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Titles are grouped by place of publication, the places being in alphabetical order and the titles in chronological order according to the known or conjectured dates of first issues. Direct references to particular titles may be found in the General Index. The chart in Appendix B shows the strictly chronological order of the whole set.

To each newspaper here identified as a separate publication a serial number has been assigned for ease of reference. Such identification will, in some cases, seem arbitrary and un­justified. Mere change of subtitle is not regarded as marking the termination of one newspaper and the beginning of another, nor is the changing of the main title, unless change of management or ownership is also known to have taken place; but indication is given wherever it is known or strongly suspected that one paper directly and immediately succeeded another. Changes in title are included as part of the entry for each paper, except when a change was preceded—or may have been preceded—by a gap of at least several weeks, in which case it is assumed that a new paper was started, and there is a separate entry at the appropriate place in the chronological sequence.

Many papers published prior to the inescapable application of the Stamp Tax in 1725 nominally came to an end with the last issue of April in that year and were succeeded by
"new" papers, usually with completely different format and title. The separation of the papers published just before and just after 30 April 1725 has perhaps only slender warrant. It will also be easy to challenge the separate listing of *F. Farley's Bristol Journal* and *Farleys Bristol Advertiser*, which appeared on alternate Saturdays, with the same advertisements and for many weeks with interlocking serial numbering, number 45 of one being followed by number 46 of the other; but the relations of these two and the relations of both to earlier Bristol papers are clarified rather than obscured by the separation. On the other hand, Stephen Martin's *Bath Chronicle*, which began with new numbering on 16 October 1760, is here listed as a continuation of the same printer's *Bath Advertiser*, in number 261 of which (11 October 1760) the change of title was announced.

Certain papers which might appear to have been consecutive are here separated if they are now known to have overlapped—as is true of the earlier *Stamford Mercury* and *Howgrave's Stamford Mercury*—or if the gap was considerable. Such a gap separated the *Salisbury Journal* which Charles Hooton stopped printing in 1730 and the *Salisbury Journal* which began in 1736.

As was pointed out in the Note on the Dating of Early Newspapers at the beginning of this book, all dates are here given in the form "15 Oct 1740," though some space-conscious librarians would prefer a further reduction to "15 O 40." All dates have been silently adjusted to give a uniform year date for all papers published between 1 January and the following 31 December. An issue dated February 23, 1726-27, is here dated 23 Feb 1727, as is also a paper known to have been issued on that same day but dated February 23, 1726.

Other adjustments are these: volume numbers, where given, are here always in roman numerals; serial numbers of issues are here always in arabic numerals.

Conjectured serial numbers and dates are enclosed in square brackets, with an interrogation mark attached if there is uncertainty. The form "[no. 1 (9 Jun ? 1746)]" means that
the issue has not been seen and the date of it is conjectural. The form "[no. 1 (20 Jul 1741)]" implies that the date is well attested but that the issue has not been seen.

Unless a statement is made to the contrary, it is to be assumed that each paper had four pages and had three columns to the page.

The details assembled under each title are in this order:

1. subsequent titles of the same paper, with dates;
2. date, known or conjectured, of the first issue;
3. serial number and date of the earliest issue seen, if that was not number 1;
4. other known dates, if needed to establish continuity or to record change of serial numbering;
5. the terminal date of the paper, if known and if the paper came to an end before 31 December 1760 (a plus sign indicating that the paper is known to have continued after 31 December 1760);
6. the day of publication;
7. the number of pages if not four;
8. the number of columns to the page if not three;
9. the imprint or colophon of the earliest issue seen (other sources of information being clearly indicated if no issue has been seen);
10. significant subsequent variations of the imprint or the colophon;
11. in a few cases, notes concerning the history of the paper;
12. holdings of libraries in the United Kingdom, in order of proximity to the place of publication;
13. holdings in the United States and Canada.

In these entries a few abbreviations are used, most of them obvious; the five to be particularly noted are these:
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con.: continued, or continuation
def.: defective, i.e., the copy is imperfect
fac.: facsimile
inc.: incomplete, i.e., some issues of the run are missing
rep.: reprint or reprinted

BATH

1. The Bath Journal. [By 29 Nov 1756 con. as]: Boddely's Bath Journal.


Mon.


The death of Thomas Boddely on Wednesday morning, 9 Jun 1756, is announced in the Bath Advertiser, no. 35 (Sat, 12 Jun 1756).

Bath Municipal Library: vol. I, no. 11 (7 May 1744) to vol. XII, no. 52 (29 Dec 1755), nearly complete, many duplicates; vol. XIV, no. 5 (31 Jan 1757) to vol. XVII, no. 52 (29 Dec 1760), + , many duplicates.
Bristol Reference Library: vol. I, no. 2 (5 Mar 1744) to vol. XIV, no. 52 (26 Dec 1757), nearly complete; vol. XV, nos. 12 (20 Mar 1758) to 39 (25 Sep 1758).

Bodleian Library: vol. X, no. 39 (24 Sept 1753); vol. XIV, nos. 4 (24 Jan 1757) to 50 (12 Dec 1757).

British Museum: vol. I, nos. 7 (9 Apr 1744) to 54 (4 Mar 1745), fourteen issues only; vol. II, nos. 2 (1 Apr 1745) to 52 (17 Mar 1746), thirty-five issues only; vol. III, nos. 1 (24 Mar 1746) to 53 (23 Mar 1747), nearly complete; vol. X, no. 40 (1 Oct 1753); vol. XIII, no. 48 (29 Nov 1756); no. 51 (30 Dec 1756).

Private library of Sydney R. Turner, Esq., Cheam: vol. IV, nos. 5 (27 Apr 1747) to 48 (22 Feb 1748), nine issues only.

Yale University Library: vol. III, no. 1 (24 Mar 1746) to vol. IV, no. 52 (21 Mar 1748); vol. VI, no. 1 (27 Mar 1749) to vol. VIII, no. 52 (16 Mar 1752).


Library of Congress: vol. II, no. 26 (16 Sep 1745) to vol. IV, no. 26 (21 Sep 1747); vol. VI, no. 26 (18 Sep 1747) to vol. IX, no. 9 (25 May 1752), lacking three issues.


2. The Bath Advertiser. [From 16 Oct 1760 con. as]: The Bath Chronicle: Or, Universal Register.

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Sat; from 16 Oct 1760, Thu.

Bath: Printed by Stephen Martin, at the Printing-Office, just without West-Gate. . . . "This Paper will be published in Bristol every Saturday Morning, By Samuel Nayler, Printer, in Broad-Mead. . . . [Passage from "" removed after 20 March 1756.]

[From 6 Nov 1760 this statement follows the imprint]: “This paper is served One Hundred and Twenty-six Miles in Length, from Reading in Berkshire, to the lower Parts of the County of Somerset; extending besides over most Parts of Wiltshire and Gloucestershire; the Cities of Wells, Bristol, &c. being also duly serv'd therewith. . . .”

Bath Municipal Library: vol. I, no. 1 (18 Oct 1755); no. 5 (15 Nov 1755); nos. 17 (7 Feb 1756) to 63 (25 Dec 1756), lacking four issues; vol. II, nos. 64 (1 Jan 1757) to 104 (8 Oct 1757), lacking four issues; vol. III, nos. 105 (15 Oct 1757) to 138 (27 May 1758); no. 155 (23 Sep 1758); vol. IV, nos. 186 (5 May 1759) to 242 (31 May 1760); vol. V, nos. 252 (9 Aug 1760) to 255 (30 Aug 1760), nos. 257 (13 Sep 1760) to 261 (11 Oct 1760); vol. I [of the Bath Chronicle], no. 1 (16 Oct 1760), no. 2 (23 Oct 1760), nos. 4 (8 Nov 1760) to 10 (18 Dec 1760).

Bristol Reference Library: vol. II, no. 64 (1 Jan 1757); vol. V, nos. 226 (9 Feb 1760) to 260 (4 Oct. 1760), lacking seven issues.

British Museum: vol. I, no. 1 (18 Oct 1755) to Vol. II, no. 64 (1 Jan 1757).


Yale University Library: vol. II, nos. 54 (23 Oct 1756) to 85 (28 May 1757); nos. 87 (11 Jun 1757) to 104 (8 Oct 1757); vol. IV, no. 157 (7 Oct 1758); nos. 159 (21

[No. 1] [27 Sep 1756]—18 Oct 1756—?

Mon.

Bath: Printed by Samuel Farley, in the Market Place.

First issue advertised in Felix Farley's Bristol Journal on 18 Sep 1756 as to appear on Mon, 27 Sep.

Issue dated 11 Oct 1756 has this note:

The kind Reception this Journal has met with, not only from the Citizens of Bath and Bristol, but the Inhabitants of other Places, calls for proper Acknowledgement. In this Manner I return my most grateful Thanks, and begging the Continuance of my Customers Favours, remain,

Their oblig'd humble Servant,

Samuel Farley.


4. The Bath Chronicle and Weekly Gazette.


Thu; 4 cols.

[Under title]: Printed and publish'd by C. Pope, and Co. at the Printing-Office in Stall-Street. . . . The above C. Pope serv'd his Apprenticeship with the late Mr. Boddely, and has had the sole Management of the Bath Journal for these last five Years.


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5. The Birmingham Journal.
[No. 1 (9 Nov ? 1732)] — no. 28 (21 May 1733) — ?
Thu; from 21 May 1733, Mon.
Birmingham: Printed by T. Warren, . . .
In no. 28 it is stated that, in response to requests, the
day of publication has been changed from Thursday
to Monday, and this is added: "we hope it will not
be taken amiss that we postponed our last Thursday’s
Paper . . . . ”
Office of the Birmingham Post: no. 28 (21 May 1733).
Birmingham Reference Library: no. 28 (21 May 1733),
fac.

6. The Warwick and Staffordshire Journal: with the Ex-
position on the Common-Prayer. [From 29 Oct 1737
con. as]: The Warwick and Staffordshire Journal: with
the History of the Holy Bible. [From 25 Jun 1740 con.
as]: The Warwick and Staffordshire Journal: with the
History of the Life of Jesus Christ.
[No. 1 (20 Aug ? 1737)]—no. 3 (3 Sep 1737)—Jun 1743.
Sat; from Wed, 16 Nov and Thu, 17 Nov 1737, pub. in
two series, one on Wed, the other on Thu.
London, Printed by R. Walker, the Corner of Seacoal
Lane, next Fleet Lane. [From 28 Dec 1738]: London,
Printed by R. Walker in Fleet Lane.
Though for several years printed in London, this paper
was intended for circulation in Birmingham and other
towns in that area. No. 69 (Thu, 7 Dec 1738) has this
note: "Mr. Jolly, who serves Birmingham and other
Towns adjacent with this and all other Books and
Papers printed by R. Walker, in London, is removed out of Edgbaston-Street, Birmingham, to Mr. Cox's, at the Angel and Hen and Chickens in the said Town." By late 1741, according to a statement in Thomas Aris's Birmingham Gazette, no. 1 (16 Nov 1741), Walker apparently printed the Warwick and Staffordshire Journal in Birmingham. See above, p. 143 n. 2.

Birmingham Public Library: nos. 3 (Sat, 3 Sep 1737) to 148 (Thu, 12 Jun 1740), with "supplements" of nos. 13 to 17 and of nos. 19, 40, 43, 97; nos. 61 (Wed, 19 Aug 1741) to 66 (Wed, 23 Sep 1741), and no. 68 (Wed, 7 Oct 1741), with "supplements," also "supplements" of nos. 80 to 93; nos. 97 (Wed, 20 Jun 1739) to 149 (Wed, 18 Jun 1740), with "supplements."

William Salt Library, Stafford: nos. 35 (Thu, 13 Apr 1738) to 147 (Thu, 5 Jun 1740), nearly complete.

7. The Birmingham Gazette: or, the General Correspondent. [From 1 Mar 1742 con. as]: Aris's Birmingham Gazette: or, the General Correspondent.

No. 1 (16 Nov 1741)—end of 1760, + .

Mon.


A History of . . . Famous Pirates was issued in folio sheets as supplement to this paper in 1742.

Birmingham Public Library: no. 1 (16 Nov 1741) to end of 1760, + .

William Salt Library, Stafford: vol. III, no. 120 (27 Feb 1744) to end of 1760, + .


British Museum: no. 1 (16 Nov 1741); no. 239 (9 Jun 1746)

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Press Club: vol. IX, no. 469 (5 Nov 1750).

Private library of W. B. Morrell, Esq., London: vol. I, nos. 60 (3 Jan 1743) to 115 (23 Jan 1744), nearly complete; vol. III, nos. 116 (30 Jan 1744) to 130 (7 May 1744), nearly complete; vol. VI, nos. 276 (23 Feb 1747) to 308 (5 Oct 1747), nearly complete.

New York Public Library: vol. XIV, no. 735 (22 Dec 1755), def.

Bristol

8. The Bristol Post-Boy, Giving an Account of the most Material News both Foreign and Domestick.

[No. 1 (Nov ? 1702)—no. 91 (12 Aug 1704)—no. 340 (26 Aug 1710)—?]

Sat; but no. 287 is dated Wed, 7 Sep to Sat, 10 Sep 1709; 2 pp.; 2 cols.

Bristol, Printed and Sold by W. Bonny in Corn-street, 1704.

Bristol Reference Library: no. 91 (12 Aug 1704); no. 281 (20 Mar 1708); no. 287 (10 Sep 1709); no. 340 (26 Aug 1710).

9. Sam. Farley's Bristol Post Man: or, Weekly Intelligence, From Holland, France, Spain, &c With General Occurrences, Foreign and Domestick.

REGISTER

Sat; 12 pp.; single col.

Printed at my House in St. Nicholas-street, near the Church; Deliver'd to any publick or private House in this City for Three Half-pence a Paper; and seal'd and deliver'd for the Country at Two Pence.

Mentioned in the Gloucester Journal, no. 8 (28 May 1722). Perhaps con. as Farley's Bristol News-Paper (item 11 in this Register). Letter by Samuel Farley's niece in the Bath Journal, vol. X, no. 52 (24 Dec 1753), quoted in item 16 of this Register, suggests that Sam. Farley's Bristol Post Man was followed in unbroken succession by Farley's Bristol News-Paper (item 11 in this Register), Farley's Bristol Journal (ibid.), F. Farley's Bristol Journal (item 16 in this Register), and Farleys Bristol Advertiser (item 17 in this Register).

Bristol Reference Library: nos. 24 (24 Dec 1715) to 29 (28 Jan 1716).

10. The Bristol Weekly Mercury from Holland, France, Spain, &c. with Fresh Advices, Foreign and Domestick: Far Exceeding all other News Papers.

[No. 1 (5 or 8 Oct ? 1715)]—no. 61 (1 Dec 1716)—[no. [?] (7 May 1726)]—1727.

Sat; 12 pp.; 2 cols.

Price Three Half-Pence, or Eighteen Pence Per Quarter in Town. Any Person may have this Paper, every Monday Morning, at Mr. John Palmer's Book-seller in Gloucester. Bristol: Printed by Henry Greep.

The Gloucester Journal, no. 217 (10 May 1726), has a report dated at Bristol May 7 beginning, "We hear there happen'd a terrible Fire at Bath Yesterday in the Afternoon, which Mr. Greep in a Paper, he printed this Day, acquaints us . . . began . . . in a publick Wash-house. . . ."
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Below the subtitle of Farley’s Bristol News-Paper, nos. 104 (29 Apr 1727) to 178 (28 Dec 1728), S. Farley printed this statement: “Note, After all Ignorant and Fruitless Attempts of Pretenders, No other News-Paper is Printed in this City; which Circulates above 50 Miles round.”

