

American Bibliographical Notes

ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS TO 'VERMONT IMPRINTS, 1778-1820'

Another ten years have passed since corrections and additions to *Vermont Imprints* have been issued. It is time for another, since the last was only a short list that was printed in these *Proceedings* in volume 84, part 2 (1974). In fact, for convenience, that brief listing is repeated here, and inquirers are referred to the two larger emendations that were published in 1968 and 1973.

In past supplements we noted the existence of the fine collection of Vermontiana made by Gertrude R. Mallery of Bradford, Vermont. She has been joined by a number of other private collectors in Vermont. Chief among them are Calvin P. Otto of Bennington, John R. McSweeney of Richmond, and Armand Beliveau of St. George. Hall Park McCullough's collection in North Bennington has been sold off—James Wilbur's marvelous copy of *The Contrast* by Royal Tyler (once owned by George Washington and in a special, presentation binding) at last has found its way to Burlington.

Among the institutions, the Wilbur Collection at the University of Vermont has benefited greatly from the energetic interest of J. Kevin Graffagnino, its curator. It was he who reported to us so many additions or rediscoveries in the UVM holdings. The American Antiquarian Society still maintains a lively acquisitiveness for all American imprints, including those from Vermont. Over the past few years, the Vermont State Library has been disposing of original issues of Vermont newspapers after guillotining and microfilming them. Many of those newspapers have come to Worcester, but UVM has also retrieved, at a cost, issues that were transferred from Burlington to Montpelier many years ago in order to centralize the

state's collections of newspapers. Harold Rugg's huge collection of Vermontiana at the Vermont Historical Society is now largely absorbed into that institutional library, following years of work by Laura P. Abbot and Loriman S. Brigham.

So, Vermontiana still lives and even may be thought of as thriving.

Marcus A. McCorison

9 Copy at GRM is inscribed: Roger Sherman's

102 Copy at vtu-w

131 *Improved entry*: SERIOUS Thoughts on sudden Death. A Poem, occasioned by the drowning of six men by the oversetting [*sic*] of a boat in Lake Champlain, near Split Rock, about twenty miles below Crown-Point. There were eight persons in the boat when it overset, but two saved their lives by keeping to the boat. ... [21 stanzas of four line verse] [n.p.n.d. Bennington: Haswell & Russell, 1787] Broadside. 45 x 27.5 cm.

MWA* ¶ Broadside is surrounded by a mourning border and is headed by a line of six woodcuts of coffins. The verse is printed in three columns. ¶ Adv. in *Vermont Gazette*, Mar. 19, 1787.

142 Copy at vtu-w

147A [HASWELL, ANTHONY] 1756-1816

Moral Songs composed to be sung August the 16th, 1788, at the celebration of the eleventh anniversary of the Battle of Bennington. ... [n.p.n.d. Haswell & Russell, 1788] Broadside. 4to.

cthi ¶ Two songs printed in two columns: Song I. (Tune Fairfield.) Song II. (Tune Wallingsford.) Attributed to Haswell in the account of the celebration (which includes the texts of the verse) published in the Supplement to the *Vermont Gazette*, August 18, 1788.

148 Copy at GRM

153 Copy at vtu-w

159 Copy at vtu-w

175 Copy at vtu-w

191 Copy at vtu-w

213B WEBSTER, NOAH, 1758-1843

The American Spelling Boo[k] Containing An easy Standard of Pro[nunciation] Being the first p[art of a] Grammatical I[nstitute] of th[e] English La[nguage] By Noah Webster, junior, [esquire] The fifth Vermont edition. Printed at Bennington, by Anth[ony Haswell With the privilege of copy-right. 1791?] 12mo.

MH* ¶ Present are leaves A¹, defective, and A⁴, I¹, I⁴⁻⁶. These leaves were partially overprinted and were pasted together to form a cover to the MH copy of item 575, *Fables for the Female Sex* by Edward Moore.

