 and 11 April 1734; 12 Oct 1745; and 15 Nov 1751.

---. Mr. Searth Dr. for 7 1/2 lbs. Lamp black, 1.17.6. Ledger A&B 46.

---. Philip Syng Dr. for an Account Book, 5.6. Ledger A&B 46, 322 (date of year only).

10 April, Wednesday. [Sarah Read to Benjamin and Deborah Franklin. Sale of part of a lot (the site of the present 318 Market Street).] Cf. 9 April. P 1:365-67.

11 April, Thursday. [BF and Deborah Franklin and John and Frances Croker to Sarah Read. Lease from the Franklins and the Crokers to Mrs. Read giving her the life use of their half-lot and dwelling house.] P 1:367-70. Cf. 9 April.

19 April, Friday. [BF, bill to Thomas Penn for three charges from July 1733, with receipt marked paid in full by DF on “19th, 2mo, 1734.” The charges were for “printing 300 Speeches with paper” (Miller A64; see 16 and 31 July 1733) 2.2.6.; “Printing 500 Blanks (not in Miller?) at 2d,” 4.3.4; and “Advertisements twice in Gazzette,” 10.0.] Printed in PMHB 14 (1890): 202.

20 April, Saturday. Geo. Cunningham, Dr. For 1 quire paper, 1.8. Ledger A&B 227.

29 April, Monday. Mr. Benezet Dr. for a Bibell, 5.6. Ledger A&B 47.

---. Mr. Hesselius, Dr. For 1/2 lb. Lampblack, 2.6.; For a quire Paper, 1.8.; For a Bible and Psalter, 7.6.; For a Bible, 5.0.; For a quire Paper, 2.0.; For Lampblack 1/2 lb. 2.6.; For 2 pasteboards, 0.6. Ledger A&B 265.

April. William Allen, Esq., Dr. Brot from page 44, £40.17.6. Dr. For a Sermon, 1.6. Ledger A&B 333.

April. Joseph Growdon, Esq., Dr. For Quills, 1.0.; For Quills, 1.0.; For Quills and Paper, 2.3. Ledger A&B 253, 333 (quills at 1.0; dated only 1734).

April. Thos. Lawrence, Esq., Dr. For a Bond, 0.4. Ledger A&B 314.

April. Anthony Morris, Dr. For 3 Sheets Bills Lading, 1.6.; query a quire Book; For a quire Paper and 2 Sheets paid, 2.2. Ledger A&B 314.
April. Benja. Paschal, Dr. For Arbitration Bonds, 0.8. Ledger A&B 226.
April. Messr. Reddish & Paxton, Dr. For 1 Doz. penal Bills, 0.9.; For a Sermon, 1.6.; For a pair Indentures & 1 Doz. penal Bills, 1.5.; For a power Attorney & Almanack, 0.9.; For 1/2 lb Lamplblack, 2.6. Ledger A&B 294.
April. Thomas Skelton, Dr. Brought from page 48&49, 10.18.10.; For a Law, 1.6.; For a Quire Paper, 2.0. Ledger A&B 331.
April. A. Wilkinson, Dr. For a Skin Parchmt., 2.9. Ledger A&B 272.

1 May, Wednesday. Hon.Tho. Penn, Esq., Dr. For Adv't. of things lost out of a Boat, 5.0. Ledger A&B 300.
---. Pennsylvania. Trustees of Loan Office Dr. For Adv't. to change old Bills, 5.0. Ledger A&B 148.
3 May, Friday. Thomas Hopkinson, Gen. Dr. For 1 quire Paper, 1.8. Ledger A&B 288.
8 May, Wednesday. Messr. Reddish & Paxton, Dr. For 1 paper Ink powdr. 1.4. Ledger A&B 294.
13 May, Monday. J. Growdon Dr. for a Book 2 quire, [no amount noted]. Ledger A&B 47. Same as 13 June?
---. T. Hopkinson Dr. to binding a Mason [Miller 80], 1.6. Ledger A&B 47. [Also] 2 Sheets, large parchment, 1.0. Bill Lading, 6.0; Taken out of Mother’s Book. Ledger A&B 47.
---. Thomas Meredith Dr. for a Cake of Soap, 1.0. Ledger A&B 47.
---. Mr. Mogridge 1 pair Apprentice Indentures, 0.8. Ledger A&B 47.
---. Honorable Thomas Penn Esq. Dr. For Printing & Paper of 200 Cases [Miller A80] at 2d, 1.13.4; a Supplement to the same [Miller A81], 5.0. For printing 200 Bonds [no Miller] at 1d per, 16/8, For 4 quire of Paper for the Bonds, 4/; [total for bonds and paper, 1.0.8]; For printing 1000 Bonds & Warrants @ 1d, 4.3.4; For 20 quire of Paper at 12d a quire, 1.0.0; For large Advertisements, 10.0; Ditto in Gazette, 5.0; For Dutch Advertisements, 5.0; For one Sheet Pasteboard, 0.9.; For binding & gilding a large Folio (“a great Book of Birds”), 1.10.0; For ditto Alex Arscot [Miller 47], 2.6; For a Book of Constitutions [Miller 80] gilt, 6.0; For lampblack, 1.0; For the Gazette 2 years, 1.0.0; total 12.2.7. [Dated at end “Nov. 27, 1734.” Errors excepted and signed “B Franklin.”] V66:39b. Ledger A&B 300 has similar list but adds: “For Advertisements 100, 7.6.; For printing 373 Leases [no Miller] at 2d, 3.2.2.; For paper 6 quire for Ditto at 1/6, 1.4.0.; For Alterations, 5.0.; 10.0.” See also 2 Aug and year-end for most of these items.
---. Wm. Rawle left unpaid of a quire of Post, 0.6. Taken out of Mother’s Book. Ledger A&B 47.
---. Mr. Read, Trenton, Dr. for 1/2 Doz. Pair Arbitration Bonds, 5.0. Ledger A&B 47.
---. Mr. Thomas Smith, New Castle Dr. For 2 Doz. Bonds, 5.0; For 1 Law [Miller 77?], 1.6. Ledger A&B 47, 224 (giving 7.0 as the total).
---. A. Wilkinson, a Pencil, 0.8. Taken out of Mother’s Book. Ledger A&B 47.
18 May, Saturday. Honr Thos Penn Esq, Dr. For Printing and Paper of 200 Cases [Miller A80] at 0.2 Per, L1.13.4.; For a Supplement to the same [Miller A81], 5.0.; [Mr. Steel in margin by the following entries] For 300 Warrants [A84] at 0.1 Per, 1.5.0.; 6 quire Paper at 1.3,
7.6.; For binding a Book, 10.0.; For 2 Sermons, 3.0. V66:40. First two entries same as 13 May.

21 May, Tuesday. Mr. Bustill 1/2 quire marble Paper, 3.0. paid. Ledger A&B 47.
---. T. Hopkinson Dr. for a Sermon, 1.6. Ledger A&B 47.
---. Mr. Emerson, Joiner, 1 quire Paper, 1.0. Ledger A&B 47, 370.
---. Then adjusted Accounts with my Mother Read, and I am Dr. to Ballance (Staple’s Money reckoned) 33.12.5 ½. Borrowed Cash of my Mother Read, 6.6. Ledger A&B 47.