Bristol Public Library: no. 61 (1 Dec 1716), fac., def. Press Club: no. 61 (1 Dec 1716), fac., def.

11. Farley’s Bristol News-Paper. Containing the most Genuine Occurrences, Foreign and Domestick. [From 27 Aug 1726 con. as]: Farley’s Bristol News-Paper. Containing the most genuine Occurrences, Foreign and Domestick. Abstracted from all the Printed and Written News Papers Extant; and Publish’d every Saturday Morning soon after the London Post comes in . . . . [By 30 Mar 1734 con. as]: Sam. Farley’s Bristol Newspaper. [By 29 Aug 1741 con. as]: Farley’s Bristol Journal. [No. 1 (8 May ? 1725)]—no. 20 (18 Sep 1725)—no. 16 (21 Nov 1730)—no. 552 (29 Aug 1741)—?

Sat (except no. 34, published Fri, 24 Dec 1725, and no. 35, published Fri, 31 Dec 1725); 2 cols.; by 12 Feb 1737, 3 cols.

Printed at my House in Wine-street, near Newgate. . . . [From 8 Jan 1726]: Printed at my House, below the Dolphin, in Wine-street. . . . [From 21 Aug 1731]: At S. Farley’s Printing Office in Wine-street, Gentlemen may be supply’d with . . . .

May be a continuation of Sam. Farley’s Bristol Post Man (item 9 in this Register). Probably con. as F. Farley’s Bristol Journal (item 16 in this Register) and Farleys Bristol Advertiser (item 17 in this Register), published on alternate Saturdays from 3 Dec 1743.

Bristol Reference Library: nos. 20 (18 Sep 1725) to 190 (21 Dec 1728), lacking twelve issues; no. 213 (31 May
12. The Oracle: Or, Bristol Weekly Miscellany. [From 17 Jul 1742]: The Oracle: Or, Bristol Weekly Miscellany. By Andrew Hooke, Esq.


Bristol: Printed for the Society, By Benjamin Hickey in Nicholas-street, 1742. [No. 10 (5 Jun 1742) has]: Bristol: Printed for the Society, 1742. [No. 11 (12 Jun 1742) has]: Bristol: Printed by Benjamin Hickey, in Nicholas-street, for the Society, 1742. [No. 16 (17 Jul 1742) has]: Bristol: Printed by B. Hickey, for the Author, 1742. [No. 33 (13 Nov 1742) has]: Bristol: Printed by B. Hickey, in Nicholas-street, for the Author, 1742. [No. 40 (31 Dec 1742) has]: Bristol: Printed by J. Watts, in Shannon-Court, for the Author, 1742.

This paper was followed by (1) the Bristol Oracle, and Country Intelligencer (item 14 in this Register) and (2) the Bristol Oracle, and Country Advertiser (item 15 in this Register), published on alternate Saturdays, beginning in January, 1743.

Bristol Reference Library: vol. I, nos. 1 (3 Apr 1742) to 11 (12 Jun 1742); nos. 13 (26 Jun 1742) to 32 (6 Nov 1742); nos. 35 (27 Nov 1742) to 40 (31 Dec 1742).

British Museum: vol. I, no. 20 (14 Aug 1742) and no. 26 (25 Sep 1742).
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[No. 1 (1 May ? 1742)]—no. [58?] (4 Jun 1743)—[no. 68 (13 Aug 1743)]—?

Sat.

Bristol: Printed by R. Winpenny and Company, at the Bible in Castle-Street.

The serial number of the only copy seen is partly cut away and appears as LVI. The correct number may be either LVII or LVIII. The number [57] is given in R. T. Milford and D. M. Sutherland, *A Catalogue of English Newspapers and Periodicals in the Bodleian Library 1622-1800* (London: Oxford University Press, for the Oxford Bibliographical Society, 1936); but the number LVIII would fit into the sequence indicated by the only other issue reported. According to Hyett and Bazeley, *op.cit.* (see item 9 in this Register), III, 279, a heading with title and “No. LXVIII (Sat. Aug. 13, 1743),” cut from the rest of the copy, was once in a scrap book in the Bristol Museum and Library, but the fragment cannot be found either in the Bristol Museum or in the Bristol Reference Library.

Bodleian Library: no. [58?] (4 Jun 1743).


Vol. I, no. 1 (8 Jan 1743)—vol. III, no. 60 (6 Apr 1745).

Alternate Sat.

Bristol: Printed by J. Watts, at the Sign of the Bible in Shannon-Court, Corn-Street. . . . [From 18 Aug 1744]: Printed for A. Hooke, at the Sign of the Bible in Shannon-Court, Corn-Street, . . .
This newspaper and the *Bristol Oracle, and Country Advertiser* (item 15 in this Register) were published on alternate Saturdays and were essentially the same paper, differing only in title and in having separate serial numbering. These two papers were followed by a similar pair, the *Bristol Oracle* (item 18 in this Register) and the *Country Advertiser* (item 19 in this Register), likewise published on alternate Saturdays.

Bristol Reference Library: vol. I, nos. 1 (8 Jan 1743) and 2 (22 Jan 1743); nos. 5 (5 Mar 1743) to 28 (21 Jan 1744), lacking seven issues; nos. 31 (3 Mar 1744) to 35 (28 Apr 1744); vol. II, no. 38 (9 Jun 1744) to vol. III, no. 60 (6 Apr 1745), lacking eight issues.

British Museum: vol. II, no. 34 (14 Apr 1744).


15. The *Bristol Oracle, and Country Advertiser*.


Alternate Sat (except vol. I, no. 22, published Fri, 4 Nov 1743).

Bristol: Printed by J. Watts, at the Sign of the Bible in Shannon-Court, Corn Street, . . . [From 13 Aug 1743]; Bristol: Printed for A. Hooke, at the Sign of the Bible in Shannon-Court, Corn-Street, . . . [From 25 Aug 1744]; Bristol: Printed by A. Hooke, at his Printing Office.

See note attached to item 14 in this Register.


British Museum: vol. II, no. 44 (8 Sep 1744).
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[No. 1 (3 Dec ? 1743)]—no. 17 (24 Mar 1744)—no. 2167 (20 Nov 1756)—end of 1760, +. Not published 28 Sep 1745, nor from 19 Apr to 24 May 1746.

Sat; fortnightly to 29 Mar 1746, from 7 Jun to 16 Aug 1746, and for a time early in 1748; weekly from 12 Apr 1746 to 24 May 1746, from 30 Aug 1746 to 26 Dec 1747, and from 30 Jan 1748.


Probably con. from Farley's Bristol Journal (item 11 in this Register). Serial numbering sometimes alternates with that of Farleys Bristol Advertiser, sometimes is independent of it.

This letter by Sarah Farley, dated at Bristol on 22 Dec 1753, is in the Bath Journal, vol. X, no. 52 (24 Dec 1753):

Whereas it hath been industriously spread about this City, &c. on the Demise of Samuel Farley, Printer, in Castle-Green, that his Paper (upwards of Thirty Years Standing, always held in Esteem for the Accuracy and Adaption of its News) would be dropt, with his other Business; This is therefore to inform the Friends and Customers of the late Samuel Farley, that his said Business, in all its Branches, will be carried on by his Neice, with a proper Manager and Assistants, who have conducted the same, during the long Time of her Uncle's Illness. . . .
Certainly Felix Farley was the proprietor of *F. Farley's Bristol Journal*, as is clear not only from the title of the paper but from the fact that in number 1590 (21 Nov 1747) he signed his name to a notice as "the Proprietor of this Paper"; but the paper here listed must not be confused with *Felix Farley's Bristol Journal* (item 22 in this Register).

Bristol Reference Library: no. 17 (24 Mar 1744), def.; nos. 19 (21 Apr 1744) to 34 (25 Aug 1744); no. 38 (22 Sep 1744); nos. 42 (20 Oct 1744) to 48 (17 Nov 1744); no. 50 (15 Dec 1744); no. 64 (23 Mar 1745); no. 68 (20 Apr 1745); nos. 71 (18 May 1745) to 130 (10 Jan 1747); nos. 132 (24 Jan 1747) to 146 (25 Apr 1747); nos. 1561 [sic] (2 May 1747) to [1615] (14 May 1748), lacking ten issues; no. [1638] (22 Oct 1748); nos. 1649 (7 Jan 1749) to 1682 (6 Jan 1750), nineteen issues only; nos. [1684] (20 Jan 1750) to 1703 (9 Jun 1750), lacking seven issues; no. 1722 (27 Oct 1750); no. 1723 (3 Nov 1750); no. 1774 (26 Oct 1751); no. 2085 (19 Apr 1755); no. 2142 (29 May 1756); no. 2167 (20 Nov 1756); no. 2439 (3 Apr 1762), +.

Oxford University Press Ephemeral Collection: no. 88 (23 Nov 1745).

British Museum: no. 2156 (4 Sep 1756).

17. Farleys Bristol Advertiser.

[No. 2 (10 Dec ? 1743)]—no. 18 (31 Mar 1744)—no. 111 (23 Aug 1746); no issue published between no. 97 (5 Apr 1746) and no. 100 (31 May 1746); after no. 111, con. as *F. Farley's Bristol Advertiser*, last two issues numbered 1597 (9 Jan 1748) and 1599 (23 Jan 1748).

Sat (fortnightly), alternating with *F. Farley's Bristol Journal* (item 16 in this Register) from beginning to 23 Aug 1746 and again for two issues, 9 and 23 Jan 1748.

Bristol: Printed by Felix Farley, and Comp. at Shakespeare's-Head in Castle-Green.
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Probably con. from Farley's Bristol Journal (see item 11 in this Register).

Bristol Reference Library: nos. 18 (31 Mar 1744) to 51 (22 Dec 1744), lacking three issues; no. 59 (16 Feb 1745); no. 65 (30 Mar 1745); nos. 70 (11 May 1745) to 82 (14 Sep 1745); nos. 84 (5 Oct 1745) to 97 (5 Apr 1746); no. 100 (31 May 1746); nos. 104 (28 Jun 1746) to 111 (23 Aug 1746); no. 1597 (9 Jan 1748); no. 1599 (23 Jan 1748).

18. The Bristol Oracle.


Alternate Sat.

Printed by A. Hooke, at his Printing Office in Shannon-Court, Corn-street, . . . [From 17 Sep 1748]: Printed for Andrew Hooke in Bristol.

This newspaper and the Country Advertiser (item 19 in this Register) were essentially the same paper, published alternately and differing only in title and in having separate serial numbering. These two papers succeeded a similar pair, the Bristol Oracle, and County Intelligencer (item 14 in this Register) and the Bristol Oracle, and Country Advertiser (item 15 in this Register), likewise published on alternate Saturdays. It is presumably the end of the Bristol Oracle (together with the Country Advertiser) that is referred to in Edward Ward's Bristol Weekly Intelligencer, no. 1 (23 Sep 1749): "As a Fellow Citizen . . . has thought fit to decline the Publication of his Journal, and only one Publick News-Paper appears now to be exhibited. . . ."

Bristol Reference Library: vol. I, nos. 1 (20 Apr 1745) to 52 (21 Mar 1747), lacking three issues; vol. III [sic], nos. 2 (18 Apr 1747) to 18 (28 Nov 1747), lacking three issues; nos. 22 (23 Jan 1748) to 41 (15 Oct 1748), lacking six issues; no. 50 (18 Feb 1749); nos. 53 (1 Apr 1749) to 65 (16 Sep 1749), lacking one issue.

Vol. I, no. 1 (27 Apr 1745)—vol. III, no. 64 (9 Sep 1749).
Alternate Sat.
Printed by M. Nayler, in Bristol, . . . [From 13 Aug 1748]: Printed for Andrew Hooke, in Bristol.
See note attached to item 18 in this Register.
Bristol Reference Library: vol. I, nos. 1 (27 Apr 1745) to 51 (28 Mar 1747), lacking eight issues; vol. III [sic; II not used], nos. 1 (11 Apr 1747) to 39 (24 Sep 1747), lacking nine issues; nos. 50 (25 Feb 1749) to 64 (9 Sep 1749), lacking one issue.

20. The Bristol Mercury.
[By Apr 1746]—no. 24 (20 Oct 1748)—[Sep 1749?].
Thu; from 29 Oct 1748, Sat; 2 pp.
Printed by Edward Ward, in Castle-street, by whom all Manner of Printing is done reasonable . . .
In Farley’s Bristol Advertiser, no. 97 (5 Apr 1746), is this statement:

Our Readers will observe that in this Paper they have generally on a Saturday News a Post sooner than can be found in either of the other Papers.

The implication seems to be that in addition to the Bristol Oracle and the Oracle Country Advertiser, published on alternate Saturdays and essentially one paper with alternating title, there was at that time another weekly newspaper in Bristol. There is in F. A. Hyett and William Bazeley, The Bibliographer’s Manual of Gloucestershire Literature (Gloucester: Bellows, 1897), III, 280, a reference to a Bristol Mercury printed by Edward Ward from 1747 to 1749; and in F. Farley’s Bristol
Journal, no. 1584 (10 Oct 1747), it is claimed that "Only Two of our People sell as many as are printed of the Mercury . . . ." The Bristol Mercury doubtless came to an end before Ward started his Bristol Weekly Intelligencer (item 21 in this Register) on 23 Sep 1749.

Bristol Reference Library: no. 24 (20 Oct 1748).

21. The Bristol Weekly Intelligencer.

No. 1 (23 Sep 1749)—no. 487 (3 Feb 1759)—?

Sat.

Printed by E. Ward, in Castle-street. . . . [From 24 Mar 1750]: Printed by E. Ward, in Broad-street. . . . [From 27 Jun 1752]: Printed by E. Ward, just Removed from Broad-street, to the Shop late Mr. Croft's, at the King's-Arms, on the Tolzey. . . . [From 3 Feb. 1759]: Printed by Edward Ward, opposite the Post Office. . . .

Bristol Reference Library: nos. 1 (23 Sep 1749) to 92 (29 Jun 1751), lacking five issues; nos. 96 (27 Jul 1751) to 169 (30 Dec 1752), lacking six issues; no. 177 (24 Feb 1753); no. 223 (12 Jan 1754), def.; no. 241 (18 May 1754); no. 275 (11 Jan 1755); no. 285 (22 Mar 1755); no. 296 (7 Jun 1755); no. 298 (21 Jun 1755); no. 311 (20 Sep 1755); no. 325 (27 Dec 1755); no. 346 (22 May 1756); no. 372 (20 Nov 1756); nos. 378 (1 Jan 1757) to 429 (24 Dec 1757), twenty-four issues only; nos. 434 (28 Jan 1758) to 449 (13 May 1758), nine issues only; no. 462 (12 Aug 1758), def.; no. 487 (3 Feb 1759).

Bodleian Library: nos. 27 (24 Mar 1750) to 52 (22 Sep 1750), lacking two issues; no. 57 (27 Oct 1750); no. 60 (17 Nov 1750); no. 61 (24 Nov 1750); no. 63 (8 Dec 1750); no. 66 (29 Dec 1750).


Vol. I [serial numbers were not used in this paper until the year 1774], issue dated 2 May 1752—vol. IX, issue dated 27 Dec 1760, +.
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Sat.
Publish'd at his Printing-Office at Shakespeare's-Head in Small-Street, every Saturday Morning. [From 29 Aug 1752]; Publish'd at his Printing-Office at Shakespeare's-Head in Small-Street [removed from Castle-Green]. [From 5 May 1753]: Publish'd at the Printing-Office. . . .

