Introduction: In his last year of business as a printer, Franklin was still selling numerous copies of his books to the wife of his early Charleston partner, Mrs. Lewis Timothy (11 March and 17 Nov). He evidently had a new employee, Isaac Lincoln, who probably was not a journeyman printer, but did “sundry jobs” (21 Aug). An apprentice, James Chattin, was living with the Franklins (16 July (c)). A new bookbinder, Nathaniel Holland, turns up frequently in the 1747 accounts. The Rev. Henry Melchior Muhlenberg (1711-87), minister and diarist, turns up in Franklin’s accounts on 25 July when he bought some religious books, including Jonathan Dickinson’s Vindication of God’s Sovereign Free Grace (1746). Entries for 2 and 5 June demonstrate the intricate business relationship between Franklin and Robert Grace. On 2 June, Grace was debtor to Franklin for "Cash p'd Jos. Warder Ground Rent for back Lot 40.0; The same share pd Yearly ever since my Possession." A later entry for Joseph Warder explains the arrangement: "Receiv’d of Benjamin Franklin, Forty Shillings being in full for quitrent due in April last, on Mr. Grace’s Lot in <Market Street>, Pewter Platter Alley" (5 June). A puzzle in Grace's account concerns "D. Stevens's News" (21 April). I have no good idea what that is.

Solomon Fussell mended two cane armchairs for the Franklins (19 Aug), who were now beginning to live like the well-off citizens that they had become. Franklin owned a sorrel horse, Jack, and on 30 April, Franklin paid William Maugridge 43.0. "for Keeping and Shoeing Jack." On 10 Aug, he paid for a chaise house, presumably a small building on his lot where a chaise could be kept. Evidently good sugar was cheaper in Boston, for Franklin asked his brother John to send him sixty pounds worth
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in Old Tenor currency (2 April).

Imprints. Franklin printed a pocket edition of the Psalms “Allowed by the Kird of Scotland” (Miller 412), sending two dozen to Mrs. Timothy in Charleston on 11 March, three dozen to Joshua Blanchard in Boston on 20 May, and four dozen to James Parker on 8 Oct. Though single copies were sold for 1.6, Franklin wholesaled them for 1s. James Burgh’s jeremiad Britain’s Remembrancer enjoyed popularity in England, so Franklin reprinted it, noting sales to Antony Nichols on 11 Nov (for resale) and a single copy to Robert Cathcart on 27 Nov. The comparatively expensive spelling book (2.6) that BF sold to William Bradford (1 & 9 April--same entry), Christopher Marshal (14 April), and Anthony Newhouse (23 May) was probably Thomas Dilworth’s New Guide to the English Tongue, for which Franklin made or had made a set of Americanized woodcuts illustrating Aesop’s fables, one of which he used in Plain Truth (Miller 416 & 417). At first BF charged nothing for the Associator items, therefore such pamphlets as Plain Truth do not show up in the 1747 accounts. But as the crisis dwindled and the finances became secure, BF charged Gustavus Hesselius on 20 June 1748 for a copy of Plain Truth, and on 13 Aug 1748 he charged the second Lottery Managers Association £12.10.0 for German versions. He noted then, “I charge nothing for the Printing I did myself in 2000 Plain Truths [Miller 416 and 417], 500 Association Papers [Miller 411], 1000 Lottery Schemes [Miller 410], Tickets [Miller 410n] &c for the first Lottery, with Paper &c amount’g in the whole to £52.5.0. at the common Prices.

In the spring Franklin gambled on a reprinting of Richard Blackmore’s religious variation of the oriental letter genre in Letters between Theophilus and Eugenio and recorded sales to Anthony Nichols and Joseph Wharton on 21 Aug, to Casper Wister on
24 Sept, to James Parker on 5 (and 8) Oct (45 copies at 1.0), and one to the poet and schoolteacher William Satterwaite at the single copy price of 1.6. It seems surprising that Franklin evidently brought out at his own expense the Baptist Abel Morgan’s defense of infant baptism, but perhaps the previous pamphlets between the Presbyterian Samuel Finley and the Baptist Abel Morgan over baptism had sold relatively well. BF, however, recorded no individual sales of the book, and only a few to the merchant Joseph Burden (21 Aug) and 24 to James Parker (5 and 8 Oct). William Read (25 March) and Thomas White (24 May) both bought copies of the collections of Pennsylvania laws (Miller 288, which was still selling for 1.5.0 at least until 1753) plus the laws to date, though Miller 429 was no doubt not yet available. It may be the “Votes” that Stephen Potts bound for 4s (22 Jan 1748) were a few copies of the Votes of the session of 1746-47 (Miller 430).

For printing the last paper money (the 1 Aug 1746 emission [Miller 403]), the assembly paid BF £181.17.10; for purchasing from England the Statutes at Large, £57.15.0; [the following is probably for printing the official government documents] "per order," 136.16.9; John Kinsey, for Franklin, 12.11.4; for Franklin as Clerk of the House and for Postage of letters, 67.14.4 (26 Aug).

The absence of records of sales for the Votes, proclamations, laws, and other official records of the legislature suggests that BF had begun keeping these accounts in a separate record book. As noted in the introduction for 1745, he had evidently begun keeping track of job printing in another record book by that date. Indeed, the job printing records in 1747 with Hugh Roberts tends to confirm that hypothesis: Roberts bought a ream of tobacco papers from BF on 1 Jan and 2 reams on 24 May. These records,
however, are in Roberts’ s own accounts, and not in the BF records available.

**Paper Merchant.** The papermaker Matthew Murice (Matthias Meuris), who had become a major supplier of Franklin’s paper in 1742, died in 1746 or 1747. At the sale of his estate, Jacob and William Levering bought 70 reams of brown Paper, & 27 reams & 8 quires of printing paper which they resold to Franklin (5 June). On 2 July, BF bought twenty reams of writing paper and a role of parchment from Peter Turner, who seems to have been a merchant rather than a papermaker. BF’s major suppliers of paper continued to be the papermakers Anthony Newhouse and Thomas Wilcox, with Conrad Shutz and Jacob Hage also selling him paper. BF’s major customers were the printers, with Jonas Green of Annapolis, William Parks of Williamsburg, Christopher Saur of Germantown, and James Parker of New York being his major purchasers. Of course numerous individuals bought small amounts.

**The Shop.** Franklin continued to sell miscellaneous printer’s supplies to the other printers, with Jonas Green of Annapolis bying two ball hooks on 14 Aug. Among the interesting items Franklin sold this year were "2 Chests at 7, 14.0." to the Annapolis printer Jonas Green (1 April), and tickets for the Boston lottery (5 Aug, Mr. James Bingham, Senior) at the major gambler’s price of “15.15.0." Franklin took in credit an unusual currency, a "Doublo[on]," from William Parson, which, with exchange, came to 5.8.0. (20 July). The accounts show that Franklin paid Robert Grace’s "County Tax" of 6.8. (7 March) and paid off Mr. Timothy Matlock's tab, "his Acct. for Sm[all] Beer in full, 10.13.19." (6 Oct).

**Postmaster.** Post rider John Murphy (see introduction for 1745) shows up again on 4 April. In a not unusual transaction, Franklin paid Murphy a pound on 22 May and
assumed the debt Murphy owed to Charles Stow. Two other riders, Stephen Gapen and Daniel Beacingrace (27 March and 18 July) appear in 1747. Gapen received "Six Pounds, Five Shillings for Riding Post, One Month L3:15" (10 March); "Fifty Shillings in full for Riding Post to New York One of the Fortnight Stages" (27 March); and "Thirty Shillings and 4 1/2, 1.10.4-1/2" (22 May).

Because of poor health, Gov. George Thomas left Pennsylvania on 1 June, 1747, and he advertised with Franklin for all persons to settle their accounts with him before he left (11 May).

£183.78 Pa currency = £100 sterling: McCusker 185.