23 May, Thursday. Joshua Grainger, Dr. For Advt. of Scooner Ann, N285 [23 May], 5.0. Ledger A&B 324.

24 May, Friday. My Mother Read, Contra, Cr. For Ballance due to her, 33.12.8.; For Cash, 6.6. Ledger A&B 303.

30 May, Thursday. Mr. Hesselius, For binding a Parcel of Swede Books, 14.0.; For 1/2 Pound Lamplblack, 2.6.; For binding a Book of Pictures, 1.6.; For binding 6 Swede Books, 14.0. Ledger A&B 264. Partially same as 13 June.
---. <Tho. Sober, Advt. of Ship, 3 B [i.e., “Three Bachelors”--the ship’s name], 5.0.> [This entry is crossed out.] Ledger A&B 159.

3 June, Monday. St. John’s Lodge, for Quota, 0.1.6. Total 4.1.1. Liber B.

8 June, Saturday. Joseph Brientnal Dr. for 88 Mortgages, 14.8 [Miller A72]; 88 <Bonds> [crossed out] Copies, 14.8 [Miller A73]; 88 Bonds & Warrants, 14.8 [Miller A74]; 88 Bonds, 7.4 [Miller A75]; Paper for the Copies, 5.6; Ditto for the Bonds and Warrants, 9.0; Ditto for Covers, 3.0; For Pasting, 2.0; [subtotal for paper and pasting] 19.6; total 3.10.10. Ledger A&B 48. Same as first item following.
---. J. Brientnal & C. Brogden, Dr. For sundries, 3.10.10. [same as above]; For [Henry Care] English Liberties, 4.0.; For a Telescope, 1.15.0. Ledger A&B 254. Cf. Breintnall, 28 Aug.
---. Robert Charles Esq. Dr. for 150 Licences and 150 Bonds printing, 1.5.0; For 6 quire Paper, 9.0. Ledger A&B 48. [Also] Dr. For 6 quire Paper, 9.0. Ledger A&B 269 (150 licenses and 150 bonds).
---. Dr. Chew Dr. for a Nomenclator, 1.6. Ledger A&B 48.

13 June, Thursday. Wm. Biddle Dr. for a Gilt Letter Case, 5.0. paid. Ledger A&B 49.
---. James Bingham Dr. for binding a Mason Book [Miller 80], 1.6. Ledger A&B 49.
---. Isaac Brown Dr. for a gilt Binding, 4.0; For a Book unbound, 2.6. Ledger A&B 49.
---. Rev. Mr. Evans Dr. for binding a Book, 1.4. Ledger A&B 49.
---. Mr. Evans, of the Great Valley, Dr. For Willard on the Cathecism, 1.10.0; Sacramental Med., 3.0; Blessed Man, 5.0; Spiritual Desertion 1.4; Mitchel on Glory, 3.0; 4 Henry on the Sacraments @ 4s per, 16.0; total, 2.18.4; abated on Henry, 2.0; 2.16.4. Ledger A&B 48.
---. Mr. Thomas Evans of Welsh Tract Dr. For 100 Catechisms [Miller 81] bound a 8d per, 3.6.8.

---. John England Dr. for binding a Book 6 quire with Paper, 15.0. Ledger A&B 50, 370 (370 reads “Dr. for a Book”).
---. Mr. [David] Enoch, Shoemaker, Dr. For an Acct. Book, 9.0. For the Gazette. Ledger A&B 48, 304.
---. Mr. Growdon Dr. for a Book 2 quire Paper, 4.6. Ledger A&B 49. Same as 13 May?
---. Joseph Growdon, Esq., Dr. For a quire Book, 2.2.; For 1/2 quire post paper & 1/4 hund. Quills, 2.3. Ledger A&B 333.
---. Samuel Hale Dr. for Advertisement, 8.0. paid. Ledger A&B 48.
---. Mr. Hesselius Dr. for binding a Book of Pictures, 2.6. Dr. for binding 4 Swede Books, 10.0; for 2 Ditto, small, 4.0. Ledger A&B 49. Partially same as 30 May.
---. Mr. Hoar of NewCastle, Dr. for a Psalm book & an Almk., 2.11. Ledger A&B 48, 370.
---. Mr. Inglis [Englis] Dr. for 2 Advertisements, 10.0. Ledger A&B 48, 370.
---. Mr. Joshua Lawrence Dr. For printing 120 Blanks [Miller A79], at 4d per, 2.0.0; For Paper, 5 quire, 6.8; For Binding, paid. Ledger A&B 48.
---. Mr. John Newinham Dr. for a Binding of a Mason Book [Miller 80], gilt, 4.0; left unpaid of an Acct. Book, 2.0. Ledger A&B 49, 304 (charges 5.0 for the gilt binding).
---. Owen Owen Esq. Dr. for Advertisement, 8.0. Ledger A&B 49.
---. Mrs. [Sarah] Read Dr. for binding a Com[mon?] Prayer, 4.0. Ledger A&B 49, 302 (dated 1734/5).
---. Mr. Reddish Dr. for binding a small 4 [quarto] Bible, 5.0. Ledger A&B 50.
---. John Richardson Dr. for Advertisement, 8.0. paid. Ledger A&B 49.
---. Hugh Roberts Dr. for binding Thomas Brown, 1.6. Ledger A&B 50, 304.
---. Mr. Sewel [Jewel?] Dr for binding a three quire Book in painted Papers, 3.0. Ledger A&B 49.
---. Then adjusted Accounts with Mrs. Shreeve of Burlington and made all even to this Day. Ledger A&B 48.
---. James Steel Dr. for binding a Book, 10.0. Ledger A&B 49, 302.
---. John Syng Dr. for Advertisement, 8.0. Ledger A&B 49, 370.
---. Anthony Wilkinson Dr. for Advertisement, 8.0. Ledger A&B 48.
---. Gaspar Wüster, Dr. For binding a Dutch Barclay, 3.6. Ledger A&B 49, 370.
---. Fenimore & Horner Dr. Gaz. 280 [18 April; ad not identified] For Advt. of Ferry Point, 5.0. Ledger A&B 146.
Ante June. Rev’d David Evans of G. Valley, Dr. for 5 Quire of Demi Paper, 1.0.0. Ledger A&B 230.

June. Rev’d. Mr. David Evans of G. Valley, Dr. For sundries, 2.16.4.; For binding a Book, 1.4.; For 1 Doz. poor Man’s Help &c, 18.0.; For 4 quire Demi royal, 16.0.; For a common plea book, 5.0. Total 4.16.8. [“Contra,” no date; various cash entries totaling 4.16.8.] Ledger A&B 230.

3 July, Wednesday. My Mother Read, Dr. For Cash by Philip Do, 1.15.0. Ledger A&B 303.


---. Messrs. White & Taylor, Dr. For Advt. of Ship Jane, Jn. Richmd. 5.0 [appears in PG #292, 11 July]. Ledger A&B 310.

5 July, Friday. Messrs. Reddish & Paxton, Dr. For 1 Stick Wax & Dickinsons Journal [Miller 119], 2.0. Ledger A&B 294.


18 July, Thursday. Mr. Benizet Dr. for 6 quills, 0.3. Ledger A&B 50.

---. Mr. Farrel Dr. for Advertisement, 5.0. Ledger A&B 50.