In Edward Ward's Bristol Weekly Intelligencer, no. 131 (28 Mar 1752), is a notice addressed "To the Publick":

Whereas Felix Farley, from discontinuing the Partnership with his Brother Samuel, is about to publish a New Paper in Opposition to the old Bristol Journal; as their Interest must be divided, it may be modestly presum'd, that each Paper will by these Means become less popular. . . .

In Felix Farley's Bristol Journal, dated 5 May 1753, is this announcement:

To the Publick:

Whereas it hath pleased God to take to Himself the late Proprietor of this Journal: This is to give Notice, That the Same, with Printing in all its Branches, is continued, and carried on by his Widow and Son, at the Printing-Office in Small-Street . . . .

Bath Municipal Library: vol. IX, issue dated 12 Jul 1760.

Printed by John Grabham, in Narrow-Wine-Street, . . . [From 29 Mar 1760]: Printed by John Grabham and William Pine, in Narrow-Wine-Street.
Bristol Reference Library: vol. I, nos. 1 (5 Jan 1760) to 52 (27 Dec 1760), + .

[Vol. I, no. 1 (15 Apr ? 1717)—vol. [II], no. 43 (3 Feb 1718)—vol. XXVI, no. 26 (30 Jun 1740)—vol. [?], no. [?] (29 Jul 1752)]—?

Mon; by 29 Jul 1752, perhaps Wed.; from 1725, 8 pp.; by 10 Aug 1730, 4 pp.; single col.; by 18 Mar 1723, 2 cols.; by 10 Aug 1730, 3 cols.


The Bury Post is quoted in the Ipswich Journal of 16 Jan 1742; the title page of the Gentleman's Magazine lists a "Bury Journal" to the end of December, 1742; and the Ipswich Journal of 1 Aug 1752 quotes "From the Bury Journal" a local item of news dated "Bury St. Edmund's, July 29, 1752."

Bury St. Edmunds Public Library: vol. VI, no. 2 (11 Jan 1720) to vol. X, no. 17 (21 Oct 1723), inc.; vol. XVI, no. 3 (17 May 1725) to vol. XIX, no. 3 (3 Feb
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1729), inc.; vol. XXIV, no. 67 (9 Apr 1733) to vol XXV, no. 38 (16 Apr 1739), inc.

Suffolk Institute of Archaeology, Bury St. Edmunds: no. 43 (3 Feb 1718), def.; vol. XVI, no. 52 (2 May 1726); another issue, perhaps dated 16 May 1726, pp. 3-6 only; vol. XXI, no. 32 (10 Aug 1730); vol. XXII, no. 40 (4 Oct 1731); vol. XXVI, no. 26 (30 Jun 1740.)

Press Club: vol. IV, nos. 12 (23 Mar 1719) and 13 (30 Mar 1719).

Yale University Library: vol. XVI, no. 28 (8 Nov 1725) to vol. XVIII, no. 14 (24 Apr 1727).


CAMBRIDGE


Sat; Fri, for a short time in Jun 1749.


Issues in 1758 have under dateline: "... This Journal is dispers'd with the greatest Expedition through the following Countries, viz. Cambridgeshire, Huntingdonshire, Bedfordshire, Hertfordshire; Northamptonshire,
Lincolnshire, Leicestershire, Rutlandshire, Nottinghamshire, Derbyshire, and some parts of Norfolk, Suffolk, and Essex."


Yale University Library: vol XIII, no. 637 (11 Dec 1756).

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Public Library, Canterbury: no. 346 (24 Jun 1721); no. 530 (23 Mar 1723); no. 785 (1 Dec 1725); nos. 846 (2 Jul 1726) to 1371 (21 Jul 1731), inc.; no. 1650 (27 Apr 1734); no. 2095 (7 Dec 1737); nos. 2337 (2 Apr 1740) to 2937 (27 Nov 1745), inc.; no. 3097 (15 Jul 1747); no. 3528 (31 Aug 1751); nos. 3745 (10 Oct 1753) to 4023 (9 Jun 1756), inc.; no. 4102 (12 Mar 1757); no. 4277 (8 Nov 1758); no. 4331 (16 May 1759); no. 4376 (13 Oct 1759); no. 4469 (3 Sep 1760); no. 4494 (29 Nov 1760).

British Museum: no. 1 (16 Oct 1717), ink drawing of title page (mutilated); nos. 795 (5 Jan 1726) to 898 (31 Dec 1728); no. 910 (11 Feb 1727); nos. 1003 (3 Jan 1728) to 1616 (29 Dec 1733), lacking nine issues; nos. 1891 (24 Dec 1735) to 2728 (31 Dec 1743); no. 2789 (1 Aug 1744); nos. 2833 (2 Jan 1745) to 4503 (31 Dec 1760), + .

Press Club: no. 2427 (11 Feb 1741); no. 4059 (13 Oct 1756).

Oxford University Press Ephemeral Collection: no. 244 (12 May 1739).

Duke University Library, Durham, North Carolina: nos. 3251 (4 Jan 1749) to 3354 (30 Dec 1749); nos. 3665 (3 Jan 1753) to 3977 (31 Dec 1755); nos. 4082 (1 Jan 1757) to 4186 (31 Dec 1757); nos. 4293 (3 Jan 1759) to 4503 (31 Dec 1760), all very nearly complete.


CHESTER

27. The Chester Weekly Journal; Being a Collection of the Most Material News Both Forreign and Domestick. [From 10 Nov 1731 con. as]: The Chester Weekly Jour-
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nal: With the most material Advices both Foreign and Domestick. [From 10 May 1732 con. as]: The Chester Weekly-Journal. With the freshest Advices both Foreign and Domestick.

[No. 1 (11 May ? 1721)]—no. 105 (9 May 1723)—vol. XXXVI, no. 8 (18 Jul 1733)—?

Thu; by 10 Nov 1731, Wed; 12 pp.; by 10 Nov 1731, 4 pp.; 2 cols.; by 10 Nov 1731, 3 cols.

[By 9 May 1723]: Chester: Printed by and for Wm. Cooke, and for H. Anyon, J. Munks and are to be Sold at their Houses in Liverpool. [By 21 May 1724]: Chester: Printed by Wm. Cooke, . . . .

Early issues have above imprint: Licens’d and Entr’d in the Stamp-Office. Vol. XXIX, no. 6 (24 Nov 1731), and issues from 12 Jul 1732 have this note under the date line:

This establish’d Paper is carry’d through Nine Counties, and some Thousands are Sold Weekly; so People may consider the Advantage of Advertising in it.

Chester Public Library: no. 159 (21 May 1724); no. 167 (16 Jul 1724); nos. 202 (18 Mar 1725) to 204 (1 Apr 1725); vol. XXXVI, no. 8 (18 Jul 1733).

University College of South Wales and Monmouthshire Library: vol. XXIX, no. 4 (10 Nov 1731), to vol. XXXIII, no. 1 (20 Sep 1732).

Bodleian Library: vol. XXX, no. 4 (2 Feb 1732); vol. XXXVI, no. 1 (30 May 1733) and no. 5 (27 Jun 1733).

New York Public Library: no. 105 (9 May 1723), def.


[No. 1 (29 Nov ? 1732)]—no. 51 (14 Nov 1733)—no. 1263 (30 Dec 1760), + .

Wed; by Oct 1746, Tue.
Chester: Printed by Roger Adams . . . . [By 9 Jun 1742]: Chester: Printed by Elizabeth Adams . . . . [From 9 Dec 1746]: Chester: Printed by Eliz. Adams, by whom Advertisements are taken in; also taken in by Mr. Durston, Bookseller in Shrewsbury, where this News-Paper may constantly be had every Week. This Paper likewise may be had every Tuesday, at Mr. Ans-dale’s, Bookseller in Liverpoole; and every Wednesday, at Mrs. Jackson’s, in the Old Coffee-House Entry, Manchester. . . .

Many articles from this newspaper were reprinted in The Chester Miscellany. Being a Collection Of several Pieces, both in Prose and Verse, Which were in the Chester Courant From January 1741, to May 1750 (Chester: Elizabeth Adams, 1750), and in Manchester Vindicated: being a compleat collection of the papers Lately published in defence of that town, in the CHESTER COURANT, Together with All those on the other Side of the Question, Printed in the MANCHESTER MAGAZINE or elsewhere, which are answered in the said CHESTER COURANT (Chester: Eliz. Adams, 1749).

Chester Public Library: no. 51 (14 Nov 1733), fac.; no. 167 (4 Feb 1736); no. 168 (11 Feb 1736); no. 477 (9 Jun 1742); no. 756 (22 Dec 1747); no. 818 (27 Dec 1748); nos. 822 (24 Jan 1749) to 847 (4 Jul 1749), five issues only; nos. 964 (1 Oct 1751) to 1099 (14 May 1754), lacking many issues.

Office of the Chester Courant: no. 724 (10 Mar 1747); no. 759 (10 Nov 1747); no. 763 (22 Dec 1747); no. 766 (5 Jan 1748); nos. 861 (10 Nov 1749) to 1076 (2 Oct 1753); nos. 1145 (1 Apr 1755) to 1172 (14 Oct 1755); nos. 1263 (5 Jul 1757) to 1160 [sic] (26 Dec 1758); nos. 1211 (1 Jan 1760) to 1263 (30 Dec 1760), + .

Manchester Reference Library: no. 51 (14 Nov 1733), fac.; no. 279 (29 Mar 1738); no. 295 (19 Jul 1738); no. 711 (9 Dec 1748); no. 714 (30 Dec 1748); nos. 722 (24
Feb 1747) to 766 (5 Jan 1748), thirteen issues only; no.
775 (1 Mar 1748); no. 785 (10 May 1748); nos. 872 (26
Dec 1749) to 929 (29 Jan 1751), lacking seven issues;
os. 931 (12 Feb 1751) to 980 (21 Jan 1752), lacking
eleven issues, with some duplicates; no. 987 (10 Mar
1752); no. 1008 (4 Aug 1752); nos. 1019 (31 Oct 1752)
to 1027 (26 Dec 1752), lacking two issues.

The Vicarage, Mottram in Longdendale, Cheshire: no.
143 (20 Aug 1735); no. 151 (15 Oct 1735); no. 158 (3
Dec 1735).

William Salt Library, Stafford: no. 431 (8 Jul 1741);
no. 910 (18 Sep 1750); no. 1009 (11 Aug 1752); no. 1014
(19 Sep 1752); no. 1080 (5 Feb 1754); nos. 1109 (16
Jul 1754) to 1160 (8 Jul 1755), seven issues only.

York Minster Library; nos. 297 (2 Aug 1738) to 299 (16
Aug 1738); no. 307 (11 Oct 1738); no. 312 (15 Nov
1738); no. 318 (27 Dec 1738); no. 321 (17 Jan 1739).

Bodleian Library: no. 994 (28 Apr 1752).

British Museum: nos. 322 (24 Jan 1739) to [339] (23
May 1739), seven issues only; nos. 724 (10 Mar 1747) to
814 (29 Nov 1748), sixteen issues only.

Press Club: no. 2340 [i.e. 240] (29 Jun 1737); no. 814
(29 Nov 1748).

New York Public Library: no. 728 (7 Apr 1747).

Yale University Library: no. 51 (14 Nov 1733), fac.

29. The Industrious Bee, or Weekly Entertainer. Containing
Something to hit every Man's Taste and Principles Being
more in Quantity than any Thing of the Kind Published
at the Price.

[No. 1 (1 Aug ? 1733)]—[no. 23 (9 Jan 1734)]—?

Wed.

Colophon not recorded.

For details, see Chapter III, page 108.
30. The Chester Weekly Tatler. Containing the Freshest Advices foreign and Domestick, with a New Voyage round the world.

[No. 1 (23 Aug ? 1734)]—[no. 4 (18 Sep 1734)]—?

Wed.

Colophon not recorded.

Evidence that at least four issues of this paper appeared in August and September, 1734, is to be found in a sworn statement dated 15 February 1734 (i.e., 1735) now in the Public Record Office [K. B. 11/32/4] recording the conviction of William Cooke for having published number 4 (18 Sep 1734) of the paper, unstamped, the informer being John Adams. Cooke had to pay the £40 fine to the Crown and twenty shillings in costs to Adams. See above, page 109.

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[No. 1 (17 Nov ? 1718)]—no. 18 (16 Mar 1719)—vol. VI, no. 5 (9 Dec 1723)—?

Mon; 12 pp.; single col.

Cirencester: Printed and sold by Thomas Hinton, in Pye Corner, . . .

Bingham Public Library, Cirencester: vol. II, no. 23 (18 Apr 1720) and the last four pages of other issues, including pp. 56-59 of vol. VI, no. 5 (9 Dec 1723).
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British Museum: nos. 18 (16 Mar 1719) to 29 (1 Jun 1719); vol. II, no. 37 (25 Jul 1720).

32. The Cirencester Flying-Post, and Weekly Miscellany. [From 24 Oct 1743 con. as]: The Cirencester Flying-Post.

[No. 1 (15 Dec ? 1740)]—no. 42 (5 Oct 1741)—no. 313 (15 Dec 1746)—1750?

Mon.

Cirencester: Printed by G. Hill and Comp. [From 22 Mar 1742]: Cirencester: Printed by Tho. [later, Thomas] Hill and Comp. . . .

In the Gloucester Journal, no. 1321 (1 Sep 1747), a letter dated at North Cerney on 29 Aug 1747 refers to a piece “inserted in . . . the last Cirencester Journal.” In the Stratford, Shipston, and Aulcester Journal, no. 1 (5 Feb 1750), is a statement that that paper was “now Substituted in the Room of the OXFORD and CIRENCESTER FLYING POSTS . . .”

Bingham Public Library, Cirencester: nos. 42 (5 Oct 1741) to 164 (6 Feb 1744).

Gloucester Public Library: no. 152 (5 Sep 1743); no. 172 (2 Apr 1744); nos. 180 (28 May 1744) to 251 (7 Oct 1745); nos. 253 (21 Oct 1745) to 313 (15 Dec 1746).

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33. The Essex Mercury: Or, Colchester Weekly Journal. [By 3 Feb 1739 con. as]: Pilborough's Colchester Journal: Or, The Essex Mercury containing, The most remarkable Occurrences, Foreign and Domestick. [By 3 Mar 1739 con. as]: Pilborough's Colchester Journal Or, Essex
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[No. 1 (17 Mar ? 1733)]—no. 151 (31 Jan 1736)—no. 340 (29 Sep 1739)—1751—?

Sat.

Colchester: Printed by J. Pilborough, over-against St. Nicholas Church . . . . [By 3 Feb 1739]: Colchester: Printed by J. Pilborough, over-against the Three Cups Inn. . . . [By 20 Apr 1739]: Colchester: Printed by J. Pilborough, at the Printing-Press over-against the Three Cups. 1739.

Passages from “the Colchester Journal” were quoted in the Ipswich Journal until late in 1746; and Dr. Cranfield has drawn attention to a reference to the “Colchester news printer” in the Norwich Mercury dated 12 January 1751.

Colchester Public Library: nos. [306] (3 Feb. [1739]) to 326 (23 Jun 1739), lacking four issues; nos. 333 (11 Aug 1739) to 336 (1 Sep 1739); nos. 338 (15 Sep 1739) to 340 (29 Sep 1739).

British Museum: no. 151 (31 Jan 1736); no. 173 (3 Jul 1736).