Chronology:
1 Jan, Thursday. Library Company, Dr. For printing 1000 Notes [Miller A200], 1.0.0.; For Catalogues, etc [Miller 391]. 7.10.0. Ledger D 252.
---. Mrs. Nutt, Dr. Pilgrims Progress & Wax, 2.6. Ledger D 47. Transfer’d to Ledger E, fol 59.
---. BF billed Hugh Roberts for printing one Ream Tobacco Paper, 0.10.0. Cf. 21 March 1757; Charles Morton Smith Mss, PHi.
2 Jan, Friday. Mr. Robert Grace, Dr. Pinns & Tape 3.10. Ledger D 383.
3 Jan, Saturday. Mr. Robert Grace, Dr. Tea 16.0. Ledger D 383.
---. Gustavus Hesselius, Dr. Germ. Grammar, 12.0. Ledger D 50.
---. Mr. Rob't Montgomery, Alanstown, Cr. Quils 1.6. Ledger D 160.
---. Newtown Mercury (Dan'l), Dr. Letters, 11.8. Ledger D 223.
---. Anthony Newhouse, Dr. Almk. 1.3. Ledger D 389.
8 Jan, Monday. Mr. Wm. Fry, Cr. by Cash per Jos. Richardson £2.10. Ledger D 181. 9 Jan, Tuesday. Mr. Tho. Wilcox, Dr. Cash 108.0.; Bible 6.6.; Hund. Quills, 1.6. Per Cr[ontr]a Cr. Pastbd. 63 lb., 3.8.3.; Pastbd. 29 lb. Ledger D 355-56.
---. Mr. Thos. Williams, hatter, Dr. Settled from the Beginning of. Ledger D 182.
12 Jan, Monday. Wm. Bradford, Dr. To 3 Doz. Almanacks, 10.6. Vol. 66, p. 78; account with BF, PHi.
13 Jan, Tuesday. Mr. William Biddle, Dr. Cash omitted, 10.0.0. Ledger D 61.
---. Rec’d of Mr. BF Ten Pounds Per Account, Per me, Frances Farrell, L10.0.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 38.
---. John Ross, Dr. Paper 18.0, Ledger 43.0, Curry's Sermons 1.6, [total] 3.2.6. Ledger D 167.
---. Mr. Sleidhorn (sugarBaker), Dr. Six Sticks Wax 3.0.; Books bot at Vendue or
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Auction, 8.3. Ledger D 287. Could be 1747/8. ??
15 Jan, Thursday. Mr. Joseph Paxton, Dr. Cr. by Cash £20.7.6. Ledger D 272. Could be 1746.??
---. Mr. Jn. Read (Christeen) Dr. Pastbd. 38.6. Ledger D 257.
17 Jan, Saturday. Samuel Holland, Dr. Cash 20.0. Ledger D 282.
---. Mr. Sam'l McCall, Dr. Almks. 10d. Ledger D 346.
---. Mr. Antony Nichols, Dr. Fam. Dialogues, 1.0. Ledger D 125.
---. Stephen Potts, Dr. Pastbd. 27 lb. Ledger D 302.
20 Jan, Tuesday. Dr. Th[omas] Bond, Dr. Papr. 3.0. Ledger D 100.
---. Mr. Sam'l Coates, Dr. bl. Bond 4d. Ledger D 128.
---. Mr. James Macky, Dr. Pap'r 1/6. Ledger D 33.
22 Jan, Thursday. Wm. Bradford, Dr. To 2 Doz. Almanacks, 7.0. Vol. 66, p. 78; Acct w/BF, PHi.
23 Jan, Friday. Mr. Robert Grace, Dr. Papr. & Wax 2.0. Ledger D 383.
---. James Humphrys, Brewer, Dr. Paper, 1.6. Ledger D 371.
---. Christ'n Saur, Dr. 13 R[eams]. Demy Print at 14.0, 9.2.0. Ledger D 120.
26 Jan, Monday. Mr. Craddock (Taylor), Dr. Cash 10.16. Ledger D 344.
---. Then Rec'd of Mr. Franklin the Sum of Twenty pounds on Acct., Per Samuel Road, L20.0.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 39.
---. Mr. Robert Grace, Dr. <Cash pd. for Shingles 202.0.; Cash p'd Carp'rs Bill £17.12.; p'd Shooting Shingles 109.0. & W' ring for Stuff as per his Acct.> Repairs agreed on 37.10.0. Ledger D 383. Cf.5 Jan.
---. Mr. Sam'l Read, baker, Dr. Cash £20. Ledger D 69.
---. Joseph Wharton, Dr. for Palaret's Arts & Sciences, 6.6. Ledger D 378.
27 Jan, Tuesday. Mr. Joseph Paxton, Dr. Sundry Books & Pasteb'd, 11.10.4. Ledger D 272. Could be 1746.??

1 Feb, Sunday. Margaret Pascal, Dr. (See Benj. Paschal). Rudiments 3.0. Ledger D 153.
3 Feb, Tuesday. Mr. Andrew Farrel, Dr. Paper 2 Quire. Ledger D 361.
---. Mr. James Read, Esq., Dr. Pap'r, 6.0. Ledger D 159.
5 Feb, Thursday. Isaac Griffitts, Dr. Arbn. Bonds, 8d. Total (with prior entry), 2.2. Ledger D 35.
6 Feb, Friday. Mr. Sam'l McCall, Dr. Two Bonds 8d. Ledger D 346.
---. Mrs. Middleton, Dr. Copy Book 1.0. Ledger D 178.
---. Peter Turner, Dr. Bond blank 4d. Ledger D 128.
8 Feb, Sunday. Lewis Evans, Dr. Paper, 9d. Ledger D 241. Could be 1746.??
---. James Humphrys, Brewer, Dr. 2 Bills Sale 6d. Ledger D 371.
---. Andrew Read, Esq., Dr. Alm’ks 14.0. Ledger D 150.
11 Feb, Wednesday. Mr. Joseph Paxton, Dr. by 6 Eng. Bibles 12mo. Ledger D 272. Could be 1746.??
13 Feb, Friday. Dr. Th[omas] Bond, Dr. Paper, 5.0. Ledger D 100.
---. Samuel Holland, Dr. Cash 10.0. Ledger D 282.
---. Mr. Antony Nichols, Dr. Lond. Vocab. 3.0. Ledger D 125.
---. Mr. Tuit (Trenton), Dr. Boyers Fr. Gram'r, 7.0. Receiv’d the above in full, BF. Ledger D 237. Could be 1746.
14 Feb, Saturday. Received From Mr. BF Six Pounds to Account Per Thos. Smith, L6.0.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 39.
---. Mr. Joseph Paxton, Dr. Pencils & Wafers 1.0. Ledger D 272. Could be 1746.??
22 Feb, Sunday. Received of BF Six Pounds Per me, Mary Middleton, L6.0.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 39.
23 Feb, Monday. Mr. Robert Grace, Dr. Quils &c 1.6. Ledger D 383.
---. George Harris, Dr. Paid Porters, 1.0. Ledger D 163.
---. Capt. Magee, Paid Cash £15.1. Ledger D 192. Despite the wording, the entry seems to record a debt, for the total (with the 6 Dec 1746 entry for £30) is £45.1.