---. James Steel Dr. for 2 Sermons, 3.0. Ledger A&B 50, 302.

19 July, Friday. Mr. Benizet Dr. for Bills Lading, 0.6. Ledger A&B 50.

---. Thomas Godfrey for 2 Books and Dr. 2 Quire of Paper, 10.0. Ledger A&B 50, 370 (first entry only).

---. Joseph Turner Dr. for a Quire, Bills of Lading, 6.0. Ledger A&B 50, 370.


---. Mr. Theophilus Grew Dr. for Clavis Commercii[?], 8.0 Ledger A&B 50, 306.

25 July, Thursday. Mr. Simon Edgel, For Ditto [an ad] of a Serv. of Wm. Cox’s, 5.0. Ledger A&B 170.

---. Theophilus Grew, Dr. For Advt. in Gazette, 5.0.; For Sticking Advts. home at 5/P, 10.0. Ledger A&B 306.

---. Capt. Wright, Dr. For a Bottle Ink, 1.0. Ledger A&B 272.

29 July, Monday. Mr. Evans, Reverend, Dr. for 1 Doz Poor Man’s Help & Young Man’s Guide, 18.0. Ledger A&B 50.

---. Theophilus Grew, Dr. For 2&1/2 quire Books, 2.0. Ledger A&B 50, 306.

1 Aug, Thursday. Tho. Hodgkin, a black Mare, Gazette N295 [1 Aug], 5.0. Ledger A&B 370A.

---. Thomas Lawrence, Esq., Dr. For Advt. in N295 [1 Aug], 5.0. Ledger A&B 345.


2 Aug, Friday. Honr Thos Penn Esq. Dr. For printing 200 Bonds at 0.1, 16.8.; Paper 4 quire at 0.12, 4.0.; For printing 1000 Bonds and Warrants at 0.1 each, 4.3.4.; Paper 20 quire at 1.0 a quire, 1.0.0.; For large Advertisements, 10.0.; Ditto in Gazette, 5.0. V66:40. All (plus others) are above, 13 May.


---. Morgan, Benj. Ad for estate of John Roberts, 5.0. Ledger A&B 312. Same as “Accounts
dated only Aug," below.

---. Pennsylvania. Trustees of Loan Office Dr. For Advt. That there is Money in general [loan]
   Office, 5.0. Dr. For Advt. describing a Counterfeit Bill, 5.0. Ledger A&B 148.
---. Dr. Wm. Shippen, Dr. For a Cake of Soap, 1.0.; For Advertisement of Drugs, 5.0. Ledger
   A&B 335.

15 Aug, Thursday. [Pennsylvania Assembly to Benjamin Franklin, for printing the Votes (Miller
   78) and Act (Miller 77) of Assembly, 27.0.0.] Votes 2234.

20 Aug, Tuesday. Isaac Williams Dr. For an Advt. Currans and Raisins, 5.0. Ledger A&B 148.
   Ante 23 Aug, Friday. Dr. Bond a Quarto Book. 7.0.0. Bookbinding Account; V66:42.
---. Fruin for binding a Common Prayer, 2.0. Bookbinding Account; V66:42.
---. Honoroble Thomas Penn, Esq. Dr. For a Sheet Pasteboard, 9; For Dutch tools, 5.0, For the
   Gazette 2 Years, 1.0.2, For binding Catsby’s Birds and gilding, 1.10.0, Ditto A. Arrant,
   2.6, For a Book of Constitutions, 6.0. Same as V66:40.
---. Ranstead a bible 0.3.0. Bookbinding Account; V66:42.
---. Mary Roberts a French Dictionary binding. 4.6. Bookbinding Account; V66:42.
---. Scull a Receipt Book, 1.6; & a small blank book, 1.6; 3s. Bookbinding Account; V66:42.
   Same as “March” above.

23 Aug, Friday. Mr. Flower an Alphabet 1.0. Bookbinding Account; Ledger A&B 369.
---. Mr. Flower an Alphabet, 1.0. V66:42.

28 Aug, Wednesday. J. Brientnal Dr. for [Henry Care], English Liberties, 4.0. Ledger A&B 52.
   Cf. 8 June.
---. Wm. Coleman Dr. for [Henry Care], English Liberties, 4.0. Ledger A&B 52.
---. Cunningham Dr. for Ink powder, 1.4. Ledger A&B 52.
---. [Freemasons] Lodge of Masons Dr. For 1000 Tickets, 4.0.0. Ledger A&B 52. Miller A76.
   Same as Sept?
---. Samuel Pas Dr. for Cash, 2.10.0. settled. Ledger A&B 52.
---. Baker Steven Potts’s Dr. For 2 quire Paper, 4.0. Ledger A&B 52.
---. Mr. John Read, Storekeeper, New Munster 6 Doz. primers, 1.10.0. Ledger A&B 52.
---. Mr. Joseph Read, Trenton, Dr, for 4 Doz Primers, 1.0.0; and an Account Book, 15.0. Ledger
   A&B 52. Same as 27 March (last two items).
---. Advertisements for James Steel he is Dr., 10.0; Gazette [#301, 12 Sept] 5.0. Ledger A&B 52.

29 Aug, Thursday. John Fruin, Dr. continu’d, For Books deliv’d David Murry, 1.16.6. Ledger
   A&B 241.
---. Anthony Morris, Dr. For Advt. of Scooner Dolphin, 5.0. Ledger A&B 314.

31 Aug, Saturday. Lodge of Masons at B. Hubards, Dr. For 3 Constitutions [Miller 80] By John
   Cartharwood, Lan[caster] County, 7.6.; For 1 Constitution to Morgan Sexton, 2.6.; For 8
   by Reynells to Lancaster; For Postage of Commission &c 11/4 & 2/8, 14.0.; [For
   The last two entries are entered under May, above, and Timothy returned five
   Constitutions in Aug.