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34. Jopson’s Coventry Mercury, or the Weekly Country Journal. [From 21 Feb 1743 con. as]: Jopson’s Coventry and Northampton Mercury, or the Weekly Country Journal. [From 4 Jul 1743 con. as]: Jopson’s Coventry Mercury, or the Weekly Country Journal.
Mon.

Coventry: Printed by J. Jopson, in Hay Lane, where letters and advices (post paid) are taken in; also by the men who sell this paper, who constantly travel the following counties, viz. Warwickshire, Staffordshire, Derbyshire, Nottinghamshire, Leicestershire, Oxfordshire, Buckinghamshire, and Bedfordshire. . . . [From 28 Feb 1743]: Northampton: Printed by J. Jopson, in Gold Street. [From 11 Apr 1743]: Coventry: Printed by J. Jopson, over against the Black Bull Inn, in Highstreet. [By 14 Dec 1757]: Coventry: Printed by J. Jopson, and sold at his Shop, next Door to the White Bear Inn, in High-Street. . . . [From 12 Mar 1759]: Coventry: Printed by E. Jopson, in the High-street. . . .

Information about early titles and imprints is taken from Benjamin Poole, Coventry: Its History and Antiquities (London: Smith, 1870), pp. 393-94.

Coventry City Libraries: no. 343 (14 Dec 1747); no. 355 (7 Mar 1748); no. 390 (7 Nov 1748); no. 541 (4 Nov 1751), def.; no. 717 (5 May 1755); no. 728 (21 Jul 1755); nos. 914 (8 Jan 1759) to 1017 (29 Dec 1760), inc., + .

Bodleian Library: nos. 881 (22 May 1758) to 888 (10 Jul 1758); no. 909 (4 Dec 1758); nos. 912 (25 Dec 1758) to 916 (22 Jan 1759); nos. 921 (26 Feb 1759) to 929 (23 Apr 1759).

British Museum: no. 670 (10 Jun 1754), def.

35. Luckman and Sketchley's Coventry Gazette: or, the Weekly Country Magazine. [By 17 Sep 1761 con.
as] Luckman and Sketchley's Coventry Gazette, and Birmingham Chronicle.

[No. 1 (31 Mar ? 1757)]—vol. V, no. 234 (17 Sep 1761)—?

Thu.

Printed by and for the Publishers, T. Luckman, Printer and Bookseller, near the Cross, Coventry, and J. Sketchley, at the Universal Register-Office in High-street, Birmingham . . . . [Under title]: Published every Thursday Morning by T. Luckman, in Coventry, and J. Sketchley, in Birmingham; and dispersed from thence, with the greatest Expedition, thro' Warwickshire, Leicestershire, Derbyshire, Staffordshire, Shropshire, Worcestershire and Northamptonshire.

Advertisements from current issues of Luckman and Sketchley's Coventry Gazette are reprinted in the Public Ledger (London) from March, 1760, onward.

Birmingham Public Library: vol. V, no. 234 (17 Sep 1761).

**DERBY**

36. The Derby Post-Man, Or A Collection of the most material Occurrences, Foreign and Domestick; Together with An Account of Trade. To be continued Weekly.

[No. 1 (1 Dec ? 1720)]—no. 8 (19 Jan 1721)—no. 25 (18 May 1721)—?

Thu; 12 pp.; single col.

Derby: Printed by S. Hodgkinson near St. Warburg's Church; . . . [By 18 May 1721]: Derby: Printed and Sold by S. Hodgkinson at the Printing-Office near St.
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Warburg's Church; and by Hen. Alestree, Bookseller in Derby, Wm. Holt in Wirksworth; and may be had at Burton, Litchfield, [at Shenston by Thomas Barfoot] Sutton, Birmingham, by Thomas Hide, and at Ashbourn, Uttoxeter [sic], Stafford and Stone by Thomas Hau­worth, and will be left for any Gentlemen (by the Men who will come every Week to the above said places) at ls. 6d. the Quarter; at all which Places Advertisements are taken in at 2s. each. [Price Three-Half-Pence].

Derby Borough Library: no. 8 (19 Jan 1721); no. 10 (2 Feb 1721); no. 25 (18 May 1721).

37. The British Spy: Or, Derby Post-Man.

No. 1 (6 Apr 1727)—no. 203 (22 Apr 1731)—?

Thu; 4 pp., except nos. 16 (27 Jul 1727) to 20 (24 Aug 1727), which have 8 pp.; 2 cols. to 24 Aug 1727; from 14 Sep 1727 to 12 Dec 1728, 3 cols.; from 2 Jan 1729, 2 cols.

Derby: Printed by S. Hodgkinson, in the Sadlergate, . . . 1727. [By 18 Jul 1728]: Derby: Printed and sold by S. Hodgkinson; and are likewise to be had of H. Allestree, Bookseller at the Market-Head; Jer. Roe, at the upper End of the Sadlergate, in Derby aforesaid; J. Collyer, Bookseller in Nottingham; . . . Sold also by W. Turner in Burton upon Trent, David Watson in Ashby-de-la-zouch, Richard Smith in Ashburn, William Holt at Wirksworth, and William Walker in Uttoxeter; . . . [By 28 May 1731]: Derby: Printed and sold by S. Hodgkinson in Irongate; . . .

Derby Borough Library: vol. I, no. 1 (6 Apr 1727); no. 9 (1 Jun 1727); nos. 14 (13 Jul 1727) to 42 (21 Mar 1728), thirteen issues only; no. 62 (8 Aug 1728); nos. 70 (3 Oct 1728) to 80 (12 Dec 1728), lacking two issues; no. 87 (30 Jan 1729); vol. II, no. 109 (3 Jul 1729); no. 124 (16 Oct 1729); no. 156 (28 May 1730); vol. III, no. 186 (24 Dec 1730); no. 202 (15 Apr 1731).
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Nottingham Central Library: vol. I, no. 11 (15 Jun 1727); nos. 19 (17 Aug 1727) to 98 (17 Apr 1729), twenty-five issues only; vol. II, nos. 103 (22 May 1729) to 159 (18 Jun 1730), seventeen issues only; vol. III, nos. 176 (15 Oct 1730) to 203 (22 Apr 1731), ten issues only.

Newberry Library, Chicago: no. 16 (27 Jul 1727), pp. 3-6 only.

38. The Derby Mercury.

First issue, unnumbered (23 Mar 1732)—vol. I, no. 1 (30 Mar 1732)—vol. XXIX, no. 41 (26 Dec 1760), + .

Thu; from 28 Oct 1743, Fri; 2 cols.; from 12 Jun 1740, 3 cols.

Derby: Printed by Sam Drewry, in the Market-Place; and to be had of Mr. Henry Allestree [misprinted Alleseree], and Mr. Jer. Roe, Booksellers in Derby; also at Burton, Uttoxeter, Ashborne, Ashby-De-La-Zouch, and Wirksworth. [From 17 Aug 1732]: Derby: Printed and Sold by Sam. Drewry, in the Market-Place; also by Mr. Henry Allestree, and Mr. Jer. Roe, Booksellers in Derby; Mr. William Ward, Bookseller in Nottingham; Mr. Richard Smith, in Ashborne; Mr. Benjamin Astle in Burton; Mr. — [later, William] Walker, in Uttoxeter; Mrs. Elizabeth Unwin, in Ashby-de-la-Zouch; Mr. J. Stanley in Wirksworth; Mr. J. Slater, Bookseller in Chesterfield; and Mr. J. Carnet, at Castlegreen Head in Sheffield. . . . [From 21 Jun 1733]: Derby: Printed and Sold by Sam. Drewry, in the Market-Place; . . .

Derby Borough Library: first issue (23 Mar 1732) to vol. XXIX, no. 41 (26 Dec 1760), + , practically complete.

Yale University Library: vol XII, nos. 1 (17 Mar 1743) to 52 (9 Mar 1744); vol. XVI, nos. 1 (25 Mar 1748) to 52 (17 Mar 1749).
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DONCASTER

39. The Doncaster Flying-Post: or, Hull and Sheffield Weekly Advertiser.
[No. 1 (30 Apr ? 1754)]—no. 37 (7 Jan 1715)—Aug, 1755.

Tue.

Doncaster: Printed by R. Homfray and J. Rawson, at their Printing-Office, at the Blue Bell in New-Street. Subscriptions are taken in by the above Persons at their Shops in Sheffield and Hull; Mr. Simmons, Bookseller in Sheffield; Mr. Joseph Health, Bookseller, in Nottingham, and at his Shop in Mansfield, every Market-Day; Mr. William Wilson, Peruke-Maker, in Rotherham; Mr. Thomas B[l]attersby, at Anston, every Tuesday Night, and at Worksop, on Wednesday Morning; Mr. Saunderson, Bookseller in Bawtry; Mr. Saunderson, Bookseller in Pontefract; Mr. William Wingfield, Tallow Chandler, in Bakewell, and at the Boot and Shoe, in Tidswall; Mr. Joseph Smith, Bookseller in Barnsley; Mr. J. Rogers, the Sheffield Carrier at Chesterfield; the Printing-Office above, and the Persons who carry this News. [Under date line]: *" This Paper is distributed in the following Towns, viz. Rotherham, Sheffield, Barnsley, Pontefract, Wakefield, Leeds, Bradford, Otley, Skipton, Halifax, Ilkley, Thorn, Snaith, Selby, Rawcliff, Howden, Cave, Hull, Beverley, Preston, Hedon, Pattrington, Hornsea, Bridlington, and through all Holderness, Chesterfield, Bakewell, Hope, Castleton, Chapel le Frith, Buxton, Tideswell, Mansfield, Bawtry, Nottingham, Newark, Redford in the Clay, Worksop, Blythe, Tickhill, Lincoln, Isle of Axholme, Gainsborough, Brigg, Caister, Louth, Barton, Barrow, Goxhill, Winterton, Winteringham, &c.

Under the title is this notice: "With this Paper is given Gratis, one half Sheet in Octavo, of a compleat History
of the Lives and Exploits of the Most Remarkable Highwaymen, Pirates, Street-Robbers, Murderers, &c. To make four Vols."

Dr. Cranfield gives the title as Sheffield Register & Doncaster Flying Post.

In August, 1755, this paper was amalgamated with Lister's Sheffield Weekly Journal (item 130 in this Register).

Library of Congress: no. 37 (7 Jan 1755).

DURHAM

40. The Durham Courant.

[No. 1 (?1733)]—1740—?

In the lists flanking the title of the Gentleman's Magazine between September, 1733, and December, 1740, Durham is named among the provincial towns having newspapers. Proposals dated at Durham on 12 August 1736 for printing by subscription The Letters of Sir Robert Bowes, of Streatham Castle in the County Palatine of Durham were printed in the Gentleman's Magazine, VI (August 1736), 49, with the information that subscriptions would be taken in "by Mess. Ward and Chandler, at their Shops in London and Scarborough, Mr. Hildyard at York, Mr. Alex. Symers at Edinborough, by the Booksellers of Newcastle; by Mrs. Waghorn Mr. Aisly, and I. Ross at Durham, and by the Carriers of the Durham Courant, in their several Roads." In John Sykes, Local Records; or Historical Register of Remarkable Events . . . in Northumberland and Durham . . . , (2 vols.; Newcastle: Sykes, 1833), I, 152, is this statement: "It evidently appears that there was a 'Durham Courant' in existence at this time [1735], and perhaps in 1736 and 1737. Mr. Matthew Thompson, of Durham, up-
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holsterer, . . . has an old book with extracts of various newspapers pasted in it, some of which prove this fact, by articles addressed to the Durham Courant. The publisher was Patrick Sanderson, bookseller, . . . ” It cannot be doubted, therefore, that there was a paper bearing the title *Durham Courant*. The printer may have been J. Ross (the I. Ross named in the advertisement quoted above), who printed Dr. Christopher Hunter’s *Durham Cathedral, As it was before the Dissolution of the Monastery*, with this imprint: Durham, Printed by J. Ross, for Mrs. Waghorn, 1733. One must recognize the slender possibility that “Durham Courant” was only a special title printed on the copies of John White’s *Newcastle Courant* which were intended for readers living in and around Durham, in the same way as Henry’s *Reading Journal, or Weekly Review* was, in 1746, also issued with the heading *Henry’s Winchester Journal*; but the references given above strongly support the belief that the Durham paper had an independent existence.

No copy found.

ETON

41. The Eton Journal or Early Intelligencer. [By 27 Jan 1746 con. as]: The Windsor and Eton Journal: containing the Earliest Intelligence both Foreign and Domestic. [By 8 May 1746 con. as]: The Windsor and Eton Journal.

[No. 1 (7 Oct ? 1745)]—[no. 14 (21 Nov 1745)]—no. 106 (19 Mar 1747)—[no. 170 (9 Jun 1748)]—?

Mon and Thu until 8 May 1746; thereafter Thu.
Eton: Printed for J. Pote Bookseller . . . .

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A file of this paper, destroyed in the war of 1939-45, is described by the author of an anonymous article, “The Earliest Eton Journal” in Etoniana, No. 20 (12 Apr 1916), pp. 315-17. In this article the following note is quoted from the Windsor and Eton Journal, no. 61 (8 May 1746):

This Paper was first published on the breaking out of the Rebellion in the North, and for the more ready Intelligence, published twice a Week: But on the present Situation of Publick Affairs, by the late happy Defeat of the Rebels, it may be sufficient to print a Weekly Journal only.—This News-Paper therefore, for the future, will be publish’d every Thursday morning, on a larger Paper than the former Journal, and be neatly Printed, at the Price of Two-pence each.

As the Paper is now greatly enlarged, the Journal will constantly give a full and regular Account of the Publick Affairs, both Foreign and Domestick, as also the News of the Gazettes, and other Papers, besides many Entertaining Pieces in Poetry and Prose; and the Publick may be assured it will at all Times be our constant Care to give the best Account of the News, and to make this Journal as full and instructive as any published.

Private library of Mr. P. Manley, Windsor: no. 106 (19 Mar 1747).


EXETER

42. Sam Farley’s Exeter Post-Man: Or Weekly Intelligence, From Holland, France, Spain, Portugal, &c. With General Occurrences both Foreign and Domestick.
A few days after Sam. Farley gave up his *Exeter Post-Man*, he started a paper of similar title though different in format, the *Salisbury Post Man: or, Packet of Intelligence, from France, Spain, Portugal, &c.* (item 127 in this Register); and it is worth noting that this new paper was issued thrice weekly. Yet one cannot draw the conclusion that *Sam. Farley's Exeter Post-Man* was probably also issued thrice a week, for another paper with exactly similar title, *Sam. Farley's Bristol Post-Man: or, Weekly Intelligence, From Holland, France, Spain, &c With General Occurrences, Foreign and Domestick* (item 9 in this Register), began to appear in 1713 and (according to its title page) was "constantly Publish'd every Saturday Morning." If the serial number of the only surviving issue is correct, and if the paper was issued regularly once a week from the beginning, then *Sam. Farley's Exeter Post-Man* first appeared in December, 1700, and is the earliest regular provincial newspaper; but Dr. Cranfield (in his *Hand-List*, p. 7) cites a statement in the *Boston News-Letter* of 9 April 1705 (quoted in W. G. Bleyer, *Main Currents in the History of American Journalism*. [Boston: Houghton Mifflin, c. 1927], p. 48) to the effect that the first Exeter newspaper was established "much about the same time that we began here." The *Boston News-Letter* began to appear in April, 1704. On the strength of this slender piece of contemporary evidence, the later date—1704 rather than 1700—is here accepted. Only the discovery of at least one issue earlier than number 556, or of some other contemporary reference, can settle the question of when the paper really started. *Sam. Farley's Exeter Post-Man* was superseded by the *Exeter Mercury* (item 44 in this Register), as it indicated by this announcement in vol. II, no. 2 (30 Sep 1715), of that paper:
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This is to certify all my News-Customers, that I am come to an Agreement with Mr. Bishop, (to save double Charges) That he shall always Print the News; and you shall be as duly served with this as hitherto with Mine; and abstracted from the same Papers as Mine ever was: Not but that I continue on all other Business; and shall Print Advertisements single. If this be acceptable, 'twill be very obliging to

Your Humble Servant,
Sam. Farley.