*2 March, Monday. BD Dr to William Allen. From Sugar house. A heap[?] double, 10.6; 5 single 2.15.6. Vol 66, p. 69a.
3 March, Tuesday. Mr. Sam'l McCall, Dr. Almks. 10d. Ledger D 346.
7 March, Saturday. Mr. Robert Grace, Dr. P’d his County Tax 6.8. Ledger D 383.
---. Capt. Ch. Hargrave, Dr. Copy Book 10d. Ledger D 199.
---. Samuel Holland, Dr. Cash 7.6. Ledger D 282.
---. Mr. Timothy Matlock, Dr. Binding Old Ledger 8.0., Alm'ks 1.9., [total] 9.9. Ledger D 210.
---. Mr. Hugh Meredith, Dr. Paid him for going Express to York, and Horse Hire, £5. Ledger D 318.
10 March, Tuesday. Receiv'd of Benja. Franklin Six Pounds Five Shillings for Riding Post One Month L3.15 & the Remainder for Horse hire being in full to this Day Per me, Stephen Gapen, L6.5.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 40.
11 March, Wednesday. Benger, Elliot, Esq. Dr. Cash paid Tho. Mackey per his Order, 111.0.0. Ledger D 134.
---. Receiv’d of BF Twenty Shillings & his Assumption to pay Two Pounds Fifteen Shillings to Charles Stow for me, Per me, John Murphy, L3.15.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 40.
---. Mr. Robert Grace, Dr. Tea 29.0., Pastebd 8d. Ledger D 383.
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---. Samuel Holland, Dr. Cash 7.6. Ledger D 282.
---. Mrs. Middleton, Dr. Copy Book, 10d. Ledger D 178.
---. Mrs. Timothy, Dr. 6 Conf’ns [Miller 371?], 6 Refl’ns [Reflections on Courtship and Marriage, Miller 408], 6 Health a Poem [Miller 367], a Doz. Watt's Psalms [Miller 227?], 2 Doz. Scotch Psalms [Miller 412] per Mr. Grung. 4.13.0. Ledger D 184.

19 March, Thursday. Mr. Joseph Paxton, Dr. Sundry Books 126.9.=6.6.9. Ledger D 272.
20 March, Friday. Receiv’d of BF Five Pounds Per me, Mary Middleton, L5.0.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 40.
---. Receiv’d of Mr. BF Forty Two Pounds Ten Shillings to Account by me, David Hall, L42.10.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 41.
21 March, Saturday. Samuel Holland, Dr. Cash 35.0. Ledger D 282.
---. Wm. Montgomery, Cr. by Cash, 14.0. Ledger D 242.
---. Mr. Hugh Meredith, Dr. Cash 5.0. Ledger D 318.
---. Mr. William Read, Dr. Law Book & Single Laws [Miller 288, plus laws since), 1.17.6. Ledger D 87.
27 March, Friday. Received of BF Five Pounds on Acct. and Per Order of Mr. Robert Grace, rec’d Per me, John Hackett, L5.0.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 41.
---. Receiv’d of BF, Sixteen Shillings and Sixpence, being for 198 Letters brought Per Capt. Redmond, Per me, [Hillis?] [Wrinnsriune?] L0.16.6. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 41.
---. Receiv’d of BF the Sum of Thirty Pounds on Acct. Per me, Daniel [Beacingrace?], L30.0.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 41.
---. Received of Mr. BF Sixteen Pounds Four Shillings to Account by me, D. Hall, L16.4.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 42.
---. Receiv’d of Benja. Franklin Fifty Shillings in full for Riding Post to New York One of the Fortnight Stages Per me, Stephen Gapen, L2.10.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 42.
---. Mr. Joseph Paxton, Dr. Cr. by Cash 10.8.9. Ledger D 272.
---. Mr. Wm. Ramsey, Cr. by Cash, 2.13.6.; Cr. by Linnen £2.2.6.; by Butt’r £3.18; Dr. Qto. Bible 20.0., Pasteb’d, 8.0. Ledger D 283.
28 March, Saturday. Mr. Robert Grace, Dr. P’d Mason [Amount scratch’d out.] Ledger D 383.
---. William Parks, Printer, Dr. Cr. by 8 Pistoles, £10.16.0. Ledger D 386, 400.
30 March, Monday. Receiv’d of Benja. Franklin Six Pounds Nine Shillings and Fourpence in full for Seven Dozen & half of Skins, and all Acct. for my Master Abraham Coats, Per me, Saml. Oryns [or Bryns?]. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 42.
March [no day]. See 11 May, BF, receipt for 20s for newspapers furnished Richard Harrison to 9 March “last.” Docketed on back, an additional 1.10.0 to March 1747. Cf. 9 March 1741. Phi, Logan Papers, v.21,p.2.

1 April, Wednesday. Dr. Th[omas] Bond, Dr. Paper, 1.8. Ledger D 100.
---. Mr. Wm. Bradford, Dr. For a Spelling Book [Miller 415?], 2.6. Vol. 66, p. 72; also APS Hays 3:558. Same as 9 April.
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---. Capt. Dan Cheston, Dr. Letter 3.4. Ledger D 196.
---. Mr. Jonas Green, Dr. Paper 49 Ream at 12/., 29.8.0.; Paper 11 Reams at 10.0., L5.10.; 2 Chests at 7, 14.0. [total] 6.4.0.; Coopering & Portering, 3.0. Ledger D 207.
---. Samuel Holland, Dr. Cash, 7.6. Ledger D 282.
---. Mrs. <Jakel> Jekyll, Dr. Paper, 1.8. Ledger D 145.
---. Mr. Isaac Jones, Dr. Cash, £10. Ledger D 84. "Transferred to Ledger E, folio 68.
---. Dr. Wm. Shippen, Dr. 2 Doz. Watts's Preservatives [Miller 365], 16.0. Ledger D 37. Transfer’d to Ledger E.

2 April, Thursday. BF to John Franklin: "send ... single Refin'd Loaf Sugar as Sixty Pounds Old Tenor will purchase." P 3:119.

3 April, Friday. Rec’d of Mr. Franklin ten pounds on Acct. Per Joseph [or Jones &?] Beddome, L10.0.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 42.

4 April, Saturday. Receiv’d of BF Three Pounds Seven Shillings, which (with one Years Gazette) is in full for the Rent of his Lot between Arch Street and Apple-tree Alley to <this Day> the 25th of March last, Per me Christopher Thompson, L3.7.0, 10.0., [total] 3.17.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 43.


6 April, Monday. Receiv’d of BF The Sum of Ten Pounds Per me, Mary Middleton, L10.0.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 43.

---. Rec’d Phila. Mr. BF Four Pounds and Sixteen Shillings in full, Per John Wister, L4.16.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 43.


10 April, Friday. Library Company, Dr. For advt. General Meeting, 5.0. Ledger D 252.

11 April, Saturday. Capt. Dowers & Mrs., Dr. Pap. 10d. Ledger D 135.
---. Mr. Robert Grace, Dr. Ink [Powder]. 2.8. Ledger D 383.


14 April, Tuesday. Mr. Jn. Chapman, Dr. Dictionary Eng. & Lat. 20.0. =1.0.0. Ledger D 275.

---. Mr. Chr. Marshal, Dr. Sp. Book [Miller 415?] per Son 2.6. Ledger D 201.
---. Mr. Geo. Oakil, Dr. Paper 12.0. Ledger D 262.
---. William Smith, Tanner, Dr. Papr., 4.0. Ledger D 136.
---. Messrs. Stydman & Robinson, Dr. Blank 4d. Ledger D 143.


---. Samuel Holland, Dr. Cash 15.0. Ledger D 282.
---. Newtown Mercury (Dan‘l), Dr. Letters, 4.4. Ledger D 223.
21 April, Tuesday. Mr. Robert Grace, Dr. Cash per Linc'n L3. Dr. D. Stevens's News 12.1. Ledger D 383.
22 April, Wednesday. Dr. Phineas Bond, Dr. Paper 5.0. Ledger D 229.
---. Dr. Th[omas] Bond, Dr. Paper, 5.0. Ledger D 100.
---. Mr. Robert Grace, Dr. Tea 17.6. Ledger D 383.
24 April, Friday. Mr. Sam'l McCall, Dr. Paid Cash £25. Ledger D 346.
27 April, Monday. Lewis Evans, Dr. Parchment 17.6. Ledger D 241.
28 April, Tuesday. Receiv'd of Mr. BF eight pounds eight shillings in full for six R[ea?]m. paper sold this day and all demands, John Swift, L8.8.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 44.
29 April, Wednesday. Mr. Robert Grace, Dr. Cash p'd his Poor Tax 10.0. Ledger D 383.
---. Samuel Holland, Dr. Cash pd his Poor Tax, 9.0. Ledger D 282.
---. Mr. Chr. Marshal, Dr. Paper 8.0. Ledger D 201.
30 April, Thursday. Mr. Wm. Maugridge, Dr. Cash 60/ Lettrs 4d, Frankincence & Myrrhe 16.0, 3.16.4., Paid him 24s 5½ for Keeping & Shoeing Jack, 43/. Ledger D 52.
---. Mrs. Sarah Read (Neighb'r.), Dr. Cash 15/. Ledger D 37.
---. Sarah Read (Mother), Dr. Cash 10.0. Ledger D 59.