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---. Mr. Geo. Aston Dr. for Advertisements, 12.6. Ledger A&B 52, 370.
---. Mr. Benizet Dr. for 50 Quills, 1.0. Ledger A&B 50.
---. Mr. Wm. Bradford, New York Dr. For 6 Jersey Laws, 12.0. [Miller 74]. Ledger A&B 52. Same as 1734.
---. S. Bustill Esq. Dr. for 2 quire Paper, 4.0. paid. Ledger A&B 51.
---. Nicholas Cassel, Dr. for Paper and Ink Stand, 2.6; For a quire book, 2.0. Ledger A&B 318.
---. Robert Charles Esq. Dr. For printing 100 Tavern Licences, 8.4; Paper 2 quire, 2.0. Ledger A&B 51, 269 (no date). At the end, BF noted, “Carried to the Proprietors Account, the Article of Speeches” (cf. 10 July 1733: “for paper and printing of 300 Speeches”).
---. Mr. Wm. Coleman Dr. For a Telemachus, 8.0. Ledger A&B 52.
---. B. Eastburn Dr. for 500 Warrants with the Paper, 2.11.8. paid. Ledger A&B 51.
---. Mr. Edward Evans Dr. for a Mason B. [Miller 80], 2.6. paid. Ledger A&B 51.
---. Mr. Evans, Tredyffryn Dr. for 4 quire Demi Royal, 16.0. Ledger A&B 51.
---. Sent to Brother James [Franklin] by Brother Peter [Franklin], 100 Catechisms [Miller 81], 1.5.0; 6 Mason Books [Miller 80], 15.0; 50 Tate & Brady’s Psalms [Miller 64], 3.0.0; 40 w. Pasteboard, 1.6.8; total 6.6.8. Ledger A&B 51.
---. Mr. Wm. Fretwell Dr. for 2 Quire Blanks, 5.0. Ledger A&B 51, 296, 370.
---. Theophilus Grew, Dr. For Paper; For a Folio blank Book, 2.6.; For 4 Tune books. Ledger A&B 50, 51 (first two items only), 306.
---. Andrew Hamilton Esq Dr. For 100 License Bonds [Miller A77], 1.0.0; For 100 Certificates [Miller A78], 10.0. Ledger A&B 51, 270 (no date).
---. Mr. Benj. Morgan, Dr. For Advertisements 300 Num., 15.0.; For Advertisements in Gazette [#296, 8 Aug (above)] of [John Roberts] Robt’s Estate, 5.0.; For Advt. in English & Dutch N306 [17 Oct; appears in #308, 31 Oct] in Gazette of John Baker’s Estate, 10.0.; For 3 m. & a Weeks Gazette, 2.8-1/2. Ledger A&B 312. 300 ads possibly same as 29 Oct.
---. Dr. John Newinham Dr. for a blank book, 5.6; Dispensatory, 10.0; Alphabet, 1.0; Total 16.6. Ledger A&B 51, 304 (with first charge as 5.0, rather than 5.6).
---. Mr. Henry Newton, Esq. of New Castle Dr. For 1 Doz Laws [probably Miller 82], 15.0. Ledger A&B 51, 370.
---. Benja. Paschal, Dr. For An Acct. Book, 1.5.0. Ledger A&B 226.
---. The Honorable Thomas Penn, Dr. For printing 200 Bonds at 1d, 16.8; Paper 4 quire at 12d, 4.0. Ledger A&B 51. [Also] Dr. Brot from Ja. Steele’s Acct. being wrong charg’d the 1000 Bonds & Judgmts printing, 4.3.4.; Paper for Judgments, 20 quire, 1.0.0.; Advt. in Gazette, 5.0.; 18 Books for Lottery at 2/, 1.16.0.; 1 quire Paper, 1.0. Carried to Ledger E. Ledger A&B 301. Cf. Pennsylvania, this date.
---. [Pennsylvania. Loan Office.] James Steel, Esq., Dr. For 1000 Bonds and Warrants at 1d each, 4.3.4.; For Paper 20 quire at 1/, 1.0.0.; For Advertisements, 10.0.; Ditto in Gazette, 5.0. Ledger A&B 51 (first two entries only), 302. Cf. Thomas Penn, this date. Same under Steele, Ledger A&B 302.
---. Stephen Potts Dr. for Cash paid Dr. Jones, 1.0.0. Ledger A&B 52.
---. Sent to Mr Timothy by Robert Stevenson, returned 50 Tate and Brady’s Psalms [Miller 64], 6 Mason Books [Miller 80], 100 Catechisms [Miller 81], Pasteboard 40 wt. & binding Tools. Ledger A&B 50. See below, ante 5 Dec 1735. There is no Robert Stevenson (or Stephenson) listed as sailing between Philadelphia and South Carolina in the early 1730s.
---. Capt. Waters Dr. for Papers & Quills, 2.1. paid. Ledger A&B 50.
4 Sept, Wednesday. Theophilus Grew, Dr. for covering 3 Books pd. Bookbinding Account; V66:42; Ledger A&B 306.
---. Benjamin Franklin Bought of Arent Hassert 1 lb. of green tea at 13.0, 13.0. V66:34c, 35a.
6 Sept, Friday. Dutch Doctor, that married Nany. For a Receipt Book, 1.6.; For an Acct. Book, 12.0.; For a 1/2 Doz. Almanacks, 1.9. Bookbinding Account; V66:42 (first item only; “Nancy” written in margin); Ledger A&B 329.
---. Hopkinson for covering a Tune Book, 1.6. Bookbinding Account; V66:42.
12 Sept, Thursday. Messrs. White & Taylor, Dr. Advt’s of Bantoft’s Estate [appears in PG #301, 12 Sept], 5.0. Ledger A&B 310.
14 Sept, Saturday. Brian O’Neal for Advertisement, Dr. 5.0. Ledger A&B 52, 370.
---. Owen Owen & T. Stapleford for Advertisements Dr., 7.6; Ditto in the Gazette [#302, 19 Sept], 3.0. Ledger A&B 52, 370.
19 Sept, Thursday. Wm. Parker, (Drawbridge) Dr. For Advt. Scooner Christiana, 5.0. Ledger A&B 280.
---. Joseph Brientnal Dr. For a Telescope, 1.15.0. Ledger A&B 53.
---. Wm. Bustill Dr. for a blank Book, 9.0. Ledger A&B 53.
---. Wm. Davis for Red Ink Dr., 0.6. Ledger A&B 53.
---. Mr. Georges Dr. for 300 Blanks printing, 1.5.0 [Miller A83, giving 14 Sept]; Paper 6 quire cut, 12.0; Total 1.17.0. Also Dr. for Red Ink, 0.6.; Dr. for 6 Cakes of Soaps, 6.0. Ledger A&B 53, 306.
---. A. Hamilton Esq. Dr. For printing 6 Sheets New Castle Laws [Miller 82, under date 14 Sept] at 25s, 7.10.0. Ledger A&B 53, 270 (no date).
---. Mr. Pain Dr. To 3 Bills Lading, 0.3. Ledger A&B 53, 370.
---. Mr. John Read N. Munster Credit for Cash received, 1.5.0. Ledger A&B 53.
---. Sent to Mr. Timothee: for sundries sent by Capt. [James] Lusk [Schooner Dolphin, “Cleared” for South Carolina, PG, 25 Sept], L7.9., sent to Mr. Timothy, Ten Ream Paper, 5.0.0; 40 Wt. Pasteboard, 1.5.; 1 Doz Parchment, 18.0; Printing Ink, 6.0; Total 7.9.0. Ledger A&B 53, 298; Eddy 1:17. See ante 5 Dec 1735.
---. Mr. Joseph Yard, Trenton, Dr. For 1000 Writs, 2.10.0. [Note added:] given an Order to J. [Peare?] Ledger A&B 53.
---. Theophilus Grew Dr. For binding a Book, 5.0.; For Ink and Marble Paper, 1.8.; For a Common Prayer Book, 6.0. Bookbinding Account; V66:42 (first entry only); Ledger A&B 306.
25 Sept, Wednesday. Ralph Hoy, Dr. For Advt. of Serv. arrived in Britania [ship], 5.0, also Window Glass, Saws, etc. Ledger A&B 170.
---. Marcus Kuhl, Dr. for Advt’s. Gazette N303 [25 Sept], 10.0. Ledger A&B 370A.
26 Sept, Thursday. John Breintnall Dr. For an Advt. Salt Fish, 5.0. Ledger A&B 142.
28 Sept, Saturday. John Jones Dr. for Cash, 3.0.0. Ledger A&B 53.
---. Evan Morgan Dr. for Cash, 2.10.0. Ledger A&B 53. Same as 24 March?
---. Hugh Roberts Dr. for Bonds, 2 Doz., 3.0. Ledger A&B 53, 304.
Sept. Thomas Hopkinson, Gen. Dr. For a Ream Paper, quire, 1.0.0.; For 2 blank Books, 19.0.;
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For the Gazette from May 31, 1733, to ___ [though blank, the price is for a year]. 10.0.; For a 2 quire Book of Demi, 14.6.; For binding a Receipt Book, 1.6.; For binding 2 Tune books & a Docket, 3.0.; For 21 Yards Holland, 7.16.6.; Total L16.15.10. Ledger A&B 288.