43. Jos. Bliss's Exeter Post-Boy containing An Impartial Collection of the most Material News both Foreign and Domestick.

[No. 1 (8 Apr ? 1709)]—no. 211 (4 May 1711)—no. 241 (17 Aug 1711)—?

[Tue?] and Fri; 2 pp.; 2 cols.
Possibly con. as the Protestant Mercury: or, the Exeter Post-Boy (item 45 in this Register).
British Museum: no. 211 (4 May 1711).


No. 1 (24 Sep 1714)—vol. III, no. 553 (23 Jan 1722)—?
Fri; by 28 Oct 1715, Tue and Fri; 6 pp.; 2 cols.

Exon: Printed by Philip Bishop at his Printing-Office in St. Peter's Church-yard, 1714 [etc.]. [By 28 Nov 1718, according to The Journals of the House of Commons, XIX, 30, the printer was George Bishop.]

Devon and Exeter Institution: vol. I, nos. 1 (24 Sep 1714) to 52 (16 Sep 1715); vol. II, no. 1 (23 Sep 1715); no. 2 (30 Sep 1715); no. 6 (14 Oct 1715); no. 33 (17 Jan 1716); no. 42 (17 Feb 1716); no. 70 (25 May 1716).

Bodleian Library: vol. II, no. 10 (28 Oct 1715); no. 12 (4 Nov 1715); nos. 18 (25 Nov 1715) to 20 (2 Dec 1715); no. 22 (9 Dec 1715); no. 23 (13 Dec 1715); no. 39 (7 Feb 1716); no. 40 (10 Feb 1716).

British Museum: vol. II, no. 58 (13 Apr 1716); no. 60 (20 Apr 1716), pp. 1-4 only; no. 62 (27 Apr 1716); vol. III, no. 553 (23 Jan 1722), def.

45. The Protestant Mercury: or, the Exeter Post-Boy with News Foreign and Domestick: being the most Remarkable Occurrences, impartially collected, as Occasion offers, from the Evening-Post, Gazette, Votes, Flying-Post, Weekly-Pacquet, Dormer's Letter, Postscript to the Post-Man, &c. So that no other can pretend to have a better Collection. [From 15 Mar 1717 con. as]: The Protestant Mercury: or, the Exeter Post-Boy with News Foreign and Domestick: containing every Friday the Whole Weeks Occurrences, viz. Saturday, Monday, and Thursday-Nights Post.

[No. 1 (27 Sep ? 1715)]—no. 4 (7 Oct 1715)—no. 13 (13 Sep 1717)—[no. (?) (28 Nov 1718), mentioned in The Journals of the House of Commons XIX, 30]—?

Tue and Fri; from 8 Jun 1716, Fri; 6 pp.; 2 cols.

While this paper was issued twice weekly, the news in the Tuesday issue was repeated in the Friday issue, which had additional news on the sixth page. From January, 1716, to 29 March 1717, Bliss printed some copies on fine paper at three halfpence and the others on coarse paper at one penny.

Exeter Public Library: no. 13 (13 Sep 1717).

Devon and Exeter Institution: [vol. I], nos. 4 (7 Oct 1715) to 28 [wrongly numbered 24] (30 Dec 1715) lacking all the Tue issues except no. 11 (1 Nov 1715); [vol. II], nos. 2 (6 Jan 1716) to 26 [wrongly numbered 25] (30 Mar 1716), lacking all Tue issues except no. 3 (10 Jan 1716); [vol. III], nos. 2 (6 Apr 1716) to 49 (28 Dec 1716), lacking all the Tue issues; [vol. IV], nos. 1 (4 Jan 1717) to 24 (14 Jun 1717); [vol. V], nos. 1 (21 Jun 1717) to 12 (6 Sep 1717).

Bodleian Library; [vol. I], no. 14 (11 Nov 1715); no. 18 (25 Nov 1715); no. 22 (9 Dec 1715); [vol. II], no. 12 (10 Feb 1716).

New York Public Library: [vol. II], no. 8 (27 Jan 1716), pages 1 to 4.

46. The Post-master; or The Loyal Mercury.

[No. I (Mar ? 1717)]—no. 6 (2 Sep 1720)—no. 223 (23 Apr 1725).

Fri; 6 pp.; 2 cols.

Exon, Printed by Andrew Brice, at the Head of the Serge-Market in Southgate-street. [From 17 May 1723]: At Exon, printed by Andrew Brice, at the Sign of the Printing-Press, over-against St. Stephen's Church, in the Highstreet.

Followed by Brice's Weekly Journal (item 48 in this Register). Although the serial number of the first surviving issue suggests that the Post-master began on 29 July 1720, there are indications that the paper may have
started over three years earlier. Dr. Cranfield has noted that in the *Protestant Mercury* of 22 March 1717, Jos. Bliss, the printer, declared his satisfaction at having received "reiterated Assurances" of continuing support from several gentlemen, "notwithstanding that Villain Brice's Opposition." The passage seems to imply that Brice was printing a newspaper at that time. Clearer evidence is to be seen in the record of Brice's being summoned to answer a charge laid against him at the end of the year 1718 (*Journals of the House of Commons*, XIX, 43, 53, 54) for having "falsely represented and printed" the resolutions and proceedings of the House of Commons in the issue of his *Post-master* dated 28 Nov 1718. Furthermore, *Andrew Brice's Old Exeter Journal; or the Weekly Advertiser*, no. 53 (7 Jul 1758), has after its serial number "Or above 2000; this Paper being in the 42d Year of its Age." If the *Post-master, or the Loyal Mercury* had started in March, 1717, it would have completed forty-one years of publication in March, 1758, and would in July of that year be in the forty-second year of its age.

Devon and Exeter Institution: nos. 16 (11 Nov 1720) to 112 (14 Sep 1722); nos. 120 (17 May 1723) to 223 (23 Apr 1725), many issues def.

British Museum: nos. 6 (2 Sep 1720) to 220 (9 Apr 1725), inc.

47. *Farley's Exeter Journal.*

[No. 1 (24 May ? 1723)]—no. 104 (14 May 1725)—no. 286 (8 Nov 1728)—?

Fri; 2 cols.; by 20 May 1726, 3 cols.

Exon: Printed by S. Farley, over against the Guild-Hall. [By 20 May 1726]: Printed at Exon by Edward Farley, over-against the Guild-hall, . . . [By 18 Nov 1726]: Printed at Exon by E. Farley, at Shakespear's Head,
over-against the Guild-Hall, . . . Persons in the Country, by Letter may be constantly supply'd, either by Post or Carrier, with this Paper. [By 18 Oct 1728]: no imprint.

The death of Edward Farley in the Exeter gaol was reported in various newspapers in May, 1729. See above, pp. 283-88.

Devon and Exeter Institution: nos. 104 (14 May 1725) to 107 (4 Jun 1725); nos. 156 (20 May 1726) to 159 (10 Jun 1726); no. 257 (19 Apr 1728).

British Museum: nos. 156 (20 May 1726) to 286 (8 Nov 1728), twelve issues only.

No. 1 (30 Apr 1725)—no. 325 (4 Jun 1731)—?
Fri; 2 cols; from 30 Jul 1725, 3 cols.

At Exon printed by Andrew Brice, over-against St. Stephen's Church, in the High street. 1725. [Later]: Exon: Printed by Andrew Brice, at the Sign of the Printing-Press, in the High-street.

This paper superseded The Post-master; or The Loyal Mercury (item 46 in this Register). See also items 49 and 51 in this Register.

Exeter City Library: nos. 218 (20 Jun 1729) to 325 (4 Jun 1731).

Devon and Exeter Institution: no. 1 (30 Apr 1725); no. 2 (7 May 1725); nos. 5 [sic] (11 Jun 1725) to 53 (13 May 1726); nos. 1 (17 Jun 1726) to 129 (13 Dec 1728); nos. 193 [sic] (20 Dec 1728) to 216 (6 Jun 1729).

British Museum: nos. 1 (30 Apr 1725) to 257 (6 Feb 1730), inc.

[No. 1 (21 May ? 1736)]—no. 134 (8 Dec 1738)—?
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Fri.
No imprint.
Exeter City Library: no. 134 (8 Dec 1738).

[No. 1 (1 May ? 1741)]—no. 33 (11 Dec 1741)—?
Fri.
Printed by Felix Farley, next Door to Kittoe's Coffee-House in St. Peter's Church-Yard.

51. Andrew Brice's Old Exeter Journal; or the Weekly Advertiser.
[No. 1 (24 Jan ? 1746)]—no. 326 (17 Apr 1752)—no. 53 [Or above 2000; this Paper being in the 42d Year of its Age] (7 Jul 1758)—?
Fri.
Printed by Andrew Brice, at his Printing-Office in Northgate-street.
Exeter City Library: no. 326 (17 Apr 1752); no. 53 (7 Jul 1758).
Issue entitled the Old Exeter Journal and Weekly Advertiser and dated 12 Sep 1755 mentioned by Thomas N. Brushfield (see item 52 in this Register).

52. [A newspaper published by Andrew Brice's nephew Thomas Brice, mentioned in the Old Exeter Journal and Weekly Advertiser, dated 12 Sep 1755, according to Thomas N. Brushfield, The Life and Bibliography of Andrew Brice, Author and Journalist (privately printed, 1888), pp. 39 f. Andrew Brice's complaint was that his "pushing Nephew—(now again for the third Time—after having been twice forced to give it over) publishes a Paper . . . on unstamped Paper, Price a Halfpenny,
a day or two preceding the stated time of 'Andrew's' for Publication."

[No. [?] (12 Sep 1755)]—?
Wed or Thu.
No copy found.

53. [Exeter Flying Post]
?—1760—?

A newspaper bearing this title is listed (with abbreviation E. F. P.) among the papers cited in the Public Ledger (London), number 1 (12 Jan 1760). In the next issue of the Public Ledger, E. P. stands as the symbol for Edinburgh Flying Post; but in the next four issues E. P. is identified as the Exeter Flying Post. No advertisements from an Exeter Flying Post are actually cited in the Public Ledger in 1760.
No copy found.

54. The Exeter Chronicle: or, Universal Register.
[No. 1 (15 Sep ? 1760)]—no. 32 (10 Apr 1761)—?
Fri; 8 pp.
[Under title]: Printed by J. Spencer, in Gandy's Lane;

Press Club: no. 32 (10 Apr 1761).

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55. Gloucester Journal. With the most material Foreign Advices, And the largest Account of Home News. [From 28 Jan 1723]: Gloucester Journal. With the most Material News, Foreign and Domestic. [From 6 Apr 1724]:
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The Gloucester Journal. With the most Material News Foreign and Domestic [from 7 Jun 1726 to 4 Jul 1727, ... Domestick]. [From 14 Nov 1727]: The Gloucester Journal. With the most Material Occurrences Foreign and Domestic [from 3 Aug 1736, ... Domestick]. [From 4 Sep 1739]: The Gloucester Journal. [From 16 Apr 1754]: The Gloucester Journal.

No. 1 (9 Apr [1722])—vol. XXXIX, no. 2014 (30 Dec 1760), +.

Mon; from 30 Nov 1725, Tue; 6 pp.; from 3 May 1725, 4 pp.; 2 cols.; from 6 Sep 1725, 3 cols.

Gloucester: Printed by R. Raikes and W. Dicey, over-against the Swann-Inn; ... [From 11 Feb 1723]: Gloucester: Printed by R. Raikes and W. Dicey, in the South-gate Street, ... [From 17 Sep 1725]: Gloucester, Printed by R. Raikes, ... [From 16 Aug 1743]: Gloucester: Printed by R. Raikes, in the Black-Fryars. ... [No. 1833 (12 Jul 1757]: Gloucester: Printed by R. Raikes, Jun. in the Black-Fryars, ... [From 19 Jul 1757]: Gloucester: Printed by R. Raikes, in the Blackfryars, ... [From 22 Aug 1758]: Gloucester: Printed by R. Raikes, in the Southgate-Street, ...

Gloucester Public Library: no. 1 (9 Apr [1722]) to vol. XXXIX, no. 2014 (30 Dec 1760), +.

Bristol Reference Library: vol. VI, no. 307 (20 Feb 1728) to vol. XVI, no. 820 (17 Jan 1738), inc.; vol. XVIII, no. 922 (1 Jan 1740) to vol. XIX, no. 947 (24 Jun 1740); vol. XXVI, no. 1334 (1 Dec 1747); vol. XXXV, no. 1768 (13 Apr 1756).

Bath Municipal Library: vol. XXXIV, no. 1763 (9 Mar 1756) to vol. XXXV, no. 1789 (7 Sep 1756), ten issues.

Bodleian Library: vol. II, no. 98 (17 Feb 1724).

British Museum: vol. IV, no. 195 (28 Dec 1725); vol. V, no. 228 (16 Aug 1726) to vol. XV, no. 735 (25 May 1736), inc.; vol. XXIII, nos. 1165 (28 Aug 1744) to 1194
(19 Mar 1745), four issues only; vol. XXVIII, no. 1420 (25 Jul 1749) to vol. XXX, no. 1502 (9 April 1751), inc.; vol. XXXI, nos. 1573 (18 Aug 1752) and 1593 (16 Jan 1753); vol. XXXV, no. 1772 (11 May 1756) to vol. XXXVII, no. 1895 (19 Sep 1758), inc.


Private library of Sydney R. Turner, Esq., Cheam: vol. XIII, no. 670 (25 Feb 1735); vol. XXXII, nos. 1617 (3 Jul 1753) to 1619 (17 Jul 1753) and 1626 (4 Sep 1753).

The Library Company of Philadelphia: vol. VII, nos. 331 (6 Aug 1728) to 335 (3 Sep 1728); vol. VIII, no. 410 (10 Feb 1730); vol. IX, nos. 449 (17 Nov 1730) to 482 (16 Feb 1731), six issues only; vol. X, no. 501 (16 Nov 1731) to vol. XI, no. 566 (20 Feb 1733), inc.

HALIFAX

56. The Union Journal: or, Halifax Advertiser.
No. 1 (6 Feb 1759)—vol. II, no. 84 (9 Sep 1760).

Halifax: Printed by P. Darby, . . .

Manuscript note by Ja[me]s Cropley in a copy at York Minster Library indicates that the Rev. John Watson, M.A., "performed, when Curate of Ripponden, the Editorial Duties in relation to the Newspaper."

Halifax Public Library: prospectus; vol. I, nos. 11 (17 Apr 1759) and 14 (8 May 1759); vol. II, no. 76 (15 Jul 1760).

Bankfield Museum, Halifax: vol. I, nos. 2 (13 Feb 1759) to 5 (6 Mar 1759); nos. 7 (20 Mar 1759) to 44 (4 Dec
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1759); no. 46 (19 Dec 1759); vol. II, nos. 49 (8 Jan 1760) to 73 (24 Jun 1760); no. 77 (23 Jul 1760); no. 78 (30 Jul 1760).

York Minster Library: vol. I, no. 1 (6 Feb 1759), to vol. II, no. 84 (9 Sep 1760), two sets.