216 Copy at vtu-w

365A VERMONT. *General Assembly, 1795*

The State of Vermont, in Account-Current with the Hon. Samuel Mattocks, Esq. as Treasurer. Continued to the 15th September, A.D. 1795. 1788 ... £84,233 10 3 The State of Vermont in Account with Ira Allen, Esq. as Treasurer of said State. ... 25th April 1787, ... £92,299 1 0 ... Isaac Tichenor, Roswell Hopkins, David Wing, Jun. Amasa Paine, Commissioners ... Windsor, October 13, 1795. [n.p.n.d. Windsor? Alden Spooner? 1795] Broad-side. Folio.

vtu-w

383A [CLARKE, SAMUEL] b.1728

The Strange and Remarkable Swansey Vision: or a Dream. The following was Dreamed above forty years ago; which exactly prophecies and foretells the dreadful Judgements and Calamities that are now come to pass in North America, in this melancholy and distressing Day. Printed at Westminster, by John Goold, Junier [sic]. M,DCC,XCVI. 8p., 12cm.

vtu-w* ¶ Relates the substance of a dream which alledgedly foretold the events of the American revolution. The dream occurred on Nov. 23, 1734, in Swansey, Mass. Gift of Margaret Owens of Cavendish.

397A1 RECORD of the Family of Mr. Sherjashub Spooner. ...
 Record of the Family of Mr. Israel Roach, Of Bennington.
 ... [n.p.n.d. Bennington: Anthony Haswell, 1796?] Broadside.
 22 x 13.5 cm.

MWA* ¶ Last date recorded is May 13, 1796. Ms. entry made
 on verso, dtd. June 10, 1797. Roach conducted an ordinary in
 Manchester, Vt., for many years.

463A VERMONT. *Laws, statutes, etc., 1796*

An Act, in addition to and alteration of, an act, entitled 'An
 act ascertaining the principles on which the List of this State shall
 be made, and directing Listers in their office and duty' passed
 March 20, 1797. . . . [n.p.n.d. Bennington? Anthony Haswell?
 1797] 2p. 35cm.

vtu-w

492A Copy at vtu-w, no. 6433

504 Copy at MWA

542A TYLER, ROYAL, 1757-1826

Convivial Song, sung at Windsor, on the evening of the
 fourth of July. Composed for the occasion—by R. Tyler. Tune—
 'Here's to our noble selves, boys.' [n.p.n.d. Windsor: Alden Spooner,
 1799] Broadside.

vtu-w ¶ A poem of 8 verses. Printed, with a change of title,
 from standing types of Spooner's *Vermont Journal*, July 16,
 1799.

543 Copy at vt. Uncut sheets bound with the *Rutland Herald*, May
 6-Oct. 28, 1799. Consists of pp. 1-98 of the laws, and the
 Table of Contents, pp. 199-202.

561A COLLIER AND STOCKWELL, *firm*. Bennington

Printing-Office, south of the Meeting-House, Bennington,
 October 1800. ... Collier and Stockwell offer Proposals, for print-
 ing, by Subscription, a weekly news-paper, under the title of The
 Ploughman: or, Green-Mountain Post-Boy. ... [n.p.n.d. Benning-
 ton: Collier and Stockwell, 1800] Broadside. 25.5 x 18cm.

MWA*

562 *Corrected imprint*: Bennington; (Vermont;) Printed by Anthony Haswell, 1800.

575 *Improved date*: The MH copy of this pamphlet is covered with several leaves from the Fifth Vermont Edition of Webster's *American Spelling Book* (Bennington, 1791?); see new item 213B. Therefore, *Fables for the Female Sex* may be dtd. as [1792?] and its number be changed to 229B.

580 Copy at vt. Uncut sheets bound with the *Rutland Herald*, March 17–July 7, 1800; Aug. 4–Nov. 10, 1800. Consists of pp. 1–112, 113–223 of the laws, and p. vii, Table of Contents.

583A VERMONT. *Governor, 1797–1807, 1808–1809 (Isaac Tichenor)*

By the Governor of the State of Vermont A Proclamation. ... Thursday, the fourth day of December next, ... a day of Public Thanksgiving, ... Middlebury, this twenty-fourth day of October, one thousand eight hundred, ... By his Excellency's command, Richard Whitney, Secretary. [n.p.n.d. Vergennes? Chipman and Fessenden? 1800] Broadside. 35.5 x 32cm.

vtu-w

642A HARRIOT: or the Vicar's Tale. [verse] ... First Bennington edition. Printed by Collier & Stockwell. 1802. 33p., front. 12.5cm.

MWA* ¶ Fisher lists this title as no. 45 in his checklist of Collier's imprints from a 1795 adv. in the *Litchfield [Ct.] Monitor*.

714A [ALLEN, IRA] 1751–1814

The following extract of a statement, was presented to the Hon. James Madison, Esquire, Secretary of the United States, in December, 1803. [n.p.n.d. Bennington: Anthony Haswell, 1804.] 15p. 20cm.

vtu-w ¶ Caption title ¶ Contains a restatement of Allen's claim for losses in the *Olive Branch* case. Haswell acknowledged Allen's payment of \$11 for printing 300 copies of 'an appendix to the Olive Branch' on October 24, 1804.