Sept. Lodge of Masons at B. Hubards, Dr. For Tickets, 5.0. Contra, Cr. For Cash in full, 5.0. Dr. For Tickets 1000, 4.3.4.; For a finely gilded Constitutions to the Proprietor [Miller 80], 5.0.; For one finely gilded Constitutions for the Lodge, 5.0. Ledger A&B 240.


---. Benj. Paschal Dr. for Paper, 1.6. Ledger A&B 53.
---. Joseph Read, Esq. of Trenton, Dr. For a Ream of Paper 12/6, an Acct. Book 12/6, 1.5.0. Ledger A&B 53, 292.

4 Oct, Friday. William Biddle, Dr. Settled with Mr. Biddle and received Two Pound Ten Shillings in full to this Day, B. Franklin. Ledger A&B 218.

8 Oct, Tuesday. James Fox’s Account as Settled by my Mother [Read] Due to Me, 0.19.3&1/2; received 2.17.3; more 1.13.7. Total, 4.10.10; Remainder Due to me, 1.8.5; and for News, 1.0.0.; settled all but the News, 2.8.5. Ledger A&B 54.

---. Mr. David Griffith for Caesar’s Commentaries, Dr. 4.0. paid. Ledger A&B 54.
---. Paid Ann Ingram 30s and 40s before makes, 3.10.0. Ledger A&B 54.
---. Paid Mr. M’Call, 3.17.6. in part, remains 4.0.0. Ledger A&B 54.
---. Settled Accounts with Mr. Par, and paid him 3.0.3 in full. Ledger A&B 54.
---. Paid my Mother [Read] 41s, received 1s, 2.1.0. Ledger A&B 54. [Also] Dr. For Cash, 2.0.0. Ledger A&B 302.
---. Paid Reddish 40s, 2.0.0. Ledger A&B 54.
---. Mr. Shultz Dr. for a Bottle Ink, 1.0. Ledger A&B 54. [Also] Cash 5 L. Ledger A&B 370.
---. Philip Syng Dr. for binding a Mason Book [Miller 80] and for Gold and Silver seams, 1.6. Ledger A&B 54, 370.

14 Oct, Monday. Mr. Bingham Dr. for a Dictionary French, 10.0; Telemachus, 8.0. Ledger A&B 55.
---. Mr. Georges Dr. for binding 10 Volumes in Blue & Parchment, 10.0; for binding and ruling a large Folio, 10.0. Ledger A&B 55, 306.
---. Mr. Growdon Dr. for 1/4 C [hundred] Quills, 1.0. Ledger A&B 54.
---. James Hammer Dr. for Advertisement, 5.0. Ledger A&B 55, 370.
---. Lewis Dr. for C. Fulk’s Advertisement, 5.0. Ledger A&B 54, 370.
---. Mr. Mackay Dr. for Advertisements for Postgate, 5.0. Ledger A&B 55.
---. James Meredith Dr. for [Henry Care], English Liberties, 4.0. Ledger A&B 55. Same as nd.
---. Province of Pennsylvania Dr. for 3 Sheets Votes [Miller 95], 3.18.0 & 1 Sheet & 1/2 Laws of Aug [1734] Session [Miller 91], 1.17.6. For printing the Votes & Laws of Oct [1734] following [Miller 95 & first part of Miller 113], 2 sheets & 1/2 at 26/, 3.5.0. Ledger A&B 55 (first two items only), 310. [Since the entries at Ledger 310 give somewhat greater detail and therefore explain the Miller numbers I’ve assigned, these partially redundant accounts will be repeated here:] For Votes of January [1733/4] Sitting [Miller 95], 3
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Sheets at 26/, 3.18.0; For Laws of March Sitting [Miller 92] 5 Sheets at 25/, 6.5.0; [total] 119.3.6; for Votes of March [Miller 95], 2 Sheets and ½ at 26/, 3.5.0; For 150 of the Poor [Miller 93] Act in 8vo, 1 Sheet and ½ at 26/, 1.19.0; For stitching in marble Paper and cutting at 2d each, 1.5.0; [total] 25.12.6. Ledger A&B 310.

---. Brother John Read, Dr. For Cash lent at several Times, 16.6.; For a Great Coat, 1.5.0.; For Scales, 11.0. Contra, Cr. For Work at Lampblack House, 10.0.; Cr. For other little Jobs, 3.10.10.; Cr. For Buttons & Cash, 1.7.6. Ledger A&B 54, 309.

---. White and Taylor Dr. for 12 Doz penal Bills, 9.0. Ledger A&B 55, 310 (no date).


---. Hopkinson a Pocket Book, l.6. Bookbinding Account; V66:42.


---. Theophilus Grew, Dr. For Advertisements in Gazette [in #305-307, 10 Oct - 24 Oct], 5.0. Ledger A&B 306.

---. Upholsterer at Ransteads, Gazette N306 [17 Oct], 5.0. Ledger A&B 370A.


---. ---. 2 Whole Duties of Man for somebody - a Barclay. V66:42.


---. Bought of Arent Hassert 6 lb. of Pepper at 0.9, 4.6. V66:35a.

---. Young Griffith a quire Book. V66:42.


---. Mr. Joseph Noble, Dr. For binding a small Book, 2.0.; For paper and Wafers and a Box, 5.2; For 2 quire paper, 3.0. Bookbinding Account (first entry only; appears under 16 Oct); Ledger A&B 296; V66:42 (first item only).


---. Honr Thos Penn Esq, Dr. For a Sheet Pasteboard, 0. 9.; For Dutch Advts., 5.0.; [Sub-total] 11.8.7; For the Gazette 2 Years, 1.0.0.; For binding Catesby’s Bird’s and gilding, 1.10.0.; For binding A. Arscot [Miller 47], 3.6.; For a Book of Constitutions [Miller 80], 6.0. V66:40. Cf. 13 May, above.

---. Mr. Pillen, Tillotson’s Sermons. V66:42.

25 Oct, Friday. Mr. Georges Dr. for a pair of Indentures, 0.8. Ledger A&B 55, 306.

---. Capt. Marshal Dr. for Books. Ledger A&B 55.

---. Samuel Norris Dr. for a Vademecum, 4.0. Ledger A&B 55, 370.

---. Samuel Parr Dr. for a Vademecum, 4.0. Ledger A&B 55.

---. [Penn, Thomas.] Proprietor Dr. for a Sheet of Pasteboard, 3.9. Ledger A&B 55.


---. Mr. Benjamin Morgan Dr. for Advertisements, 300, 15.0. Ledger A&B 55. Possibly same as Aug.