HEREFORD


[No. 1 (26 June ? 1739)]—no. 12 (11 Sep 1739)—?

Tue.

Hereford: Printed by Willoughby Smith in By-Street, . . . .


HULL

58. The Hull Courant.

[No. 1 (24 Nov 1739)]—no. 368 (19 Aug 1746)—no. 518 (11 Aug 1749)—1750.

Tue; by 22 Jan 1748, Fri.

Printed by J. Rawson, at the Star in Lowgate: . . .

Note in the York Courant, no. [1294] (31 Jul 1750), begins, "Such Persons as used to take in the HULL JOURNAL, or the HULL COURANT, both which are now no longer printed, . . . ."
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Kingston-upon-Hull Central Library: no. 368 (19 Aug 1746); no. 441 (22 Jan 1748); no. 442 (29 Jan 1748); no. 496 (17 Feb 1749); no. 502 (6 Apr [sic] 1749); no. 503 (14 Apr 1749); no. 510 (9 Jun 1749); no. 512 (23 Jun 1749); nos. 514 (7 Jul 1749) to 518 (11 Aug 1749).


59. The Hull Journal.

?—1750.

Note in the York Courant, no. [1294] (31 Jul 1750), begins, "Such Persons as used to take in the HULL JOURNAL, or the HULL COURANT, both which are now no longer printed, . . ."

No copy found.

60. The Hull Courant.

[No. 1 (7 Oct ? 1755)]—no. 34 (25 May 1756)—no. 183 (20 Mar 1759)—?

Tue.

Hull, Printed by J. Rawson, in Lowgate, . . .

Kingston-upon-Hull Central Library: no. 34 (25 May 1756); no. 107 (13 Sep 1757); no. 119 (6 Dec 1757); no. 183 (20 Mar 1759).

Berrow's Newspapers, Ltd., Worcester: no. 34 (25 May 1756).

IPSWICH

61. The Ipswich-Journal, or, The Weekly Mercury. With the Freshest Advices Foreign and Domestick. [From 22 Apr 1721 con. as]: The Ipswich Journal, or, Weekly-Mercury:
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With the Freshest Advices Foreign and Domestick. [By 27 Jan 1733 con. as]: The Ipswich Gazette.

[No. 1 (20 Aug ? 1720)]—no. 14 (19 Nov 1720)—no. 902 (26 Nov 1737)—?

Sat; from 24 Sep 1736, Fri; 6 pp.; by 10 June 1727, 4 pp.; 2 cols.; by 26 Nov 1737, 3 cols.


Ipswich Central Library: no. 19 (24 Dec 1720), def.; no. 20 (31 Dec 1720); no. 22 (14 Jan 1721); no. 24 (28 Jan 1721); no. 25 (4 Feb 1721), def.; no. 31 (18 Mar 1721); nos. 466 (19 Jul 1729) to 557 (17 Apr 1731), lacking one issue; vol. XV, no. 740 (19 Oct 1734) to vol. XVII, no. 855 (31 Dec 1736), lacking twelve issues; vol. XVII, no. 858 (21 Jan 1737); vol. XVIII, no. 902 (26 Nov 1737).

Norwich Public Library: no. 400 (13 Apr 1728).

Cambridge University Library: no. 504 (11 April 1730).

British Museum: nos. 14 (19 Nov 1720), def., to 52 (12 Aug 1721); nos. 356 (10 Jun 1727) to 454 (26 Apr 1729), lacking four issues; no. 504 (11 Apr 1730), fac.; vol. XIII, no. 650 (27 Jan 1733) to vol. XVI, no. 854 (24 Dec 1736), inc.

62. The Ipswich Weekly Mercury.

[No. 1 (22 Feb 1735)]—?

Sat.
Date, imprint, and an advertisement were quoted by G. R. Clarke, *The History and Description of the Town and Borough of Ipswich*. . . (Ipswich: Piper; and London: Hurst, Chance, [1830]), p. 215.

Ipswich: Printed by T. Norris, in the Cross Key Street, near the Great White Horse Corner, . . .

No copy found.

63. The Ipswich Journal.

No. 1 (17 Feb 1739)—no. 1146 (27 Dec 1760), + .

Sat.

Ipswich: Printed for W. Craighton, Bookseller near the Butter-Market; And Sold by Mr. Watson, Bookseller in Bury; and Mr. Kendall, Bookseller in Colchester; . . . [From 1 Jan 1743]: Ipswich: Printed for W. Craighton; and Sold by S. Watson, Bookseller in Bury; J. Kendall, Bookseller in Colchester; W. Eaton, Bookseller in Yarmouth; and J. Gleed, Bookseller in Norwich: . . . [From 12 Jan 1745]: Ipswich: Printed for W. Craighton.

Ipswich Central Library: nos. 1 (17 Feb 1739) to 1146 (27 Dec 1760), + .

Colchester Public Library: nos. 7 (31 Mar 1739) to 42 (1 Dec 1739), lacking five issues; nos. 569 (6 Jan 1750) to 620 (29 Dec 1750), lacking one issue; nos. 724 (6 Jan 1753) to 778 (5 Jan 1754), lacking three issues; nos. 788 (16 Mar 1754) to 831 (11 Jan 1755); nos. 837 (22 Feb 1755) to Sep, 1760, many duplicates.

Cambridge University Library: no. 724 (6 Jan 1753); no. 944 (12 Feb 1757); no. 966 (16 Jul 1757); no. 968 (30 Jul 1757); no. 969 (6 Aug 1757).

British Museum: nos. 1 (17 Feb 1739) to 106 (21 Feb 1741); nos. 203 (1 Jan 1743) to 461 (12 Dec 1747), lacking two issues; nos. 517 (7 Jan 1749) to 671 (21 Dec 1751); nos. 768 (27 Oct 1753) to 1146 (27 Dec 1760, inc., + .

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Yale University Library: nos. 332 (22 Jun 1745) to 343 (1 Sep 1745); nos. 350 (26 Oct 1745) to 471 (20 Feb 1748), lacking eighteen issues; no. 479 (16 Apr 1748); nos. 482 (7 May 1748) to 593 (23 Jun 1750), lacking ten issues; nos. 1043 (6 Jan 1759) to 1146 (28 Dec 1760), lacking three issues.

Huntington Library: no. 705 (15 Aug 1752).

KENDAL

64. The Kendal Weekly Courant. Containing the most Material Advices, Both Foreign and Domestick.

[No. 1 (1 Jan ? 1732)]—no. 2 (8 Jan 1732)—no. 240 (14 Aug 1736)—Dec ? 1736.

Kendal: Printed and Sold, by Thomas Cotton, . . .

Cotton began to print a newspaper in Whitehaven by mid-December, 1736.

Kendal Public Library: nos. 2 (8 Jan 1732) to 51 (16 Dec 1732).


65. The Kendal Weekly Mercury. Containing the most material Advices both Foreign and Domestick.

[No. 1 (8 Feb ? 1735)]—no. 13 (3 May 1735)—no. 429 (19 Mar 1743)—no. 90 [sic] (26 Sep. 1747)—?

Printed by Thomas Ashburner, in the Fish Market in Kendal, . . . [By 5 Nov 1737]: Kendal, Printed by Thomas Ashburner, Book-Seller in the Fish-Market,

Kendal Public Library: no. 13 (3 May 1735), fac.; no. 149 (5 Nov 1737).
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"Town End," (National Trust), Troutbeck, Windermere: no. 90 (26 Sep 1747).
British Museum: no. 13 (3 May 1735), fac.

LEEDS


Tue; 12 pp.; from 27 Apr 1725, 4 pp.; single col.; from 27 Apr 1725, 2 cols.; by 24 Oct 1732, 3 cols.

By 18 Apr 1721: Leeds, Printed and Sold by John Hirst, over against Kirkgate-end, Mr. Penrose and Mr. Swale, Booksellers in Leeds, Mr. Dyson Bookseller in Halifax, Mrs. Bartlett and Mr. Preston in Bradford, Mr. Darley in Ripley, Mr. Austin Bookseller in Rippon, and at his Shop in Richmond, Mr. Smirk Livery-Lace-Weaver in Manchester, Mr. Joseph Lacock, Cutter in Wetherby, Mr. Hodgson Clockmaker in Skipton, Mr. Robert Barugh Grocer and Mercer in Otley, and Mr. Hepworth Post-Master, in Pontefract. . . . [Names added and changed in later issues.] [From 20 Feb 1733]: Leeds: Printed and Sold by the Executors of John Hirst, . . . [By 16 Aug 1737]: Leeds: Printed by James Lister in New-Street, . . . [By 10 Mar 1741]: Leeds: Printed by James Lister,
Evidence for beginning is the statement in Sir Edward Baines, *The Life of Edward Baines, Late M. P. for the Borough of Leeds* (London: Longman, Brown, Green, and Longmans, 1851), p. [37]: “The Leeds Mercury was one of the oldest of the provincial newspapers, having been originally established in May, 1718, by John Hirst. The earliest numbers known to be in existence are from November 10, 1719, to November 1, 1720, in the possession of the author.”

The death of John Hirst, “Master of the Printing Office in this Town,” on 20 February 1733, was announced in the *Leeds Mercury*, no. 402 (27 Feb 1733). This statement followed:

> We have only further to add, that the Care of the *Leeds Mercury*, &c. (which has met with so kind a Reception from the World) is committed to skilful Hands; and will be continued, as usually, for the Benefit of his Children, who are all Minors, and Orphans of tender Age. This we are advised to represent to the Readers of the *Leeds Mercury*, hoping they will be pleased to take it in, as formerly; and thereby improve their Kindness shown to the Father, by their Continuance of it to his Children, into a Christian Vertue.

This announcement appeared in the *Leedes Intelligencer*, no. 52 (24 Jun 1755):

> Last Tuesday died, after a tedious Illness, The Leedes Mercury, aged 1816 Weeks. He has left the Good-will of his Circuit, which is very considerable, to the York Courant.

Extracts selected by G. D. Lumb from the *Leeds Mercury* in the period 1721-51 were printed in volumes XXII, XXIV, XXVI, XXVIII, and XXXIII of *Publications of the Thoresby Society: Miscellanea*. 

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Leeds Reference Library: vol. III, no. 50 (18 Apr 1721); vol. VI, no. 23 (8 Oct 1723); no. 46 (17 Mar 1724); no. 188 (3 Dec 1728); no. 384 (24 Oct 1732); no. 393 (26 Dec 1732); no. 395 (9 Jan 1733); nos. 401 (20 Feb 1733) to 403 (6 Mar 1733); no. 557 (7 Sep 1736); nos. 609 (16 Aug 1737) to 750 (24 Jun 1740), many duplicates; no. 777 (23 Dec 1740); nos. 804 (7 Jul 1741) to 1028 (25 Jun 1745), nearly complete; no. 1072 (25 Feb 1746); nos. 1264 (1 Aug 1749) to 1580 (11 Jun 1751); nos. 1518 [sic] (18 Jun 1751) to 1524 (30 Jul 1751); no. (?) (3 Jul 1753).

York Minster Library: vol. IV, no. 29 (21 Nov 1721) to vol. VI, no. 29 (19 Nov 1723); nos. 1 (27 Apr 1725) to 338 (7 Dec 1731); nos. 498 (7 Jan 1735) to 545 (8 Jun 1736); nos. 547 (22 Jun 1736) to 722 (11 Dec 1739), many duplicates; no. 729 (29 Jan 1740); nos. 743 (6 May 1740) to 788 (17 Mar 1741), fifteen issues only; nos. 858 (13 Jul 1742) to 884 (11 Jan 1743), lacking seven issues.

Cambridge University Library: no. 321 (10 Aug 1731); nos. 324 (31 Aug 1731) to 327 (21 Sep 1731); no. 331 (19 Oct 1731); no. 332 (26 Oct 1731).

Private library of Kenneth Monkman, Esq., London: nos. 724 (25 Dec 1739) to 726 (8 Jan 1740).

67. The Leedes Intelligencer.

No. 1 (2 Jul 1754)—no. 349 (30 Dec 1760), + .

Tue.

[Imprint, 2 Jul 1754]: Printed by Griffith Wright, in the Lower Head-Row. [Colophon, 2 Jul 1754]: This Paper may be had of Mr. Stringer, Bookseller in Wakefield; Mr. Scolfield, Bookseller in Rochdale; Mr. Edwards, Bookseller in Halifax; Mr. William Pullen, in Bradford; Mr. Hirstwood in Ripponden; Mr. Nathaniel Binns, Bookseller in Halifax, and at his Shops at Huddersfield and Eland; Mr. Robert Richardson, Grocer in Otley;
They will be sent also by the York, Tadcaster, Knaresbro', Weatherby, Pontefract, Barnsley, Doncaster, and Skipton Carriers;—And delivered at any Place according to Directions. [From 21 Oct 1755]: Printed by Griffith Wright, at New-Street-End [colophon gives large number of distributors]; [From 6 Jun 1758]: . . . and the Paper may be had of the following Persons, viz. Mr. Scolfield, in Rochdale. Mr. Edwards and Mr. Binns, in Halifax. Mr. Horsfall, in Huddersfield. Mr. Wilkinson, in Elland. Mr. Hirstwood, in Ripponden. Mr. Pullan, in Bradford. Mr. William Spencer, in the Road to, and at Skipton. Mr. Barugh, in Otley. Mrs. Lord, Mr. Meggit, and Mr. Stringer, in Wakefield. Mr. Lund, in Pontefract. Mr. Bent, and Mr. Smith, in Barnsley. Mr. Ellis, in Rotherham. Mr. Welch, in Sheffield. Mr. Parker, in Keighley. Mr. King, the C[oln]-Carrier. Mr. Berry, in Manchester. Mr. Williams, at the Chapter Coffee-House, London. And of the News-Men.

Extracts selected by Charles S. Rooke from the first four volumes (1754-58) of the *Leedes Intelligencer* were printed in *Publications of the Thoresby Society: Miscellanea*, IV (1895), [226]-44.

Leeds Reference Library: no. 1 (2 Jul 1754); no. 49 (3 Jun 1755); vol. III, nos. 132 (4 Jan 1757) to 140 (1 Mar 1757); nos. 142 (15 Mar 1757) to 154 (7 Jun 1757); no. 155 (14 Jun 1757), pp. 1-2 only; nos. 156 (21 Jun 1757) to vol. VI, no. 296 (25 Dec 1759).

Brotherton Library, University of Leeds: nos. 2 (9 Jul 1754) to 79 (30 Dec 1755), lacking six issues; nos. 106 (6 Jul 1756) to 349 (30 Dec 1760), inc., some def., ++ .

Office of the Conservative Newspaper Company, Leeds: no. 59 (12 Aug 1755), def., to no. 101 (1 Jun 1756), lacking five issues and two pages of nine others; vol. VI, nos. 271 (3 Jul 1759) to 322 (24 Jun 1760).

British Museum: vol. IV, no. 183 (3 Jan 1758); vol. V, nos. 223 (10 Oct 1758) and 228 (14 Nov 1758).
LEICESTER

68. Leicester Journal. [By 8 Nov 1755 con. as]: The Leicester and Nottingham Journal.

[No. 1 (5 May ? 1753)]—no. 132 (8 Nov 1755)—no. 399 (27 Dec 1760), + .

Sat.

Printed for J. Gregory, Bookseller, in Leicester; and S. Creswell, Bookseller, in Nottingham . . . [By 7 Jan 1758]: Leicester: Printed by J. Gregory, in the Market-Place; . . .