729A CONSOLATORY Ode. Reflections on Death, occasioned by the decease of Miss Eunice Woodbridge, (amiable, promis-

ing, and only daughter of the consort of Col. David Robinson, late Mrs. Woodbridge) who died in this town, on the 4th day of September, 1804, in the eighth year of her age. ... Funereal Observations. Extract, addressed to every reader in life, and particularly to mourners. ... Bennington:---Haswell & Smead, print. [1804?] Broadside.

Calvin P. Otto ¶ A poem of 8 stanzas, possibly composed by Andrew Haswell, printed in two columns, followed by two columns of prose.

752 nhhi copy now at GRM

757 *Cancelled*: This small broadside was printed in Norwich, Ct., by Thomas Hubbard from a text that appeared in the July 11, 1804, issue of the *Courier*.

760A VERMONT. *General Assembly, 1803*

Debenture of the Adjourned Session of the General Assembly, commencing January 26th, and ending February 6th, A.D. 1804. [n.p.n.d. Windsor: Alden Spooner, 1804.] vii p. 24.5cm.

vtu-w

815 Copy at vtu-w

874 Copy at mehi

880A VERMONT. *Governor, 1797-1807, 1808-1809 (Isaac Tichenor)*

By his Excellency Isaac Tichenor, Esquire, Governor, Captain-General and Commander in Chief, in and over the state of Vermont, A Proclamation. ... Wednesday the 16th day of April next, to be observed as a day of Public Fasting and Prayer. ... Given under my hand at Bennington, this 10th day of March one thousand eight hundred and six. Isaac Tichenor. By his Excellency's command, William Page, jun. Secretary. [n.p.n.d. Windsor? Alden Spooner?] Broadside. 41 x 33.3cm.

GRM*; vtu-w

937A [MASON, ELNATHAN] b.1754

A Remarkable Account of the Conversion of a Young Man, from the Destructive Principles of Infidelity. Related by himself.

Bennington: Printed for travelling book-sellers, by B. Smead. 1807. 12p. 17cm.

MWA* ¶ Text follows that of an 1804, Utica, N.Y., edn.

939A THE NEW-ENGLAND Primer, Improved: Embracing the Rev. Dr. Watts' Catechism for children; The Assembly of Divines' Shorter catechism, and a variety of other useful matter: Designed to facilitate the instruction of children in early piety. Middlebury, (Vt.) Printed and sold by J. D. Huntington. 1807. 72p. 10.5cm.

MWA*

948A STEARNS, SAMUEL, 1741-1809

A Petition for a Contribution for the Relief of Doctor Samuel Stearns, a prisoner in the jail in Keene. To the church and congregation in The petition of Samuel Stearns, most humbly sheweth... Brattleborough, Vt., Jan. 1807. [n.p.n.d. Brattleborough: William Fessenden, 1807] Broadside. 22.5 x 15cm.

MWA* ¶ Stearns's petition is followed by a statement signed and dated by John Houghton and three other residents of Brattleborough, attesting to the good character of Dr. Stearns who was jailed for debt. See John C. L. Clark, "'The famous Doctor Stearns'" *Proceedings of the American Antiquarian Society* 45 (1935): 317ff.

954A VERMONT. *Governor, 1797-1807, 1808-1809 (Isaac Tichenor)*

By his Excellency Isaac Tichenor, Esquire, Governor, Captain General, and Commander in Chief, in and over the State of Vermont, A Proclamation, for a day of public humiliation, fasting, and prayer. ... Wednesday, the 15th day of April next, ... Given under my hand, at Bennington, this 16th day of March, 1807. ... By the Governor's command, William Page, jun. Secretary. [n.p.n.d. Bennington? Andrew Haswell? 1807] Broadside. Folio.

GRM

995A GRAY, WILLIAM, 1750-1825

Americans!—Will you support the Embargo? Hon. William Gray's Letter. ... Salem, August 11, 1808.... From the office of The World: Bennington—Thursday Evening, Aug. 25. [Bennington: Benjamin Smead, 1808] Broadside. 25 x 21.5cm.

vtBENN ¶ Printed in three columns.

1004 Copy at MWA

1016 *Corrected date:* The vtU-w copy is inscribed by Gov. Silas H. Jenison, 'Middlebury August 15, 1809' Thus, this should be dtd. 1809 and renumbered as 1091A.