1 May, Friday. Capt. Dan Cheston, Dr. Letter 3.4. Ledger D 196.
---. Isaac Griffitts, Dr. Qr Bills Lading 6/. Ledger D 35.
---. Gustavus Hesselius, Dr. Lampblack 2.6. Ledger D 50.
---. Newtown Mercury (Dan'l), Dr. Letters, 14.7. Ledger D 223.
---. Anthony Newhouse, Dr. Cash 40.0. Ledger D 389.
---. Broth'r Jn. Read, Dr. 2 Doz. Rebels [Miller 432], 9.0., Doz. Purg'y Serm's. 3.0. Ledger D 256. Might be 4 May.??
---. Henry Rigby, Dr. Binding Com. Pray'r. 2.0. Ledger D 215.
---. Christ'n Saur, Dr. Paper D'd. by A. Newhouse, 10.9.0. Ledger D 120.
2 May, Saturday. Received of BF Twenty Pounds on Account Per me, Daniel Beacingrace?, L20.0.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 44.
4 May, Monday. Received from Mr. BF Ten Pounds One Shilling, to Account Per Thos. Smith, L10.1.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 44.
---. Library Company, Dr. For 70 Receipts, Treasurer [Miller A201], 5.0. Total 10.18.0. The above all paid. Ledger D 252.
5 May, Tuesday. Rec'd of Mr. BF thirteen pounds three Shillings & 0.1 in part of actt. for my Master Thos. Campbell, Per Thos. Edwards, L13.3.1. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 44.
7 May, Thursday. Nathaniel Holland, Dr. Cash 20.0. Ledger D 233.
---. Jn. Normandy, Dr. 2 Doz. Rebels [Miller 432], 9.0.; 2 Doz. Almanacks from 4to Alphabet, 7.0. Query the two last Articles if not to the Father. Ledger D 326. Only the first item is dated; the latter is in red ink.
11 May, Monday. Lewis Evans, Dr. Parchm't, 7.0. Ledger D 241.
---. Mr. Andrew Farrel, Dr. 2 Wills & Powers 8d, Bond 4d, 1.0. Ledger D 361.
---. Nathaniel Holland, Dr. Cash 15.0. Ledger D 233.
14 May, Thursday. Honorable George Thomas, Esq., Dr. For Advertising all to bring in
Accts. 5.0. Ledger D 189. This is the last item in the account with Gov. Thomas,
marked “Settled” at end.
18 May, Monday. Thomas Wilcox, Dr. Rags 954 lb. Ledger D 391.
19 May, Tuesday. Receiv'd of B. Franklin Four Pounds on Acct. Per me, Mary
Middleton, L4.0.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 45.
20 May, Wednesday. Josh'a Blanchard, Boston, Sent him 2 Doz. Confess'ns [Miller
371], 3 Doz. Scotch Psalms [Miller 412], 15 Art of pres'g health [Miller 367] &
return'd 1 Doz. Erskines's Sermons [Miller B38?]. Ledger D 189.
---. Mr. Geo. Cunningham, barber, Dr. Paper 2.6. Ledger D 151.
---. Mr. Andrew Farrel, Dr. 2 Powers 8d. Ledger D 361.
---. Mr. Fleet, Boston, Cr. 3 Pieces of 8, £1.2.6. Ledger D 205.
---. Mr. Robert Grace, Dr. Tea 8.6.; Cash pd. for Sugar 9.4.; Cash per Midd. 3.0. Ledger
D 383.
---. Capt. Ch. Hargrave, Dr. Paper 2.6.; Sundries from 4to Alphabet, 8.0. Ledger D 199.
No date.??
---. Will'm Satterwaite, Dr. Rebels [Miller 432] & Purga'y 10/ Cash £8.; Cash before,
21 May, Thursday. Mr. Jn. Potts, Dr. Lillys Gram. 4.0., Wafers 1.4., [total] 5.4. Ledger D
337.
---. Henry Rigby, Dr. Bible 6.7. Ledger D 215.
---. Willam Satterwaite, Dr. Watt's Serm's [Miller 365?], 11.0. Ledger D 147.
22 May, Friday. Receiv'd of BF Thirty Shillings and 0.4-1/2in full for Riding Post Per me,
Stephen Gapen, L1.10.4-1/2. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 45.
---. Mr. Jonas Green, Dr. Bottle Varnish 5.0. Ledger D 207.
---. James Humphrys, Brewer, Dr., Ink Powder, 1.4. Ledger D 371.
---. Mr. James Read, Dr. Clark's Lat. Gram. 4.0. Ledger D 159.
23 May, Saturday. Mr. Fleet, Boston, Dr. Brown Paper, 30.0. Ledger D 205.
---. Jacob Hage, Dr. Cash 40.0. Ledger D 315.
---. Receiv'd of BF Ten Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Eight pence in full for 100lb.
---. Anthony Newhouse, Dr. Sp. Book [Miller 415?], 2.6.; Rags 1638 lb., L10.4.9. Ledger
D 389.
---. Sarah Read (Mother), Cr. by Cash 10.0. Ledger D 59.
---. Mr. Thos. Godfrey, Dr. 2 Bondes, 8d; Sundries from 4to Alphabet, 18.8. Ledger D 62
(no date by second entry).
---. Gustavus Hesselius, Dr. Paper, 2.6. Ledger D 50.
---. Mr. Rob't Montgomery, Alanstown, Dr. Pastb'd & Wafer 13.0. Ledger D 160.
---. BF billed Hugh Roberts for printing two Reams Tobacco Paper, 1.0.0. Cf. 21 March
1757. Charles Morton Smith Mss., PHi.
---. Conrad Shutz, Dr. Rags 1579 lb. at 1½, 9.17.4½; Cash paid Waggoner, 1.10.0;
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---. Thomas Wilcox, Per Con[tr]a Cr. Pastedb. 138 lb. at 1.2., 7.9.0. Ledger D 392.
May. Conrad Shutz, Contra, Cr. 2 Reams large Brown 9.6., 19.0.; 8 Reams Round Paper, 4.0.0.; 90 Reams small Print 7.6., 33.15.0.; 1 Ream coarse Print, 6.0.; 1 Ream writing, 12.0. Ledger D 376.