---. Proprietor [T. Penn], Dr. for Advertisements, 100, 7.6. Ledger A&B 55.


---. My Mother [Sarah] Read, Dr. For Cash to send to Johny [Read], 2.0.0.; For Reddish, 3.0.0.; For Tea, 1.0.0. Ledger A&B 55, 302.
31 Oct, Thursday. Edward Horne Dr. For an Advt. of a Mulatoe, 5.0. Ledger A&B 195.
---. Mr. Benj. Franklin to Geo. Scholtze, Dr. To 1 lb. of Green Tea at 11.0 Per lb., 11.0. V66:36b.
   P 3:76 has “bohea” for “Green Tea.”
---. Benjamin Morgan, Advt in English & Dutch of John Baker’s estate, 10.0. Ledger A&B 312.
   Same as “Accounts dated only Aug,” above.
Oct. James Farrel, Tanner, Dr. For a quire Paper, 1.8.; For an Acct. Book, 12.0.; For an
   Accidance, 1.6. Ledger A&B 278.

Ante Nov. Jonathan Evans, Dr. for 1/2 dozen Almanacks, 2.9. Ledger A&B 292.
6 Nov, Wednesday. Benjamin Franklin Bought of Arent Hassert 2 Crira[?] sarners[?] [cina
7 Nov, Thursday. Lent Mr. Ashmead Cash, 5.0.0. Ledger A&B 55, 262 (no date).
---. Baker of Potts, Dr. for Almanack and Barrel of Lampblack, 0.11. Ledger A&B 56.
---. Mr. Edgel Dr. for a bound Book of Bonds. Ledger A&B 56.
---. Mr. Evans a Com[mon]place Book, 5.0. Ledger A&B 56.
---. Mr. Georges Dr. for a Power Attorney, 0.4. Ledger A&B 56, 306.
---. Ann Ingram Dr. for Cash, 10.0. Ledger A&B 56.
---. Mr. James Macky [Mackey] Dr. for a Demy Book 4 quire, 1.8.0. Dr. N309 [7 Nov; ad
   appears in #310, 14 Nov]. For an Advt. of West India Salt, 5.0. Ledger A&B 56 (first
   item only), 337 (latter two items).
---. Mr. Thomas Penn, Prop. Dr. For binding a great Book of Birds [Catesby?], 1.10.0; For
   Binding Alexander Arscot [Miller 47] 3.0; For A Book of Constitutions [Miller 80], 6.0.
   Advertisements in Dutch, 5.0. Ledger A&B 56. Same as 13 May.
---. Wm. Rawle Dr. for Almanac, 0.5. Ledger A&B 56.
---. Reddish Dr. for Cash, 1.0.0. Dr. for Lampblack, 2.6. Ledger A&B 56.
---. Thomas Skelton, Dr. for sundry Latin Books for his Son, 1.2.6. Ledger A&B 56.
---. Paid Mr. Sober for Dewees, 12.10.0. Ledger A&B 55.
---. Daniel Syng Dr. for an Advertisement, 5.0. Ledger A&B 56, 370 (omits the “an”).
---. Sent to Timothy by Capt [Thomas] Crossthwaite [cleared 21 Nov], 500 Almanacks [Poor
   Richard?; Miller 85], 5.0.0; 6 dozen Primers [perhaps a Franklin imprint of The New-
   England Primer Enlarged; cf. Miller 732n], 1.10.0. Ledger A&B 56, 298 (“Croswit”
   only).
---. John Wilkinson Dr. for Advertisements last Year and this, 16.0; Ditto in News [21 Nov] &
   Almanack, 10.0. Ledger A&B 56.
14 Nov, Thursday. Benjamin Franklin Bought of Arent Hassett 7-1/2 lb Peppers at 0.9, 5.7 & ½.
   V66:35a.
16 Nov, Saturday. Mr. James Mackey, Dr. To B. Franklin for Advt. Snigle [single] & News, 8.0.
   Gaz. N309 [7 Nov], under Gaz. N310 [14 Nov]. Advt of West India Salt; 4 qr. Demy
   Book, 1.4.0. Ledger A&B 378, 246 (last item only); Ledger D 33 (last item only). [Also]
   Cr. To a piece of Linnen Cloth at £4.5.0. V66:56a.
21 Nov, Thursday. Jacob Duche, Dr. For Advt. of Spence’s Estate, Gaz. N311 [21 Nov], 5.0.
   Ledger A&B 212.
---. Estate of Saml. Nickols, Advt. Gazette N311 [21 Nov; ad appears in #313, 5 Dec]. Ledger
   A&B 370A.
22 Nov, Friday. Messrs. Reddish & Paxton, Dr. For a Doz. penal Bills, 0.9. Ledger A&B 294.
27 Nov, Wednesday. [Thomas Penn’s bill of 13 May; BF added a note dated 27 Nov: “Errors
accepted per Ben Franklin.”] V66:39b.
Nov. Mr. Jonathan Evans, Dr. For binding a small Book. Ledger A&B 292. Same as 16 and 21
Oct.
---. Tho. Lawrence, Esq., Dr. For 6 pair Servts. Indents. 3.0.; For 12 pair Servts. Indents., 6.0.;
For 13 Almanacks, 3.9-1/2. Ledger A&B 314.
---. Jonathan Mifflin, Dr. For a 6 quire Book, 9.0.; For a Doz. Almanacks 3/6 & a Doz primers 5,
8.6.; For a Doz. primers, 5.0. Ledger A&B 329. First item same as 16 and 21 Oct.
1 Dec, Sunday. Mr. Steel to B. Franklin, Contra, Cr. For 200 Warrants return’d, 1.1.8.; Ballance
due 9.8.0. V66:41a. See entry for 1734 (no month or day) for complete purchase.
3 Dec, Tuesday. Mr. Franklin please to pay to Fridrich Ax Twenty Shill[ings] upon acct’t of
Louis Timothee an old Debt., his Receipt Shall Discharge you upon that note of hand Per
5 Dec, Thursday. Wm. Crossthwaite, Dr. For Advt. of Wigs stolen, N313 [5 Dec], 5.0. Ledger
A&B 349.
---. Wm. Rakestraw Dr. For an Advt. of a Lot to be sold, 5.0. Ledger A&B 144.
7 Dec, Saturday. Messrs. Reddish & Paxton, Dr. For 1 quire paper, 2.0. Ledger A&B 294.
10 Dec, Tuesday. Mr. Cunningham Dr. for an Almanack, 0.5. Ledger A&B 56.
---. Thomas Hopkinson for a Demi Book 3 quire Double rul’d., 1.3.0. Ledger A&B 56.
12 Dec, Thursday. Thomas Lawrence, Esq., Dr. For Advt. in N314 [12 Dec] Stork Galley, 5.0.
Ledger A&B 345.
17 Dec, Tuesday. Joseph Jackson, Bristol, Dr. For Advt. Things stolen, (see Gazette [is crossed
through, but the reference is to PG 315, 19 Dec.], query if single, 5.0. Ledger A&B 177.
20 Dec, Friday. Dr. Flexney for Advertisements, 8.0. Ledger A&B 57.
---. Mr. Growdon Dr. for a 2 quire Book, 4.0. Ledger A&B 57.
---. Mr. Rees Pritchard, Eastown [of Whiteland], Dr. for Advertisement single, 5.0. Ledger A&B
57, 369, 370.
---. Mrs. [Elizabeth] Roberts Dr. for 1/2 Doz Pocket Books, 5.0. Ledger A&B 57, 250 (dated
only 1734).
21 Dec, Saturday. Messrs. Reddish & Paxton, Dr. For 1 quire paper, 2.0. Ledger A&B 294.
---. Mr. Benj. Franklin to Geo. Scholtze, Dr. To 1 lb. bohea Tea at 11.0, 11.0. V66:36b.
---. Saml Hale Humane --- binding, 1.3; a book. 16.0. Bookbinding Account; V66:42. Same as
Dec 1735.
---. Charles Read Esq binding Dict. 5.0. Bookbinding Account; V66:42.
29 Dec, Sunday. Anon. Mr. [blank space] The Maryland Post Dr. for 4 Doz Almanacks, 14.0.
Ledger A&B 57, 370.
---. Widow Baker Dr. for 2 Advertisements, 10.0. Ledger A&B 57, 370.
---. Mr. Benizet Dr. for a Ream of Paper, 13.0; & an Almanack, 0.5., for Receipt Book, 3.8.0. Ledger A&B 57.
---. D. French Esq. Dr. for 1/2 Doz. Skin Parchment, 14.0. Ledger A&B 57.
---. Samuel Hale Dr. for an Acct. Book, 9.0., Dr. for 3 quire Paper, 5.0. Ledger A&B 57. Same as 1734.
---. Mr. Hopkinson Dr. for a quire Paper. Ledger A&B 57.
---. Mr. Sikes Dr. for Advertisement, 5.0. Ledger A&B 57, 370.
---. Thomas Skelton Dr. for 1 quire Paper, 1.8. Ledger A&B 57.
31 Dec, Tuesday. Messr. Reddish & Paxton, Dr. For Ink, 0.4. Ledger A&B 294.