It is stated by W. J. Clarke in Early Nottingham Printers and Printing (Nottingham: Forman, 1942), p. 23, that in Nottingham, on 1 September 1753, Samuel Creswell was “summoned to appear before the Magistrates for selling the Leicester Journal” but was “let off with a reprimand.” For a contemporary account of the incident, see above, pages 58-59.

A notice in no. 132 (8 Nov 1755) begins thus:

John Gregory of Leicester, and Samuel Creswell of Nottingham, Printers: Take this Method of acquainting the Public that by the Advice of their Friends, they have lately enter’d into Partnership in the Mystery of Printing, and that they are determined to publish this Weekly Paper early every Saturday Morning, at their respective Shops in Leicester and Nottingham . . .

Office of the Leicester Mercury: microfilm of nos. 297 (6 Jan 1759) to 399 (27 Dec 1760), lacking six issues, + .

Nottingham Reference Library: no. 132 (8 Nov 1755).
University of Nottingham Library: nos. 246 (7 Jan 1758) to 284 (30 Sep 1758), lacking eleven issues; no. 303 [sic] (18 Nov 1758); no. 295 (23 Dec 1758); no. 393 (8 Nov 1760); no. 397 (6 Dec 1760), + .
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Office of the *Nottingham Guardian-Journal*: no. 255 (11 Mar 1758); no. 386 (20 Sep 1760).

British Museum: microfilm of nos. 297 (6 Jan 1759) to 399 (27 Dec 1760), lacking six issues, + .

LEWES

69. The Sussex Weekly Advertiser, or Lewes Journal.

[No. 1 (9 June ? 1746)]—no. 5 (7 Jul 1746)—no. 757 (29 Dec 1760), + .

Mon.

Lewes: Printed by E. Verral and W. Lee, . . . [From 24 Feb 1752]: Lewes: Printed by W. Lee, . . . [with list of wares sold by E. Verral].

Sussex Archaeological Society: no. 5 (7 Jul 1746).

Private library of Rev. Douglas G. Matthews, Hailsham, Sussex: no. 515 (10 May 1756); no. 517 (24 May 1756); no. 520 (14 Jun 1756); nos. 523 (5 Jul 1756) to 535 (27 Sep 1756); nos. 537 (11 Oct 1756) to 757 (29 Dec 1760), + .

Brighton Public Library: no. 157 (19 Jun 1749); no. 172 (2 Oct 1749); no. 184 (25 Dec 1749); no. 249 (25 Mar 1751); no. 297 (24 Feb 1752); no. 308 (11 May 1752); no. 329 (16 Oct 1752); no. 336 (4 Dec 1752); nos. 625 (19 Jun 1758) to 755 (15 Dec 1760), thirty-five issues only, + .

London Library: no. 36 (16 Feb 1747); no. 37 (23 Feb 1747); no. 41 (23 Mar 1747); no. 44 (13 Apr 1747); no. 45 (20 Apr 1747); no. 284 (25 Nov 1751).

Yale University Library: no. 470 (30 Jun 1755).
LINCOLN

70. The Lincoln Gazette, or Weekly-Intelligencer.

—[vol. I, no. 45 (23 Oct 1729)]—?

Printed for William Wood, Bookseller, at his office in
Lincoln; where Advertisements are taken in, and care­
fully inserted.

Thu; 8 pp.

Nos. 14, 44, and 45 are described in notes by C. L. Exley
(Lincolnshire Archives Office, Exchequer Gate, Lincoln).

No copies found.

71. Lincoln Journal.

[No. 1 (4 Aug ? 1744)]—?

Sat.

[Lincoln: Printed] by William Wood. Of whom may be had all Sorts of Blank Warrants, . . .

Listed in manuscript notes by John B. King (MS. U.P. 1844 in Lincoln Public Library).

Lincoln Public Library: fragment (3rd and 4th pages) of an issue which may be no. 16 (17 Nov 1744).

LIVERPOOL

72. The Leverpoole Courant, being an Abstract of the London and other News.

[No. 1 (13 May ? 1712)]—[no. 18 (18 July 1712)]—
[nos. [?] (13 Nov 1712)]—?

Tue and Fri; by 13 Nov 1712, Thu; 2 pp.; 2 cols. [?]
Leverpoole: Printed by S. Terry, in Dale Street, where all persons willing to subscribe, by sending their Names and Places of Abode may be constantly served herewith every Tuesday and Friday morning.

No. 18 is described and quoted by (a) Henry Smithers, *Liverpool, its Commerce, Statistics, and Institutions, with a History of the Cotton Trade* (Liverpool: Thos. Kaye, 1825), p. 321; (b) the *Liverpool Mercury* (10 Feb 1837); (c) Richard Brooke, *Liverpool as it was during the last quarter of the eighteenth century, 1775 to 1800* (Liverpool: Mawdsley, 1853), p. 92; and (d) Arthur C. Wardle, "Some Glimpses of Liverpool during the First Half of the Eighteenth Century," *Transactions of the Historic Society of Lancashire and Cheshire*, XCVII (1945), 146. It has been stated by J. A. Picton, "Early Printing in Lancashire," *Notes and Queries*, 5th ser., III (20 Feb 1875), 147, that in *A True and Impartial Account of the Election of the Representatives in Parliament, for the Corporation and Borough of Liverpoole, in the County Palatine of Lancaster, October the 16th, 1710* (published anonymously in London in 1710) there was a reference to "a Liverpool newspaper (name not given)"); but the only mention of a newspaper in that pamphlet is the statement, "The News Paper return'd them [candidates for election] thus . . . ." The reference was probably to a London newspaper; the passage cannot be taken as evidence that a local newspaper was being published in Liverpool as early as 1710.

No copy found.

73. Williamson's Liverpool Advertiser. And Mercantile Register. [From 7 Sep 1759 con. as]: Williamson's Liverpool Advertiser, and Mercantile Chronicle.


Fri.
Liverpool: Printed by R. Williamson, Bookseller and Printer, near the Exchange, . . . [From 10 Sep 1756]: Liverpool: Printed by R. Williamson, Bookseller and Printer, at the Circulating Library, near the Exchange, . . .

Under the title in early issues: This Paper is circulated through London, Bristol, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Dublin, Cork, Hull, Scarborough, Whitehaven, Chester, Lancaster, Manchester, Warrington, Preston, Blackburn, Bolton, Kendal, Shrewsbury, Wrexham, Flint, Denbigh, Northwich, the adjacent Neighbourhood, and many other Capital Places in Great-Britain, Ireland, and the Isle of Man.

"Extraordinary" issues were published occasionally.

Liverpool Reference Library: vol. I, no. 1 (28 May 1756) to vol. V, no. 51 (26 Dec 1760), including six "extraordinary" issues, + .

York Public Library: vol. III, no. 119 (1 Sep 1758).


Fri.

Subscriptions and Advertisements are taken in by the Publishers, R. Fleetwood, Bookseller, near the Exchange; R. Robinson, Broker; G. Parker, at the Toy-shop in Castle-street; and J. Sadler, Printer, . . . [Note in no. 29 (18 Nov 1757)]: Mr. Sadler, being engaged in the Enamelling Tiles, &c, has declined the Printing this Paper, in favour of Mr. Owen, by whom it will be done for the future: But he will continue the Printing Business in all the Branches as heretofore, (except the News-Paper) and hopes a continuance of favours from his Friends. [Imprint of no. 30 (25 Nov 1757)]: Subscriptions and Advertisements are taken in by G. Parker, in Castle-street, and E. Owen, Printer in Moore-street.
Advertisements are also taken in by R. Fleetwood, Bookseller, near the Exchange. [By no. 36 (6 Jan 1758) the names in the imprint are G. Parker and J. Sadler, Printer, in Herrington-street.]

Under the date line of earliest issues: This Paper is circulated thro' Lancashire, Cheshire, Shropshire, great Part of Wales, the Isle of Man, &c. and sent Gratis to the principal Coffee-houses and Taverns in London, Bristol, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Dublin, Corke, Whitehaven, York, Leeds, Hull, Birmingham, and other capital Towns.

An "extraordinary" issue was published on Saturday, 17 [i.e. 16] June 1759.

Liverpool Reference Library: nos. 1 (6 May 1757) to 121 (24 Aug 1759), including "extraordinary" issue dated 17 June 1759, but lacking eleven issues.

LONDON

75. The Shropshire Journal, with the History of the Holy Bible.

[No. 1 (19 Dec 1737)]—[no. 73 (12 Feb 1739)]—?

Mon.

London: Printed by R. Walker, in Fleet Lane. Of whom, and of the Person who serves this Paper may be had the former Numbers to complete Sets [i.e. sets of the detachable supplement, The History of the Holy Bible].

Title and imprint of no. 73 from W. E. A. Axon, "Shropshire Newspaper Printed in London," Notes and Queries, ser. 11, II (1910), 26. The first seventy-two issues were described briefly by Charles Hulbert in the Salopian Magazine, I (1815), 452, note. Both these
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articles are cited by Llewelyn C. Lloyd in "The Book-Trade in Shropshire," Transactions of the Shropshire Archaeological and Natural History Society, XLVIII (1936), 91 f. Note Walker's other newspapers printed in London for distribution in Warwickshire and Staffordshire (item 6 in this Register), in Derbyshire (item 76), in Northamptonshire (item 78), in Lancashire (item 86), and in various provincial areas (item 77).

No copy found.

76. The Derbyshire Journal with the History of the Holy Bible.
[No. 1 (24 May 1738)]—no. 2 (31 May 1738)---?

Wed.

London: Printed by R. Walker, the Corner of Seacoal Lane, next Fleet Lane. . . .

No. 2 has ad. of Dr. Friend's Balsam, "sold . . . Mr. Unwin, Printer at Leicester; and Mr. Akers printer in Maidstone; They may also be had of . . . the Printer of this Paper in London; . . . They may likewise be had of the Persons who serve Reading, Newbury, Henly, Wallingford, Abingdon, Oxford, Warwick and Coventry with this Paper."

Derby Borough Library: no. 2 (31 May 1738).


Although this newspaper was printed in London, it is included in this Register of provincial papers because it was obviously intended to circulate in various parts of the country, and in some cases (see items 6, 75, 76, 78, 86 in this Register) the title was altered to suit the particular areas of England to which the papers were sent. The issues entitled The London and Country
Journal, with or without subtitle, are here brought together as one item, but it is possible to distinguish several series, each with separate serial numbering, each differing slightly in substance from the others issued a day or two earlier or later. Some issues of the same date and serial number differ significantly in contents. There was a Tuesday series, which began in January, 1739; four months later, a Wednesday series began; and then or shortly afterwards, a Thursday series began. By August, 1740, there were two series of Wednesday issues and two series of Thursday issues. A notice in no. 19 (Thu, 27 Sep 1739) indicates that a Friday series was started at that time:

These are to certify all the Customers to this Work, that these Books which have been used to be published on the Wednesday and Thursday, will for the future be publish’d on Thursday and Friday, on which Days our Customers may depend of [sic] having them carefully delivered as usual.

The reference to “these Books” is not to the newspaper as such but to the accompanying supplements. A new series of Friday issues appeared in 1742.

It appears that each series was intended to circulate in a different section of England. Notices printed in early issues of the first Wednesday series indicate that special efforts were made to distribute it in Bristol and Bath, in spite of opposition from Sam. Farley. No. 3 (Wed, 6 Jun 1739) and following issues have this announcement:

Note. All Persons who are desirous to take in the London and Country Journal with the History of the Holy Bible, or the Reign of King Charles I. &c. are desired to apply to Jos. Collett, at the Sign of the Star and Stays on Phillips-Plain, Bristol, and they may depend upon having them carefully delivered at their own Houses, or where they shall think fit; I being settled in Bristol on purpose to serve this City and Bath.

Jos. Collett.
No. 5 (20 Jun 1739) adds this statement by the London proprietor himself:

Whereas the Printers of the Bristol Journal have industriously propagated many scandalous Falsities against the Performance of this Work, and to Me the Printer thereof, in order to prejudice the Sale in these Parts; only because it meets with a kind Encouragement suitable to its Worth and Usefulness; this is publish'd to satisfy all Persons who are my Subscribers, that this very valuable Work has been publish'd and finish'd in London, where it met with a good Reception, and likewise in several other Parts of this Kingdom, and I do promise to continue the same to the End, according to my printed Proposals, with the strictest Honour and Punctuality, notwithstanding what such envious Snarlers may say to the contrary; and the Publick may always depend on whatever Books I send into the Country, that I shall be always punctual in what I promise.

R. Walker.

No copy of Sam. Farley's Bristol Newspaper of June, 1739, has survived, but the nature of the accusations brought therein against Walker may be judged from the declarations in the letter printed in the London and Country Journal, no. 7 (4 Jul 1739):

There is lately come to my Hand a Paper published by the Bristol Printer, full of Lies and bare-faced Impudence, which I shall take a proper Time to answer; and if he was a Man of any Worth, or Character, sue him for what he has falsely asserted, in saying such Things of Me, which is not in his Power, or any other Man, to prove against me. But I don't much wonder at such a Man's Impudence, who has had the Front to assert, that he will make, or cause to be made, Affidavit of my being in Bristol lately, and of what I said there, in relation to my Country Customers; which are notorious Falsities, for I never was at Bristol nor Bath in my Life; but will speedily be there; and answer whatever such an invidious Fellow will say to me. As to what he charges me with in calling my Customers Country
Flats, I absolutely declare it to be false; for I never heard of that Expression, till I had it from the Bristol Printer. And I do likewise assure the Publick, that I will speedily print a News Paper in Bristol, as large as that already published by Mr. Farley, and with the freshest Intelligence, at the Price of Three Half-pence, that the Country may see how they have been imposed on by such a Fellow, in giving Two-Pence for a Newspaper only, when it may very well be afforded for Three Half-pence; and take this Opportunity of returning Thanks to my Subscribers, hoping for a Continuation of their Custom, as I shall make it my constant Endeavour to please.

R. Walker

N.B. Next Week I will lay before the Publick the whole Affair; to shew the Design of Farley [printed Forley], and his Block-headed Agent Astley the Bookseller, the pretended fair Trader.

But the following week Walker was “obliged to go into the Country” because of “an unforeseen Accident” and he could not take time to answer Farley’s “scurrilous Advertisement,” nor did Walker’s paper take up the quarrel again. Perhaps he let Jos. Collett carry on the dispute. In any case it is clear that the earlier Wednesday series of Walker’s paper was intended for distribution in the Bristol area.

(a) The Tuesday series (titles as above):
[No. 1 (2 Jan ? 1739)]—no. 8 (20 Feb 1739)—no. 149 (3 Nov 1741)—no. 1 (10 Nov 1741)—no. 7 (22 Dec 1741)—?

London, Printed by R. Walker, in Fleet Lane.
British Museum: nos. 8 (20 Feb 1739) to 30 (24 Jul 1739); nos. 34 (21 Aug 1739) to 147 (20 Oct 1741); no. 149 (3 Nov 1741); nos. 1 (10 Nov 1741) to 7 (22 Dec 1741).