1 June, Monday. Mr. William Branson, Dr. Bond & judgmt 6d. Ledger D 281.
---. Mr. Andrew Farrel, Dr. Ink 1.4. Ledger D 361.
---. Received Ten Pounds of Mr. BF to Account by me, D. Hall, L10.0.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 47.
---. Mr. Antony Nichols, Dr. Ovid Metam. 16.1. Ledger D 125.
2 June, Tuesday. Mr. Jno. Barge, Dr. Sermon [Miller 365?] & Rebels [Miller 432]. 10.0. Ledger D 68.
---. Dr. Th[omas] Bond, Dr. Paper, 5.0. Ledger D 100.
---. Mr. Wm. Bradford, Dr. For 2 quire Royal Paper & 2 Sheets, 4.2. Vol. 66, p. 72; APS Hays 3:558. Ledger D 331.
---. Henry Elwes, Capt., Dr. Paper, 6.0. Ledger D 144.
---. Mr. Robert Grace, Dr. Cash p’d Jos. Warder Ground Rent for back Lot 40.0.; The same share pd Yearly ever since my Possession.; Paper 2.6., Watt’s Serm. [Miller 365] 10.0. Ledger D 383.
---. Mr. Jonas Green, Dr. Lampblack 5.0. Ledger D 207.
---. Jacob Hage, Dr. 25 lb. Glue, 25.0. Ledger D 315.
---. Anthony Newhouse, Dr. Rags 1414 lb. L8.16.9., more 301 lb. 37.7-1/2, 10.14.7-1/2. Ledger D 389.
---. Mr. Parks (Printer), Dr. For Rags per Justice & Griffin, 9767 lb. Gross, D[elivere]d for Tare of 10 Hogshd. 1000, [Total] 8767 lb. at 1½d, 54.15.1/2.; For Cash paid for Cask, Cooperage & Packing, 2.13.0.; For 25lb. Glue at 1.0., 1.5.0. Ledger D 366. Also [mainly the same account]: Dr. Rags Per Ol. Griffin 5821 Gross Tare of 9h[ogs]h[ea]ds, 54.15.10.; Rags Per Ralph Justice 3946lb. Gross Tare of 10? hhds; Cash pd. for Cash 25.0., Packing & Cooper 28.0., 2.13.0.; Glue 25lbs. at 1.0., 25.0., 1.5.0. Cr. by Bill Ex[ch]a[nge] for £20 Ster. at 182½ Ex[ch]a[nge] makes £36.10.; Cr. By a Bill for 25£ Sterl. on Guidart & Sons at 180 P[er] C[ent], 45.0.0. Ledger D 386, 400 (credit items only; cf. 10 Sept).
---. Stephen Potts, Dr. Pastbd. 9&3/4 lb. at 10d, 8.1. Ledger D 302.
---. Received from Mr. BF Four Pounds to Acct. by Thos. Smith[e], L4.0.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 46.
---. John Taylor of [place not given] Cr. Cash per Thos. Dunn 50.0. Ledger D 170.
---. Thomas Wilcox, Per Con[tr]a Cr. Press Paper 65 lb. at 1.2., 3.10.5. Ledger D 392.
4 June, Thursday. Received of Benja. Franklin Thirty Pounds on Acct. Per me, Anthony Newhouse, L30.0.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 46.
5 June, Friday. Receiv'd of Benja. Franklin Twenty-three Pounds Seven Shillings and Sixpence in full for 70 Ream of brown Paper, & 27 Ream & 8 Quire Printing Paper bought at Muris's Vendue, being of the Estate of Said Muris, in full Per Jacob Levering, Wm. Levering, L23.7.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 46.
---. Receiv'd of BF Forty Shillings being in full for Quitrent due in April last, on Mr. Grace's Lot in <Market Street> Pewter Platter Alley, Per me, Joseph Warden. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 47.
6 June, Thursday. Benj. Franklin, Esq., Dr. to Charles Moore. To a hat for Your Cousin, 2.0.0.; Credit By a hat Return'd, 1.15.0. Vol. 66, p. 71a. Cr. by his Acct to June 6, 1747. Ledger D 156.
21 June, Tuesday. Mr. Alex. Annand, Dr. Accid'ces, 2.0. Ledger D 108. Ledger D 108.
---. Anthony Newhouse, Dr. Rags 491 lb. 61.4-1/2. Ledger D 389.
---. Mr. William Strahan, (London), Dr. By Sundr ies Per Ouchterlong, 45.17.3. Ledger D 370. Cf. 1747.
27 June, Saturday. Mr. Benj. Franklyn, Dr. to Peter Turner. Twenty Ream of paper, 19.0.0. Vol. 66, p. 75.
29 June, Monday. Mr. Craddock (Taylor), Dr. Cash £15. Ledger D 344.
---. Mr. Robert Grace, Dr. Spectators, Papr. & c. 58.6. Ledger D 383.
---. Rec'd of Mr. BF ten pounds one Shilling & one pennce in full For my Father Robt. Moore, Per William Moore, L10.1.1. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 47. [Same as]: Mr. Rob't More, Taylor, Paid Cash in full 10.1.1. Ledger D 111.
---. Mr. Conrad Weiser, Dr. Wax, 1.0. Ledger D 93.
---. Thomas Wilcox, Per Con[tr]a Cr. Papers 158 lb. at 1.1.; Papers 131 lb. Ledger D 392.
30 June, Tuesday. Rec'd of B. Franklin Fifteen Pounds on Account Per me, Wm. Craddocke, L15.0.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 47.
---. Samuel Holland, Dr. Cash 7.6. Ledger D 282.
---. Mrs. <Jakel> Jekyll, Dr. Accid'ce per Son 2.0. Ledger D 145.
---. Mr. Jn. Jones (Shoemaker), Dr. Two Ship Letters 8d. Ledger D 254.
---. Mr. Geo. Oakil, Dr. Paper 7.6. Ledger D 262.
---. Mr. William Read, Dr. Salmon & Sundry Books, 4.13.0. Cr. by Cash 2.10.6. Ledger D 87. Transfer'd to Leidger E.
---. Rece'd of Mr. BF Nineteen pounds in full for Twenty Ream Writing paper, Peter
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Turner, L19.0.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 48. Also BF Dr. to Peter Turner. One Role of Parchment, 8.10.0. Vol. 66, p. 75.


10 July, Friday. Mr. Elias Burdenot, Dr. Cash 120.0. Ledger D 171.

---. Evan Morgan, cor[o]ner, Dr. Paper, 3.0. Ledger D 168.


14 July, Tuesday. William Coleman, Dr. Little[on]s Dict/ionary, 5.0. Ledger D 123.

---. Gustavus Hesselius, Dr. Paper, 1.8. Ledger D 50.

---. Mr. Antony Nichols, Dr. Bible 6.6. Ledger D 125.

17 July, Friday. Mr. Jn’o Barge, Dr. Paper, 2.6. Ledger D 68.

---. Benger, Elliot, Esq. Dr. Cash pd. Mes’r Strettle on his Acct. £20 Sterl’g Excha. at 185 P[er] Cent. [total] 37.0.0; Cash pd. per Order to Gilb’r Dakeyn on Acct. Tho. Macky, 1.7.1. Ledger D 134.

---. Nathaniel Holland, Dr. Cash 15.0. Ledger D 233.

---. Mr. James Macky, Dr. Medn. Divine & Serms. 16/. Ledger D 33.

---. Mr. Wm. Parsons, Parchmt. 4.6. Ledger D 188.

---. Stephen Potts, Dr. Pastbd 17½ lb. Ledger D 302.

---. Thomas Wilcox, Dr. Rags 912 lb. Ledger D 391.


---. Mr. Wm. Parsons, Cr. by Doublon, 5.8.0. Ledger D 188.


---. Capt. Dan Cheston, Dr. Postage 4d. Ledger D 196.

---. Mr. Wm. Croswait, Dr. Com. Prayr. 7/6. Ledger D 49. Carried to Ledger E, fo. 36.

---. Mr. Andrew Farrel, Dr. Judgmt. Bonds 6d. Ledger D 361.

---. Mr. Robert Grace, Dr. Cash p’d per Ordr. to Mitch. Shrouds L6 & to Lod? Hans L12, 18.0.0. Ledger D 383.

---. Matthias Harris, Esq., Cr. by Cash on Acct. of Bill Exch. 24.3.10½, 29.1.4&1/4.; Dr. Bind’g Tindals Conti’n, Fol. 15.0. Ledger D 285.

---. James Humphrys, Brewer, Dr., Com. Pra. 6.0. Ledger D 371.

---. PA Province or Assembly, Dr. Paper, Quils & Ink to Com’tee, 4.0. Ledger D 247.


---. Paid Peter Turner, Cash L20.5.0. Ledger D 128; Also Reced July 25’th: 1747 of Mr. BF Twenty pounds five shillings on Account. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 49; Vol. 66, p. 75.