1025A ROBINSON, MOSES, 1741-1813

Federal Falsehoods exposed, by the Patriot of '94. From the (Danville) North Star. Communication. Mr. Eaton, ... Bennington, September 3, 1808. Printed by the Son of an Old Whig. [William Haswell?] Broadside. 25 x 29.5cm.

vtBennM ¶ Printed in four columns. Contains also a letter from Samuel Shaw, 1768-1827.

1034A UNITED STATES. *Laws, statutes, etc.*

Embargo Acts. No. 3. ... March 12, 1808. ... No. 4. ... April 25, 1808. Approved, Th: Jefferson. St. Albans: Printed by R. Allen. [1808] Broadside. 48 x 38cm.

vtU-w ¶ Printed in five columns.

1041A VERMONT. *Governor, 1797-1807, 1808-1809 (Isaac Tichenor)*

Governor's Speech. ... Isaac Tichenor Montpelier, October 17th, 1808. Answer to the Governor's Speech. ... [n.p.n.d. Montpelier? Samuel Goss? 1808] Broadside. 39.5 x 31.5cm.

vtU-w ¶ Printed in two columns.

1047A WATTS, ISAAC, 1674-1748

The Improvement of the Mind, in two parts Also, A Discourse on the Education of Youth, and Remnants of Time, employed in Prose and Verse. By Isaac Watts, D.D. Bennington: Printed by Anthony Haswell. 1808. 383p., 16.5cm.

A. Beliveau

1092 Copy at vtU-w

1166A FESSENDEN, WILLIAM, 1779-1815

Books. [list of books for sale, printed in two columns] ... The above books are for sale by William Fessenden at his bookstore in Brattleborough; and may be had on application to P. Merrifield & Co. booksellers, Windsor, Vt.; or at Z. Lyon's bookstore in

Royalton ... April 27, 1810. [n.p.n.d. Brattleborough: William Fessenden, 1810] Leaflet. 25.5 x 20.5cm.

PHI ¶ Mathew Carey Papers; Lea & Febiger Collection, incoming correspondence, 14 May 1810.

1183 Copy at GRM

1195A MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE

Middlebury College, in Middlebury, Vermont. Order of Exercises for Commencement, August 15, 1810. ... [n.p.n.d. Middlebury: Joseph D. Huntington, 1810] Broadside. 26.5 x 21.5cm.

vtu-w

1198A OBITUARY. ... From the G[reen]. M[ountain]. Farmer.

Elegiac thoughts, occasioned by the death of Miss Sally H. Brown, daughter of Mr. Samuel Brown, who died March 28, 1810, aged fifteen years. True Repentance. ... These lines, except those enclosed in brackets, were sung at the funeral of the last mentioned young lady, Thursday March 29th, 1810. [n.p.n.d. Bennington: Benjamin Smead, 1810] Broadside. 34 x 21cm.

vtu-w ¶ A poem of 14 stanzas, printed in two columns.

1279 Copy at GRM

1302A MILLS, SAMUEL, fl. 1806-1826

University of Vermont, Burlington, 10th April, 1811. Sir, About to republish Murray's 'Power of Religion on the Mind,' you desire my opinion concerning the merits of the work. ... Daniel C. Sanders. ... Burlington, 11th April, 1811. Sir, ... James Dean. ... [Burlington: Samuel Mills, 1811] Broadside. 28 x 19.8cm.

vtu-w ¶ Two letters to Samuel Mills from members of the faculty of the University. See item 1306.

1385A EMERSON, JOSEPH, 1777-1833

The Evangelical Primer, ... Sixth edition. ... Boston: Printed by Samuel T. Armstrong ... And may also be had of ... Samuel Swift, Middlebury, Vt. ... 1812. 72p. 14cm.

MWA*

1406A MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE

Quarterly Exhibition of Middlebury College, March 26,

1812. ... Printed by T. C. Strong. [Middlebury, 1812] Broadside.
23.5 x 19cm.

vtu-w

1435A VERMONT. *Governor, 1809–1813, 1815–1820 (Jonas Galusha)*

By his Excellency Jonas Galusha, Esquire, Captain General, Governor, and Commander in Chief, in and over the State of Vermont. A Proclamation. ... the third day of December next, to be observed as a day of publick thaksgiving [*sic*] and praise, ... Montpelier this 22d day of October A.D. 1812, ... [n.p.n.d. Montpelier? Wright & Sibley? 1812] Broadside. 37.5 x 31cm.