Accounts dated only 1734:
William Allen, Esq., Dr. For a quire Bills of Lading by J. Farel, 6.0. Ledger A&B 212. Perhaps same as 13 June 1735.
Mr. Benizet, Dr. For Ink and a Pair Indentures, 1.6. Ledger A&B 266.
Dr. [Thomas] Bond, Dr. For a quarto Book, 7.0.; For 1/2 an Advt. of Drugs, 2.6., Total 2.3.6. Ledger A&B 314; (first entry only) V66:42.
William Bradford, N. York, Dr. For 6 Jersey Laws [Miller 74], 12.0. Ledger A&B 192. Same as Aug.
Mr. [Thomas] Campbel, Dr. For 1 Doz Almanacks, 3.6. For 1 Doz ditto, 3.6. Ledger A&B 196.
Mrs. Carpenter, Dr. for 6 Almanacks, 1.9. Ledger A&B 363.
Stephen Chace, Dr. for a Book blank, 1.0. Ledger A&B 363.
Coleman, Shoemakr. Dr. to ballance, 1.10, and 1 Almanack, 0.5. Ledger A&B. 363.
Mr. Wm. Cooper, Dr. For a Quarto Book, 4.0.; For 1 Doz. primers, 5.0. Ledger A&B 335.
William Crossthwaite Dr. For a Cake of Soap, 1.0. Dr. For a Bond, 0.4. Ledger A&B 183. [Also] Dr. query, For Advt. Sloop Charming Betty (query), 5.0. Ledger A&B 349.
Mr. Dagworthy, 1 Doz. Almks. 3.6. Ledger A&B 363.
Benj. Douty[?] of Princetown, Dr. sund. 15.6. Ledger A&B 363.
James Farrel, Tanner, Dr. For 2 quire Paper, 2.6. Dr. Carried to Ledger E, Total 5.10.8. Ledger A&B 54 (first entry only), 278.
Thomas Fleet of Boston, Dr. For 200 almanacks, 2.10.0. Ledger A&B 290 (no date, but before Dec 1735).
John Fruin, Dr. For binding a common Prayer, 2.0. Ledger A&B 241. [Also] Dr. Brot from page 66, 6.6.5.; For a quire paper, 1.8.; For a primer, 0.6.; For a Bible, 5.6. Ledger A&B 337; V66:42 (binding entry only).
Joshua Grainger, Dr. For a Bible and an Almanack, 5.5. Ledger A&B 324.
Thomas Griffitts, Esq., Dr. For a quire Book, 2.0. Ledger A&B 294.
Joseph Growdon, Dr. for a Book, 2 quire. Ledger A&B 47. Dr. Carried to page 138, L4.7.0. Ledger A&B 253. [Also] Dr. Brought from page 78, 4.7.0.; For a quire Book, 2.0.; For 1/2 quire Royal Paper, 2.9.; For quills, 1.0.; For 1/2 quire Royal paper, 2.9. Ledger A&B 333.
Mr. Grue [Grew], 4 Tune Books [no amount given]. V66:42.
Samuel Hale, Dr.
For an Acct. Book, 9.0. Dr.
For an Acct. Book, large Paper, 16.0
Ledger A&B 190.
Same as 29 Dec.
A. Hamilton, Esq., Dr.
For printing and Paper of 9 Sheets of [Pennsylvania] Votes [Miller 95?]
at 26/, 11.4.0. Dr.
Total 20.17.6.
Contra, Cr.
For Cash in full, £20.17.6.
Ledger A&B 270-71.
Mr. Thomas Hopkinson 2 Sheets large Parchment <Bills Lading> [crossed out], 6.0. Taken out of Mothers Book, Ledger A&B 47.
Contra, Cr.
For Cash for the Acct. Book, 1.4.0.;
For Cash borrow’d, 2.0.
Total 8.11.6.;
By Cash, 8.4.4.
Total £16.15.10.
Ledger A&B 289.
Edward Horne Dr.
For Paper, Ink, and a Sermon, 3.3.
Dr.
For an Almanack, 0.5.
Ledger A&B 195.
James James, Esq., For 3 Doz. Almanacks, 10.6.
Ledger A&B 290.
Ledger A&B 363.
Henry Jones, Dr.
For a pair Arbitration Bonds, 0.8.
Dr.
Carried to Ledger E.
Ledger A&B 252.
John Jones, Shoemkr.,
Dr.
For a quire Paper, 1.3.
For 2 Bills of Sale, 0.6.
For a quire Paper, 1.6.
Ledger A&B 201.
Doctor Kearsley, Dr.
For post paper and Sealing Wax, 3.6.
Ledger A&B 335.
The Hon.
James Logan, Esq., Dr.
For Paper in doing Arscot [Miller 47], 9-5/6 Reams at 17/6, 8.12.4.;
For 7 Catos [Miller 99] in Marble;
For 6 Charges in Marble [Miller 72];
For the Gazette 1 Years to Oct 1736, 3.10.0.
Ledger A&B 357.
<Mr. Mackey ?> [crossed out]
Dr.
charg’d below, 8.0. [This entry is crossed out.]
Ledger A&B 54.
Wm. Mode, Dr.
1/2 quire paper, 0.2.;
1 pow. Attorney, 0.4.
Ledger A&B 363.
Evan Morgan, Shopkeeper,
Dr.
For a quire Bills Lading, 6.0.;
For 1 Doz.
Almanacks, 3.6.
Ledger A&B 254.
John Morris, Dr.
For an Advt. of a Fulling Mill, 5.0.
Carried to Ledger E.
Ledger A&B 284.
Dr. John Newinham, Dr.
For the Gazette one Year, 10.0.
Dr.
Total 1.13.0.
Ledger A&B 304.
Anthony Nichols, Dr.
For Cash, 15.0.;
For Barclay’s Apology 8.0.;
For a gilt Bible, 7.6.;
For Cash, 5.0.;
1.15.6.;
For a Power Attorney, 0.4.;
For an Account Book, 8.0.;
For an Almanack 1734, 0.5.
Contra, Cr.
By [fireplace] Dogs & Pothooks, 1.15.6.
Ledger A&B 256-57.
Brian Oneal, Dr.
for 2 doz primers, 10/;
1/2 doz almanacks, and pap 2/1, 12.1.
Ledger A&B 316.
Owen Owen Esq.
Dr.
For Advertisements, 8.0.
Dr.
For Advertisements with Stapleford, 5.3.
Ledger A&B 174.
Benja. Paschal, Dr.
For Paper, 1.6.
For a quire paper, 2.0.
Ledger A&B 226.
John Pigot of Nottingham, Dr.
For 3 Doz. Almanacks, 10.6.
L1.16.0.
Ledger A&B 290.
Pratt, Henry [or Henry, Pratt],
1 quire brown Paper, 0.4.
Ledger A&B 363.
The Honourable Proprietaries to B. Franklin, Dr.
For Paper and Printing 200 Cases [Miller A80]
at 0.2, 1.13.4.;
For the Supplement to those Cases [A81], 5.0.;
For printing 200 Bonds, 16.8.
Paper 4.0, [total] 1.0.8.;
For a Sheet Pasteboard, 0.9.;
For Advertisements 100 large, 7.6.;
For binding a great Book of Birds [Catesby], 1.10.0.;
Ditto Alex Arscot [Miller 47], 3.0.;
for Advertisements in Dutch, 5.0.;
For printing 1000 Bonds & Warrants at 0.1 Per, 4.3.4.;
For 20 Quire Paper used in Ditto at 0.12 Per, 1.0.0.;
<For large advertisements, 0.7.6> [crossed out];
For Ditto [Advertisements 100 large--see arrow in ledger] in Gazette, 5.0.;
For printing 373 Leases at 0.2, 3.2.2.;
For Paper 16 quire for D[itt]o [leases] at 1/6, 1.4.0.;
<For Alterations after Composing, 5.0> [crossed out];
For 200 more Dutch Advertisements, 10.0.;
For the Gazette two Years, 2.0.;
[Sub-total] 17.4.9.;