27 July, Monday. Mr. Andrew Farrel, Dr. Bond & Power 8d. Ledger D 361.
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---. Samuel Holland, Dr. Cash 7.6. Ledger D 282.
---. Capt. Thos. Lloyd, Cr. by Freight of Limes & Sugar L2.5. Ledger D 195.
   Quire if Watts's Serm. should not have been Chargd. to Jn. Davis for which Jn. (Sep. 24, 1747). Paid. Ledger D 326.
31 July, Friday. Mr. Wm. Bradford, Dr. For 1 Ream Royal, 1.10.0. Vol. 66, p. 72; Ledger D 331; APS Hays 3:558.
---. Mr. Robert Grace, Dr. Sugar 15.0.; Ink P. 1.4., Cr[own] Soap 1.0. Ledger D 383.
---. Mr. Jonas Green, Dr. Bottle Varnish 5.6. Ledger D 207.
---. Conrad Shutz, Dr. Rags 935 lb. 5.16.10½. [Total of account] 110.17.2.; Cash 30£.
   Contra. Cr. 13 Ream at 7.6., 4.17.6; 15 Ream Writing at 12.0., 9.0.0.; 7 Ream Cartridge 25.0., 8.15.0.; 313 lb Pasteboard, 7.10.0. Contra, Cr. [Total] 140.2.3., [less] 110.17.2. [Ballance] £295.1. The above & opposite Accts pick'd out of Daybook. If on Posting any Mistake appears, it is to be rectify'd. Ledger D 375-76. Also Receiv'd of BF Thirty Pounds, which is more than was due to me by our Settlement this Day, the Ballance to be carried to our next Account, Per me, Conrad Schutz, L30.0.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 49.
1 Aug, Saturday. Jacob Hage, Dr. Cash 40.0. Cr. by Paper £32.15. Ledger D 315.
---. Christ'n Saur, Dr. Paper, 41 Reams at 9.6, 19.9.6. Ledger D 120.
5 Aug, Wednesday. Mr. James Bingham, Jun., Dr. For Tickets in the Boston Lottery, 15.15.0.; “The three Articles next above should be charged to Jn. Bingham, jun'r.” Ledger D 94. Carried to Leidger E.
---. Mr. Wm. Bradford, Dr. For 2 Reams Royal, 3.0.0.; For 1 Ream Royal, 1.10.0. Vol. 66, p. 72; Ledger D 331; APS Hays 3:558.
---. Capt. Dan Cheston, Dr. Corderly & Clarks Introd[uction], 8.0. Ledger D 196.
---. Abel James, Dr. Pastb'd, 37.9 = 1.17.9. Ledger D 247.
---. Mrs. Sarah Read (Neighb'r.), Dr. 1 Barrel Sugar, 2.1.1. tare 20 at 55/, Part of another Barrel. [no amount given.] Ledger D 37.
---. Estate of Thomas Redman, debtor to BF. APS, 2p. Hays. BFPAPERS file 27471.
---. John Phillips of Barbadoes Dr. For Cash pd. Freight to Cap. Loyd 45.0, 2.5.0.; Porterage, 1.8.; Cash pd Cap. Vance, Freight 50.0, Porterg. 1.8, 2.11.8.; Printing his Almk. for 1748. Ledger D 393.
7 Aug, Friday. Mr. Benj. Franklyn, Dr. to Peter Turner. One Clark's Introduction, 7.0. Vol. 66, p. 75.
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---. Anthony Newhouse, Dr. Rags 1861lb. L11.6.4-1/2. Ledger D 389.
---. Received Ten Pounds of Mr. BF to account by Thos. Smith, L10.0.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 50.
11 Aug, Tuesday. Mr. Plunket Fleeson, Dr. Paper & Bill Sale 2.9. Ledger D 153.
---. Anthony Newhouse, Dr. Cash 40.0. Per Con[tra] Cr. 32 Ream Demy fine Print. Ledger D 389-90.
13 Aug., Thursday. Wm. Bradford, Dr. For advertising a Colledge in NJersey (long), 1.0.0. Vol. 66, p. 72; APS Hays 3:558.
14 Aug, Friday. Mr. Robert Grace, Dr. Sundrys 35.3. Ledger D 383.
---. Mr. Jonas Green, Dr. Per Ball Hooks 2.6. Ledger D 207.
---. PA Province or Assembly, Dr. Paper for Com'tee, 5.0.; Cash advanced to J. Murphy Expr's., 5. 8.0.; Cash for an Express to New York, 5.0.0.; Cash for Express to Chester, 15.0. Ledger D 247.
15 Aug, Saturday. Nathaniel Holland, Dr. Pastb’d. 4-1/4 lb. Ledger D 233.
---. Mr. Jn. Leacock, Dr. Sundry Acct. Books & Alpha’t, 3.13.6.; Clarendon’s History 6 Vols., 3.0.0.; Cr. by Lady’s Library ret’d, 1.5.0. Ledger D 129.
---. Thomas Maul, Joyner, Dr. For the Gazette to this day. [No amount]. Ledger D 70.
16 Aug, Sunday. Mr. Andrew Farrel, Dr. Paper 1.8. Ledger D 361.
---. Jacob Hage, Dr. Cash, 27.15.0. Ledger D 315.
---. Messrs. Stydman & Robinson, Dr. Quire Book, 2.0. Ledger D 143.
20 Aug, Thursday. Received of Benja. Franklin Twenty seven Pounds <Fifteen> Ten Shillings, which with Five Pounds Five Shillings rec’d before is in full to this Day Per me, Jacob Hagy [looks like "Sorgis"], L32.15.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 50.
21 Aug, Friday. Dr. Phineas Bond, Dr. Paper 6.0. Ledger D 229.
---. Henry Elwes, Capt., Dr., Paper 6 Ream at 35.0., 10.10.0. Ledger D 144.
---. Mr. Andrew Farrel, Dr. 2 Powers 8d. Ledger D 361.
---. Judah Foulik, Dr. Blank Book 15.0. Ledger D 137.
---. Receiv’d of BF Eighteen Shillings & 0.3-1/2 in full, for sundry jobs, as Per Acct. Isaac Lincon, L0.18.3½. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 51.
---. Rec’d of BF thirteen Pounds Seven Shilling upon Ballence of Accots. in full, Per John Stamper [or Stumper?], ?? L13.7.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 51.
---. Mr. Jonas Green, Dr. Bottle Varnish 5.6. Ledger D 207.
---. Gustavus Hesselius, Dr. Paper &c, 4.6. Ledger D 50.
---. Nathaniel Holland, Dr. Pastb’d, 7 lb. & Bind’g. Ledger D 233.
---. Samuel Holland, Dr. Cash 7.6. Ledger D 282.
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---. Mr. Jn. Inglis, Dr. Books (of Miss Salleys) 8.0. Ledger D 273.
---. Mr. Antony Nichols, Dr. Cop’r. Co. Book & Lett’r inter Theople & Eugen’o [Miller 422], 4.0. Ledger D 125.
---. Broth’r Jn. Read, Dr. Sundries 9.6. Ledger D 256.
---. Joseph Wharton, Dr. Lettrs between Eugenio [Miller 422] &c, 3.0. Ledger D 378.
---. Pennsylvania Assembly paid BF, for the Statues at Large, send for by Order, and for the Use of the House, 57.15.0, Votes 3152.
---. Pennsylvania Assembly paid BF, per Order, 136.17.9, Votes 3153.
---. Pennsylvania Assembly paid John Kinsey, for BF, per Order, 12.11.4, Votes 3154.
---. Mr. Wm. Ramsey, Dr. Sundry Books, 11.4.1½; Cr. by Cash £5.8. Ledger D 283.