Rutland County Court clerk's office

1441B VERMONT BIBLE SOCIETY

The establishment of Societies for the distribution of Bibles among the indigent, and those who have not the opportunity of obtaining them, is of serious importance, ... We whose names are underwritten, agree to form ourselves into a Society, to be denominated, 'The Vermont Bible Society,' for the purpose of distributing the Bible, and to be governed by the following Constitution. ... Wm. Page, Clerk of the Meeting. Rutland, Oct. 7, 1812. [Rutland? William Fay? 1812] 2 lvs. 34.5cm.

vtu-w

1502B G[REEN]. M[OUNTAIN]. FARMER, Extra. Monday Evening, Nov. 22, 1813. By his Excellency Martin Chittenden, Esq. Governor, ... A Proclamation. ... [recalling the 3rd Brigade, 3rd Division, Vermont State Militia, from Plattsburgh, N.Y., where that unit had been placed under the command of officers not from Vermont] [Bennington: Darius Clark & Co., 1813] Broadside. 51 x 15.5cm.

vtu-w ¶ Printed in two columns.

1518A MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE

Commencement. Middlebury-College, August 18, 1813. Order of Exercises. ... T. C. Strong, printer. [Middlebury, 1813] Broadside. 28 x 21.5cm.

vtu-w

1531A SHEPHERD, SYLVANUS, *f.* 1811–1825

[Poem?] composed by S. Shepherd, on the death of Sally

Page, who was drowned in Cambridge, Vt. 1813. [cut of coffin] ... [n.p.n.d. Montpelier? 1813?] Portion of a broadside.

MWA* ¶ A poem of 9 stanzas.

1544A Copy at vtu-w

1551A VERMONT. *Treasurer*

General List of the State of Vermont, for the year of our Lord 1813. [n.p.n.d. Montpelier? Walton & Goss? 1813] 5 folded tables. 56 x 23.5cm.

vtu-w

1602B FESSENDEN, WILLIAM, 1779-1815

William Fessenden, Printer and Bookseller, Brattleborough, (Vermont,) has for sale and exchange, [list of books] ... [n.p.n.d. Brattleborough: William Fessenden, 1814] Leaflet. 26 x 20.5cm.

Phi ¶ Mathew Carey Papers; Lea & Febiger Collection, incoming correspondence, 29 March 1814.

1652A THE PRESENT; A first book for children. Windsor, (Vt.)

Printed by Jesse Cochran for Joseph Dix.....1814. 35p., illus., printed wraps. 14.3cm.

GRM*

1671A1 VERMONT. *General Assembly, 1813 and 1814*

Votes for Governor, in the State of Vermont, as counted by the Canvassing Committees, in the years 1813 and 1814. ... [n.p.n.d. Rutland? William Fay? 1814] Broadside.

vtrhi

1691A YANKEE SONG. ... [n.p.n.d. Windsor: Jesse Cochran, 1814?] Broadside. 33 x 25cm.

MWA* ¶ 20 stanzas of verse, printed in two columns. J. A. Leo Lemay points out that the cuts used in this broadside ballad are the same as two used by Cochran in *Battle of Plattsburgh*, item 1583A in this checklist.

1724 *Cancelled*. Date of 1815 is a typographical error for 1845. Dr. Lamb died in 1845.

1795A Copy at GRM; vtu-w

1835 *Corrected author*: COFFIN, ROBERT STEVENSON,
b.1797

An expanded version of the *Narrative* was published in Hanover, N.H., by David Watson under a similar title and with the authorship acknowledged. Also, see Coffin's autobiography, *The Life of the Boston Bard* (Mt. Pleasant, N.Y., 1825), which reprints much of this text.

1883B Copy at vtU-w

1918B FISHER, JONATHAN, 1768-1847

The Youth's Primer ... Boston: Published by Samuel T. Armstrong, ... And may also be had of ... Samuel Swift, Middlebury, Vt.; ... 1817. 108p., illus. 14cm.

MWA*

1948A A READY Reckoner for the use of Dealers in Timber and others. Burlington: Printed by Samuel Mills. 1817. Price: 50 Cents single- -5 Dollars per dozen. 60p. 12cm.

MWA* ¶ Text of title is repeated in French on the same leaf, immediately following the English title. The 'Explanation' on p. 3 is repeated in French as 'Explication' on p. 4.