Cf. 13 May. Also in BF’s bill to Proprietors, 30 March 1757 in Penn Papers, Private Correspondence 4:236, adding “For Lampblack, 1.0; For Book of Constitutions, gilt, 0.6.0; for 1 Quire of Paper, 0.1.0.”

Province of New Jersey Dr. For advertising counterfeit Bills, 5.0. Ledger A&B 146.

Ranstead, a bible, 3.0. V66:42.

William Rawle Dr. For a quire Book, 2.0. Dr. For an [Henry Care,] English Liberties, 4.0.
Ledger A&B 195. [Also] Dr. left unpaid of a quire of Post, 0.6. Taken out of Mother’s Book. Ledger A&B 47.

Charles Read Dr. For binding a Book, 5.0. For binding a Dictionary (query), [no amount noted].
For a Book Bills of Lading, 8.0. Ledger A&B 179.

Hugh Roberts, Dr. query For binding Coles Dictionary, 1.6.; For 1 Doz. Jerman’s Almanacks [Miller 87], 3.6.; For 2 Doz. poor Dicks [Miller 85], 7.0.; For 2 Doz. Jerm’s. [Miller 87] & Grews [Evans 3777], 7.0. Ledger A&B 304.

John Roberts, Dr. for 1 Doz. Bonds, 3.0. Ledger A&B 363.


Joseph Scull, Dr. For 2 Quire Books and a bound Book by Molly, 14.0. Ledger A&B 218.

Nicholas Scull, Dr. a Receipt Book 1.6 & a small blank Book 1.6, 3.0. V66:42; Ledger A&B 252. Carried to Ledger E, Fol. 17.

Jacob Shu, Contra, Cr. For Hooping Tubbs, 1.0. Ledger A&B 249.

Thomas Smith of N.Castle, Dr. For 4 Doz. Almanacks, 14.0. Dr. For an Advt. of Creditors & Debtors in Gaz. 285 [23 May]. 5.0. Ledger A&B 225.

Snowden, for Coarse paper, 0.6. Ledger A&B 363.

Mr. Steele to B. Franklin, Dr. For printing 1000 Bonds & Warrants [Miller A85] at 1 penny Per, 4.3.4.; For 20 quire of Paper used in the Bonds & Warrants at 0.12 Per, 1.0.0.; For printing 200 Bonds at 0.1, 16.8.; For 4 quire of Paper, 4.0.; For printing 300 Warrants [A84] at 0.1, 1.5.0.; For 6 quire Paper at 0.15, 7.6.; For binding a folio Book, 10.0.; For 4 Cakes of Crown Soap, 4.0.; For a Stand 0.8 and a Skin Parchment 3.0, 3.8.; For 1/4 hund. of Quills, 1.0.; For 2 Laymen’s Sermons, 3.0.; For 1 Ditto, 1.6.; For large Advertisements, 10.0.; For Ditto in Gazette, 5.0.; For Dutch Advertisements, 5.0.; For the Gazette 1 Year, 10.0.; [Total] £10.9.8. V66:41a. [Also] Dr. Brot from Fol. 52. [Note in margin: “carry’d to Proprietaries”]. Same in Ledger A&B 302-3. Carried to Ledger E. Partially same entries under 13 May (“Penn”) and under “Proprietors.”

Stillman, Shoemakr. 1 quire brown, 0.4. Ledger A&B 363.

Timothy, Louis. Dr. For Cash assum’d to pay for him, £14.6.8; For Ballance due to me at his Wife’s Departure, 2.6.8; For sundries sent by Stephenson [no amount, but see above, Aug]; For sundres sent by Capt. Lusk, 7.9.0 [see above, 20 Sept]; For 500 Almanacks set per Croswit, 5.0.0 [see above, 7 Nov]; For 6 Dox Primmers, 1.10.0. Ledger A&B 298.

Richard Warder, Dr. For 1 Ream Paper, 15.0.; For an Indian Tale [Miller 86], 0.6.; For primers and Almanacks, 6.0. Ledger A&B 264.

Wm. Warner, Lampblack, 0.6.; Paper 1.2; Paper, 2.6; Lampb. 1.0., 3 quire Pap. 3.0.; Lampblack, 0.6. Ledger A&B 363.

A. Wilkinson, a Pencil, 0.8. Ledger A&B 47. Dr. For an Almanack, 0.5.; For 4 Bonds,
1.4. Ledger A&B 272.
Mr. Wolaston, Dr. For 2 half Reams paper, 14.6. Ledger A&B 316.
Dan’l. Worthington, Dr. a large Bible, 1.10.0. Ledger A&B 363.