2 Sept, Wednesday. Nathaniel Holland, Dr. Cash 40.0. Ledger D 233.
4 Sept, Friday. Mr. Wm. Bradford, Dr. For 1 Ream Demi, 18.0. Vol. 66, p. 72; Ledger D 331; APS Hays 3:558.
5 Sept, Saturday. Nathaniel Holland, Dr. Cash 40.0. Ledger D 233.
7 Sept, Monday. Mr. Robert Grace, Dr. Cash for Tea 8.9. Ledger D 383.
---. Nathaniel Holland, Dr. Rec’d of B. Franklin Seven Pounds Nine Shillings & two Pence in full of all Accts. to this Day, Per me N. Holland, L7.9.2. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 51. Settled. Ledger D 233.
---. Anthony Newhouse, Dr. Cash 100.0. Ledger D 389.
10 Sept, Thursday. Mr. Jonas Green, Dr. Paper &c £26.6. Ledger D 207.
---. Mr. Sam’l Morris, Dr. Sund. Books 8/. Ledger D 48.
---. Mr. Parks (Printer), Dr. For a protested Bill of Exchange 25 lb Sterl’g on Messrs. Guidart & Sons, Charges 4.3., Damages 20 Per c[ent], 5.0.0. 30.4.3., at 182½ Adv. is 55.7.6.; For 60 Ream Paper, Boxes & Porteridge, 27.12.6. Ledger D 366, 386. Cf. 2 June for protested bill.
15 Sept, Tuesday. Anthony Newhouse, Dr. Cash 20.0.; Dr. Rags 824 lb. Ledger D 389.
---. Thomas Byles, pewterer, Dr. Paper 1.6. Ledger D 350.
19 Sept, Saturday. Rec’d of mr. franclan [BF] the sume of forty pound, William Blair, L40.0.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 52.
21 Sept, Monday. Dr. Thomas Bond, Dr. Paper, 5.0. Ledger D 100.
---. Stephen Potts, Dr. Pastbd. 9½ lb. Ledger D 302.
22 Sept, Tuesday. Messrs. Allen & Turner, Dr. For a Book (Miss Salleys) 2.6.; [no date] For Ball’n [balance] of Humphry Murrays Acct, 1.2.6.; [no date] For the Gazette from June 17, 1731 at 10s per An’ to June 17. being Years. Ledger D 45.
Transferred to Leger E, fol. 60.

---. Mr. Wm. Bradford, Dr. Errors Excepted, B. Franklin, [Total] 70.17.10. Note Genoa Paper not carried out?. Vol. 66, p. 72. Same as 23 Sept. FC Acct. with Wm. Bradford. APS Hays 3:558. On the back of the bill, BF noted, “This Acct has been delivered in but was never settled, Apr. 2, 1757.

---. Mr. Jn. Inglis, Dr. Pastb’d 8d <Sundries from 4to Alphabet>. 0.8. Ledger D 273.

23 Sept, Wednesday. William Bradford, Dr. Total 66.7.6, Errors Excepted 4.10.4, Total 70.7.10, Vol. 66, p. 72; APS Hays 3:558. Same as 22 Sept.

---. Mr. Wm. Maugridge, Dr. Two lb. Bark, 16/ Parchm’t 10.0, 1.6. Settled, Ledger D 52.

24 Sept, Thursday. Mr. Jn. Chapman, Dr. Cr. by Cash 20.0. Ledger D 275.

---. Matthias Harris, Esq., Dr. Lemons 7.6, Basket 8d. [total] 8.2. Ledger D 285.

---. Mr. Michael Hilligas, Dr. For a Law book [Miller 288], 1.15.0.; For Every Man his own Lawyer, 15.0.; For 2 Gazetteers at 11/, 1.2.0. Ledger D 133.

---. Jn. Hughes, Tanner of Hey, Dr. Lampblack 10.0. Ledger D 239.

---. Mr. Rob't Kelsey, C[ontr]a Cr., Cash per Job Shepherd 12.0. [Total] 27.7.6. Ledger D 314.

---. Mr. Anto'y Morris, jun., Dr. Salley's Books 10.6. Ledger D 85.

---. Anthony Newhouse, Dr. Cash L12.10, Rags 1401lb at 1-1/2, L8.15.1-1/2. Ledger D 389.

---. Mr. Conrad Weiser, Dr. Sundries, 1.3. Ledger D 93.

---. Mr. Casper Wister, Dr. East Ind. Letters [Miller 422], 1.6. Ledger D 49.

25 Sept, Friday. Mr. Robert Grace, Dr. Cash for Sh. Cloak 58.4. & Per Betty 4.3. Ledger D 383.


29 Sept, Tuesday. Received of BF the Sum of Twelve Pounds Ten Shillings on Acct. Per me, Anthony Newhouse, L12.10.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 52.

5 Oct, Monday. Mr. James Parker, Dr. 500 Almanacks.; 100 Com. Prayers.; 45 E.India Letters [Miller 422] at 1.0.; 24 Morgans Book [Miller 425] at 1.8.; Scotch Psalms [Miller 412] at 1.0; Bound, 12 Psalters at 1.4; Bound, 12 Testaments [Miller 368] at 1.0.; 30 Quire Cartridge.; 1 Law; 30 Reams Demy at 17.0; 2 Cases, 16.0. Ledger D 299. Same as 8 Oct.


---. Mr. Ch. Willing, Dr. Bills of Lading 7.10. Ledger D 140.


---. Mr. Antony Nichols, Dr. Sundry Books 13.0. Ledger D 125.

---. Mr. Joseph Paxton, Dr. Cash 3 Pistoles £4.1. [BF note:] “Settled the above Acc’t & receiv’d 16/3 in full.” Ledger D 272.

---. James Parker's Acct. of Paper: 500 Almanacks; 100 Comm. Prayers unb; 48 E.India Letters @ 1s [Miller 422]; 24 Morgans Book [Miller 425] @ 1/8; 48 Scotch Psalms @ 1s, bound; 12 Psalters @ 1/4, bound; 12 Testaments @ 1/6 bound; 30 Quire Cartridge; 1 Law; 30 Ream Demy @ 17s; 2 Cases 16s. Ledger D 299. Same as 5 Oct.
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---. Stephen Potts, Dr. Pastbd. 12 lb. Ledger D 302.
---. Mr. Ch. Willing, Dr. Bills Lading, 4.6; Sundry Books, 20.0. Ledger D 140.
10 Oct, Saturday. Mr. Jonas Green, Dr. Paper 27.10.; Cr. by Lettrs. 57 dwt. [pennyweight]. Ledger D 207.
---. Anthony Newhouse, Dr. Cash 70.0., 1/2 lb. Bark 6.0. Ledger D 389.
---. Thomas Wilcox, Dr. For 1-1/2 lb. Pastbd. short wt Role mark’d 32, 0.6-1/2. Ledger D 389.
---. Mr. Andrew Farrel, Dr. Paper 23.0. Ledger D 361.
---. Matthias Harris, Esq., Dr. Two Letters 6.8. Ledger D 285.
---. Received of Mr. BF Five Pounds to Account by D. Hall. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 52.
---. Samuel Holland, Dr. Cash 15.0. Ledger D 282.
---. Abel James, Dr. Dictionary 18.0., Salm’s Gazzetteer 11.0. [total] 1.9.0. Ledger D 247.
---. Mr. Sam'l Read, baker, Dr. Sundries 20.0. Ledger D 69.
22 Oct, Thursday. William Coleman, Dr. 3 bl[ank] Books. Ledger D 123.
---. Mr. Plunket Fleeson, Dr. Psalter 1.6. Ledger D 153.
---. Samuel Holland, Dr. Cash, 15s. Ledger D 282.
---. Mrs. Middleton, Dr. Paper per Son. [no amount given]. Ledger D 178.
---. Margaret Pascal, Dr. (See Benj. Paschal). Erasmus per Son, 4.9. Ledger D 153.
---. Mr. Wm. Ramsey, Dr. Sundries, 13.15.0.; Cr. by Butter, 103½ at; Cr. by Sundries £6.18.3; Cr. by Linnen 54.0. Ledger D 283.
---. Messrs. Stydman & Robinson, Dr. Paper, 3.0. Ledger D 143.
23 Oct, Friday. Mr. Andrew Farrel, Dr. Eight Qr. Paper Large outside thick and Two Qr. Propatria. Ledger D 361.
24 Oct, Saturday. Dr. Th[omas] Bond, Dr. Paper, 5.0. Ledger D 100.
27 Oct, Tuesday. Mr. Jno. Barge, Dr. Paper, 3.0. Account marked “Paid.” Ledger D 68.
---. and 31. Jacob Hage, Dr. Rags 1072 lb at 1½, £6.14. Cash £2.14., 8.8.0.; Cr. by Pap’r £15.17.; Dr. Cash 114.0.=5.14.0., Cash more 35.0.=1.15.0. Ledger D 315.
---. Nathaniel Holland, Dr. Paper 2.0. Ledger D 233.
---. James Humphrys, Brewer, Dr. Paper 12.0. Ledger D 371.
30 Oct, Friday. Mr. Andrew Farrel, Dr. Indentures 8d. Ledger D 361.
---. Received of Mr. BF the Sum of Thirty three pounds Twelve Shillings In full for accot. of Capt. James Hall, Per Hans Barr, L33.12.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 52.
Also: Messrs. Stydman & Robinson, Pd. per Hans Bur for Paper bought of Ja’s Hall, 33.12.0. Ledger D 143.