1952 Copy at GRM

1971 Copy at vtU-w

1999A [BEWICK, THOMAS] 1753-1828

A History of Water Birds. Woodstock: Printed by David Watson 1818. 31p., illus., printed wraps. 9.5cm.

GRM* ¶ The cuts used in this edition are those of the Weathersfield, 1815, edition printed by Eddy & Patrick, item no. 1713.

2039A REPUBLICAN PARTY. *Vermont*

Republican Ticket for State Officers and Members of Congress. [rule] For Governor—His Excellency, Jonas Galusha. ... [Burlington? E. & T. Mills? 1818] Broadside. 48 x 28cm.

vtU-w ¶ Printed in two columns. Republicans in the Northwestern part of the state propose a rival ticket to the one proposed at the Montpelier caucus in the fall of 1817; on this

ticket, Judge Samuel C. Crafts, Ezra Meech, and Col. Orsamus C. Merrill have been named in the places of William A. Griswold, Rollin C. Mallory, and John Peck.

2160A VERMONT. *Lieutenant Governor, 1796-1813, 1815-1820* (Paul Brigham)

[Lt. Governor's address to the gentlemen of the Council and of the House of Representatives, Montpelier, October 15, 1819] [n.p.n.d. Montpelier? E. P. Walton? 1819] Broadside, 4to.

Not located ¶ Listed in *The Collector*, no. 871, June 1980, lot N-566. Brigham takes the oath of office, after more than forty years of service, and informs his colleagues that it is 'his wish hereafter not to be considered as a candidate for any office.'

2157A VERMONT. *Governor, 1809-1813, 1815-1820* (Jonas Galusha)

Governor's Speech. Gentlemen of the Council, and Gentlemen of the General Assembly, ... Jonas Galusha. Montpelier, Oct. 15th, 1819. [n.p.n.d. Montpelier? E. P. Walton? 1819.] Broadside. 42 x 35 cm.

vtu-w*

2205A HOLBROOK AND FESSENDEN, *firm*. Brattleborough

Holbrook & Fessenden's Cash and Exchange List, for 182 Cash stock. Quarto Bibles. ... Webster's Spelling Book, ... Miscellaneous exchange. ... [n.p.n.d. Brattleborough: Holbrook & Fessenden, 1820] Leaflet. 32 x 20cm.

PHI ¶ Mathew Carey Papers; Lea & Febiger Collection, incoming correspondence, 25 Aug. 1820.

2238 Copy at vtu-w

2255A THE EXILES of Eden invited to Christ! ... [n.p.n.d. Bennington? ca. 1808?] Broadside. 28 x 21.5cm.

vtbennm ¶ *Perhaps* this broadside printing of ten verses that calls deists, atheists, and the vainglorious to repent was printed in Bennington. It appears in a scrapbook located at the Bennington Museum on the same page with two 1808 broadsides that were, in fact, printed in Bennington.

2258 Copy at vtu-w

2256 *Improved entry*: [Masonic apron for the Royal Arch chapter.]
Published by Lewis Roberson, Weathersfield, Vt. [n.d. ca.
1816.] 41 x 54.5cm.

vthi* ¶ Printed on silk, with an elliptical lower border. Probably engraved by Oliver Tarbell Eddy. Another example of this apron is held by the Museum of Our National Heritage in Lexington, Mass. It is illustrated as item 64 in the museum's catalogue, *Bespangled Printed & Embossed. Decorated Masonic Aprons in America, 1790-1850*, compiled by Barbara Franco and issued in 1980.

2256A FREEMASONS

[Masonic apron.] Published by Lewis Roberson Weathersfield Vermont. O. Eddy, sc. [n.d. ca. 1816.] 41 x 35.5cm.

MWA* ¶ Engraved by Oliver Tarbell Eddy. Printed on silk in a rectangular shape. Another example of this apron is held by the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Massachusetts, Boston. It is illustrated as item 63 in *Bespangled Printed & Embossed*.

A NOTE ON THE PRINTING OF THE NEW ENGLAND

'Almanacks,' 1646-1650

A striking, but hitherto unnoticed parallel exists between the practice of printing almanacs 'at Cambridge in New England' from 1646 to 1650 and those produced by the London printing houses during the same period. The parallel lies in the use, to a greater or lesser extent, of standing type for the printing of consecutive issues of a particular almanac. From this parallel and other evidence, we are able to suggest how the knowledge of a typical English printing house practice was transmitted to the earliest American printers.

Composition has always been one of the most expensive factors in the economics of book production. Thus, it is not

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