---. Joseph Wharton, Dr. Spelling Books, 5.0. Ledger D 378.

31 Oct, Saturday. Lewis Evans, Dr. Parchm’t 9.0. Ledger D 241.

---. Jacob Hage. See 27 Oct.

---. Mr. Rob’t Montgomery, Alanstown, Dr. Two Doz Alm’ks, 8.0. Ledger D 160.

---. Tho. Shute, Dr. Paper, 4.2. Ledger D 39.

4 Nov, Wednesday. Joseph Updike, Amwell, Dr. For Alm'ks 10.0. Ledger D 250.

6 Nov, Friday. Rev’d. Mr. Fr. Allison, Dr. Wilcox’s Serm’s. 36.0. Ledger D 234.

---. Wm. Bradford. Bill of Sale, 0.4. APS Hays 3:558; Vol. 66, p. 72; Ledger D 331

---. Joseph Burden, Dr. Almks., 4.0. Ledger D 340.


---. Nathaniel Holland, Dr. Alm’ks. & Prim’rs, 8.0. Ledger D 233.


---. Thomas Wilcox, Dr. Rags 835 lb. L5.4.4-1/2. Ledger D 391.

7 Nov, Saturday. Matthias Harris, Esq., Dr. Sundries of Silk, Velvet &c, 11.16.0. Ledger D 285.

---. Mr. Antony Wilkinson, Dr. Blank Bonds, 8d. Ledger D 98.


17 Nov, Tuesday. Rev’d. Mr. Fr. Allison, Dr. Turnbull 16.6.; Cordery 3.0. Ledger D 234.


---. Mr. William Branson, Cr. by Cash £2.12.6. Ledger D 281.

---. Mr. Fleet, Boston, Dr. [Miller 418] 500 Poor Richard [Miller 419] 200 Pocket Almanacks [Miller 418]. Ledger D 205.

---. Sister Ann Franklin, Dr. 500 Poor Richard [Miller 419], 100 Pocket Almanacks [Miller 418]. Ledger D 206.

---. Mr. Jonas Green, Dr. 1200 Poor Richard [Miller 419], 200 Pocket Almanacks [Miller 418], 2 Bott[le]s Ink. Ledger D 207.


---. Mr. Parks (Printer), Dr. For 100 Pocket Almanacks [Miller 418], 1.5.0. Ledger D 366, 386.

---. Tho. Shute, Dr. Articles betwixt Capt. & Sailors, 0.6. Ledger D 39.

---. Mrs. Timothy, Dr. 300 Poor Richard [Miller 419], 100 Pocket Almanacks [Miller 418], 10.5.15. Ledger D 184.

---. Thomas Wilcox, Dr. Rags 844lb. L5.5.5. Per Con[tr]a Cr. Cash 122lb. at 13d, 6.12.2. Ledger D 391-92.

18 [could be 10]?? Nov, Wednesday. Rec’d from Mr. BF Forty One Shillings and
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Sixpence to Acct. by Thomas Smithe, L2.1.6. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 53.


24 Nov, Tuesday. Receiv'd of Benja. Franklin Thirty Pounds on Acct. of my Father, Wm. Blair Per me, Francis Blair, L30.0.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 53.


27 Nov, Friday. Rob't Cathcart of Freehold, Dr. Britains Remembrancer [Miller 414] & Pocket Alm'k. [Miller 418], 1.7.; Cr. by Cash £1.10. Ledger D 219.

28 Nov, Saturday. Benger, Elliot, Esq. Dr. Things per Mackey, Wine & Portering, 28.1.6.; Chocolat 100 lb. at 2.3½; Bale's Dict. 5 Vol. Fol. at 3.10.0 per Vol., 7.10.0.; Barrel Loaf Sugar, 87 lb. & Cask 1.6, 5.10.3. Ledger D 134.

----. Mr. Robert Grace, Dr. Cash per Mrs. Grace 60.0. Ledger D 383.

----. Jacob Hage, Dr. Rags 838 lb. Ledger D 315.

----. Samuel Holland, Dr. Cash 15.0; Common Prayer 9.0. Ledger D 282.

1 Dec, Tuesday. Isaac Griffitts, Dr. Bills lading, 6/. Ledger D 35.

----. Mr. Hugh Meredith, Dr. 40.0. Ledger D 318.


2 Dec, Wednesday. John Cox of Trenton, Dr. Pap'r. Two Reams, 2.4.0. Ledger D 286.

----. Mr. Sam'l McCall, Dr. Bills Lading 6.0. Ledger D 346.

----. Mr. Hugh Meredith, Dr. Almks. 7.6. Ledger D 318.


----. Thomas Wilcox, Dr. Rags 1147lb. L7.4.6-1/2, Cash 5.0., 7.9.6-1/2. Ledger D 391.

12 Dec, Saturday. Mr. Isaac Decow, Sen'r, Dr. Blank Book 28.0., 1.8.0. Ledger D 325.

----. Mr. Sam'l Morris, Dr. Lampblack 2.6. Ledger D 48. Transfer'd to Ledger E.


----. Messrs. Stydman & Robinson, Dr. Paper per Baron [no amount]. Ledger D 143.

14 Dec, Monday. Samuel Holland, Dr. Cash 5.0. Ledger D 282.

----. Mr. Hugh Meredith, Dr. Cash 2.6. Ledger D 318.


----. Mr. Andrew Farrel, Dr. Stove 100.0. Ledger D 361.

----. Mr. Robert Grace, Dr. Cash pd. Godfrey 18.0.; Cr. by Stoves, Lots, 49.10.; Cr. by Barrel Loaf Sugar.; Porter'g of Sugar & Stoves & Freight of sugar 17.0. Ledger D 383.

----. Matthias Harris, Esq., Dr. Lettr. for his Neighb'r. 6. 23/4=1.3.4. Ledger D 285.

----. Mr. Hugh Meredith, Dr. Cash 3.0. Ledger D 318.

17 Dec, Thursday. Received of Mr. BF, Twenty Pounds to Acct. by Thomas Smithe, L20.0.0. Receipt Book, 1742-64, p. 54.
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25 Dec, Friday. Mr. Craddock (Taylor), Dr. 3 Com. Pra’rs, 29.0. Ledger D 344.

---. Matthias Harris, Esq., Dr. Lottery Tickets, 50.0.0. Ledger D 285.

---. Mr. Hugh Meredith, Dr. Cash 13.0. Ledger D 318.


Dec. Brother John Read, Dr. For Cash & Sundries as per Acc’t d[elivere], 28.7.7. Ledger D 309.

1747. Mr. Jno. Barge, Dr. Paid. Ledger D 68.


1747. Mr. Wm. Maugridge, Dr. Settled. Ledger D 52.

1747. Mr. Joseph Paxton, Dr. Settled the above Acct. & receiv’d 16.3 in full. Ledger D 272.


1747. Honorable George Thomas, Esq., Dr. Settled. Ledger D 189.