(b) The earlier Wednesday series:
[No. 1 (23 May ? 1739)]—no. 3 (6 June 1739)—no. 122 (16 Sep 1741)—?
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London, Printed by R. Walker, in Fleet Lane.
British Museum: nos. 3 (6 Jun 1739) to 22 (10 Oct 1739), with several duplicates.
Library of Congress: nos. 18 (19 Sep 1739) to 33 (2 Jan 1740); nos. 35 (16 Jan 1740) to 122 (16 Sep 1741).
(c) The later Wednesday series:
[No. 1 (23 Jul ? 1740)]—no. 3 (6 Aug 1740)—no. 100 (16 Jun 1742)—?
London, Printed by R. Walker, in Fleet Lane.
Birmingham Public Library: no. 3 (6 Aug 1740).
Yale University: nos. 10 (24 Sep 1740) to 12 (8 Oct 1740); no. 27 (21 Jan 1741); no. 74 [sic, for 82] (10 Feb 1742); no. 100 (16 Jun 1742).
New York Public Library: no. 27 (21 Jan 1741); pages 3 and 4 of two other issues.
(d) The earlier Thursday series:
[No. 1 (24 May ? 1739)]—no. 3 (7 Jun 1739)—no. 142 (4 Feb 1742)—?
London, Printed by R. Walker, in Fleet Lane.
British Museum: nos. 3 (7 Jun 1739) to 47 (10 Apr 1740); nos. 49 (24 Apr 1740) to 67 (28 Aug 1740); nos. 69 (11 Sep 1740) to 142 (4 Feb 1742).
(e) The later Thursday series:
[No. 1 (24 Jul ? 1740)]—no. 15 (30 Oct 1740)—no. 138 (10 Mar 1743)—?
London, Printed by R. Walker in Fleet-Lane.
University of Reading: no. 18 (20 Nov 1740).
Bodleian Library: no. 15 (30 Oct 1740); no. 18 (20 Nov 1740); no. 22 (18 Dec 1740); no. 24 (1 Jan 1741); no. 28 (29 Jan 1741); no. 30 (12 Feb 1741); no. 35 (19 Mar 1741); no. 38 (9 Apr 1741); no. 62 (24 Sep 1741); no. 68 (5 Nov 1741); no. 72 (3 Dec 1741); no. 73 (10 Dec 1741); no. 76 (31 Dec. 1741); no. 83 (18 Feb 1742); no. 89 (1 Apr 1742).
Yale University: nos. 13 (16 Oct 1740) to 19 (27 Nov 1740); nos. 21 (11 Dec 1740) to 26 (15 Jan 1741); no. 29 (5 Feb 1741); nos. 34 (12 Mar 1741), def., to 49 (25 Jun 1741), def.; nos. 50 (2 Jul 1741) to 55 (6 Aug 1741), def.; nos. 56 (13 Aug 1741) to 58 (27 Aug 1741); nos. 60 (10 Sep 1741) to 81 (4 Feb 1742); nos. 83 (18 Feb 1742) to 91 (15 Apr 1742), def.; nos. 92 (22 Apr 1742) to 95 (13 May 1742); nos. 97 (27 May 1742) to 99 (10 Jun 1742); nos. 102 (1 Jul 1742) to 138 (10 Mar 1743), even-numbered issues only.

(f) The Friday series:
[No. 1 (13 Nov ? 1741)]—no. 32 (18 Jun 1742)—no. 33 (25 Jun 1742)—?
London Printed by R. Walker in Fleet Lane.
The notice quoted above from no. 19 (Thu, 27 Sep 1739) suggests that there was a Friday issue of the paper at that time.
British Museum: no. 32 (18 Jun 1742); no. 33 (25 Jun 1742).

[No. 1 (?)]—no. [?] (19 Mar 1741)—?
Thu.
In the only issue found, dated 19 Mar 1741, at Northampton Public Library, the serial number and imprint have been trimmed off, but the letter press is identical with that of the London and Country Journal: with the History of the Old and New Testament, no. 116 (Tue, 17 Mar 1741), printed by Robert Walker of Fleet Lane, London, from the same setting of type. Only the top line of the title and the date line have been altered. Walker's Thursday edition of the London and Country Journal for that week is substantially the same, but there are changes in the news of the first column on the fourth page.
LUDLOW

79. The Ludlow Post-Man. or the Weekly Journal. Being a True and Impartial Collection of the most material Transactions, both at Home and Abroad.

No. 1 (9 Oct 1719)—no. 22 (4 Mar 1720)—?

Fri; 6 pp.; single col.

Ludlow: Printed by W. Parks [some issues have Parkes] . . .

British Museum: no. 1 (9 Oct 1719); no. 2 (16 Oct 1719); no. 7 (20 Nov 1719); no. 12 (25 Dec 1719); nos. 14 (8 Jan 1720) to 17 (29 Jan 1720); nos. 20 (19 Feb 1720) to 22 (4 Mar 1720).

MAIDSTONE

80. The Maidstone Mercury With the freshest Advices Foreign and Domestick.

[No. 1 (4 Mar ? 1725)]—no. 6 (22 Mar 1725)—no. 25 (27 May 1725)—?

Mon and Thu; 6 pp.; by 27 May 1725, 4 pp.; 2 cols.

[Colophon of no. 6 missing; colophon of no. 25]: Maidstone: Printed by J. Watson in High-Street, near the Little Conduit, . . .

Maidstone Museum: no. 25 (27 May 1725).

Press Club: no. 6 (22 Mar 1725).

81. The Maidstone Journal.

[No. 1 (22 Sep ? 1737)]—no. 3 (6 Oct 1737)—?
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Thu; 2 cols.

Maidstone: Printed by Jacob Ilive and John Akers, at the Printing-Office, at the Bible in East-lane, near the Fish-Cross, . . .

Maidstone Museum: no. 3 (6 Oct 1737).

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82. Manchester News-Letter, Containing the Freshest Advices, Both Foreign and Domestick. [From 20 Aug 1724 con. as]: The Manchester Weekly Journal, Containing the Freshest Advices, Both Foreign and Domestick. To be continued Weekly.

[No. 1 (Jan ? 1719)]—no. 291 (6 Aug 1724)—no. 325 (25 Mar 1725)—?

Thu; 12 pp.; 2 cols.

Manchester: Printed and sold by Roger Adams, at the lower End of the Smiby-door [sic, for Smithy-door] . . . .

Manchester Reference Library: no. 325 (25 Mar 1725), pages 1 to 8 only.

Harris Public Library, Preston: no. 304 (29 Oct 1724); no. 305 (5 Nov 1724); no. 307 (19 Nov 1724); no. 308 (26 Nov 1724); no. 310 (10 Dec 1724); no. 311 (17 Dec 1724); nos. 315 (14 Jan 1725) to 317 (28 Jan 1725); no. 319 (11 Feb 1725); no. 320 (18 Feb 1725), pp. 9 to 12 only.

All Souls' Library, Oxford: nos. 291 (6 Aug 1724) to 313 (31 Dec 1724).

83. The Manchester Gazette. [By 20 Dec 1737 con. as]: The Manchester Magazine. [By 2 Jan 1739 con. as]: Whit-
worth's Manchester Magazine: with the History of The Holy Bible. [By 24 Jun 1740 con. as]: The Manchester Magazine. [By 26 Dec 1752 con. as]: Whitworth's Manchester Magazine. [From 29 Apr 1755 con. as]: Whitworth's Manchester Magazine, or, Universal Advertiser. [From 9 Dec 1755 con. as]: Whitworth's Manchester Magazine, and Weekly Advertiser. [From 20 Jul 1756 con. as]: Whitworth's Manchester Advertiser, and Weekly Magazine.

[No. 1 (22 Dec 1730)]—no. 27 (20 Dec 1737)—no. 3414 (25 Mar 1760).

Tue.

Manchester: Printed by R. Whitworth, Bookseller at the Three Bibles over against the Corner of the Exchange near the Cross. [Note in no. 287 (20 Dec 1748)]: The Printer hereof is removed to a Shop betwixt the Angel and Bull's Head Inns. [Imprint in 1752]: Manchester: Printed by R. Whitworth, Bookseller, next the Angel. [Imprint in 1757]: Manchester: Printed by R. Whitworth, Bookseller, next the Bull's Head.


This note is in no. 462 (17 Dec 1745): "We have not published any News for a Fortnight."

Manchester Reference Library: no. 27 (20 Dec 1737); no. 94 (17 Oct 1738); no. 105 (2 Jan 1739); no. 107 (16 Jan 1739); no. 108 (23 Jan 1739); no. 111 (13 Feb 1739); no. 182 (24 Jun 1740); no. 201 (6 Jan 1741), and many issues to no. 364 (27 Dec 1743); nos. 428 (2 Apr 1745) to 1088 (31 Dec 1751), inc.; no. 1096 (25 Feb 1752); no. 1097 (3 Mar 1752); no. 3002 (26 Dec 1752); nos. 3076 (5 Feb 1754) to 3414 (25 Mar 1760), inc.

Central Library, Salford: no 230 (2 Jun 1741); no. 496 (20 Aug 1746); no. 1014 (27 Nov 1750).
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Press Club: no. 1058 (23 Jul 1751); no. 3175 (1 Nov 1757).

Private library of Sydney R. Turner, Esq., Cheam: no. 259 (29 Dec 1741); nos. 1023 (26 Feb 1751) to 1088 (31 Dec 1751), eleven issues only; nos. 3213 (11 Jan 1757) to 3170 [sic] (27 Sep 1757), ten issues only; nos. 3333 (20 Feb 1759) to 3383 (14 Aug 1759), seven issues only.

York Minster Library: nos. 3198 (24 Aug 1756) to 3183 [sic] (27 Dec 1757); nos. 3326 (2 Jan 1759) to 3413 (18 Mar 1760).

84. [Manchester Weekly Courant].

1732 ?—2 Jul 1733—?

Mon.

As Dr. Cranfield's Hand-list indicates, a Manchester Weekly Courant, dated 2 July 1733, was quoted in the Daily Courant (London), no. 5382 (7 Jul 1733). The following "Extract of a private Letter from Manchester, dated July 8, 1732," was printed in the Chester Weekly Journal, vol. XXXII, no. 3 (12 Jul 1732):

Sir, We hear (at the Request of several Gentlemen and Tradesmen of this Town) that a Printing-Press, with New Letter, is coming hither from London, the Proprietor whereof proposes (after having Address'd the Inhabitants with a Laudable Essay on the Excellency of that Noble Art and Mystery) to do all Manner of Printing-Work after the neatest Manner and lowest Rates, and that to the entire Satisfaction of the Publick.

This announcement makes no reference to the starting of a newspaper; but if the unnamed printer published a paper in opposition to Whitworth's Manchester Gazette [item 83 in this Register], it may have been this Manchester Weekly Courant.

No copy found.
85. The Manchester Journal.

[No. 1 (30 Mar ? 1736)]—no. 22 (24 Aug 1736)—? 
Tue.

Manchester: Printed by A. S. at his Printing-Office, at John Berry’s near the Cross, and Sold in the following Towns, (viz.) Warrington, Ormskirk, Liverpool, Chester, Wigan, Bolton, Bury, Stockport, Macclesfield, Ashton, Preston, Knutsford, Blackburn, &c. . . .

Central Library, Salford: no. 22 (24 Aug 1736)

86. The Lancashire Journal: with the History of the Holy Bible. [From 30 Jul 1739 con. as]: The Lancashire Journal. [From 24 Mar 1740 con. as]: The Lancashire Journal. With a Description of the Spanish Territories in America not Publish’d in any other Paper sold in Lancashire. [From 22 Dec 1740 con. as]: The Lancashire Journal.

[No. 1 (6 Jul ? 1738)]—no. 3 (20 July 1738)—no. 142 (16 Mar 1741)—?

Thu; by 11 Sep 1738, Mon; from 2 Oct 1739, Tue; from 19 Nov 1739, Mon [but no. 81 was pub. on Sat, 12 Jan 1740].

London, Printed by R. Walker, the Corner of Scacoal Lane, next Fleet Lane. Subscriptions to this Work, and also to the Life of Queen Anne, are taken in by Mr. Richard Gough, at the Spread-Eagle in Castle-Lane, Chester; Mr. Sears, at the White Lyon in Liverpool; at the White Lyon in Bridge-Street, Warrington; and by Mr. Green, at the Reedmakers Arms in Stafford. [No. 11 (11 Sep 1738) has] Manchester: Printed by John Berry, at the Dial near the Cross, . . . [From no. 12 (18 Sep 1738)]: Manchester: Printed and Sold by John Berry, at the Dial near the Cross, and also Sold by Mr. Ozly at the White-Lyon in Warrington, Mr. Sears at the White-Lyon in Liverpool, Mr. Gough at the Spread-
Eagle in Chester, Mr. Maddock Bookseller in Namptwich, Mr. Green in Stockport, Mrs. Lord in Rochdale, Mr. Hodgson Bookseller in Hallifax, Mr. Rockett Bookseller in Bradford, Mr. Bradley Peruke-maker in Wakefield; . . .

Manchester Reference Library: nos. 15 (9 Oct 1738) to 142 (16 Mar 1741), inc.

The Vicarage, Mottram-in-Longdendale, Cheshire: no. 3 (20 Jul 1738).

York Minster Library: nos. 11 (11 Sep 1738) to 46 (14 May 1739); nos. 57 (30 Jul 1739) to 69 (23 Oct 1739).


[No. 1 (7 Jan ? 1752)]—no. 3 (31 Jan 1752)—no. 27 (7 Jul 1752)—?

Tue.

Manchester: Printed by O. Adams, and Sold at his Shop, the Upper-End of the Smithy-Door. [Added in no. 9 (3 Mar 1752)]: This Paper may be had every Tuesday at Mr. Higgenson’s, Bookseller in Warrington, . . .

Manchester Reference Library: no. 3 (21 Jan 1752), def.; nos. 4 (28 Jan 1752) to 27 (4 Aug 1752).

88. Harrop's Manchester Mercury. [From 28 Apr 1752 con. as]: Harrop’s Manchester Mercury, And General Advertiser. [From 12 Jul 1757 con. as]: The Manchester Mercury and Harrop's General Advertiser.

No. 1 (3 Mar 1752)—no. 463 (30 Dec 1760), + .

Tue.

Manchester: Printed by Joseph Harrop, at the Sign of the Printing Press, opposite the Exchange, . . .
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Manchester Reference Library: no. 2 (10 Mar 1752); no. 441 (29 Jul 1760); no. 452 (14 Oct 1760); no. 453 (21 Oct 1760); no. 460 (9 Dec 1760).

Chetham's Library, Manchester: nos. 1 (3 Mar 1752) to 463 (30 Dec 1760), some issues lacking two pages, +.

Private library of Kenneth Monkman, Esq., London: no. 49 (13 Feb 1753), first two pp. only; no. 73 (31 Jul 1753), first two pp. only; no. 81 (25 Sep 1753).

89. The Manchester Journal.
[No. 1 (2 Mar ? 1754)]—no. 2 (9 Mar 1754)—?
Sat.


Chetham's Library, Manchester: no. 2 (9 Mar 1754).

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[No. 1 (13 Jul ? 1756)]—no. 5 (10 Aug 1756)—no. 46 (24 May 1757).
Tue.

Middlewich: Printed by James Schofield, . . . "* Subscriptions and Advertisements for this Paper, are taken in at the following Places. Mr. Clarke, Bookseller in Manchester, Mr. Valans, Bookseller in Liverpool, Mr.
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Parsons, Bookseller in Newcastle & Stafford, Mr. Leach, Bookseller in Knotsford, Mr. Rathbone, in Macclesfield, Mr. Purcell, in Congleton, Mr. Maltus, in Northwich, Mr. Church, in Namptwich, Mr. Ralph Hulse, and Mr. Skerrat, Attorney, in Sandbach, Mr. Vernon, at Holm-Chapel, And at the Printing Office in Middlewich.

End noted in Whitworth's Manchester Advertiser, no. 3153 (31 May 1757).

British Museum: vol. I, nos. 5 (10 Aug 1756) to 12 (28 Sep 1756); nos. 14 (12 Oct 1756) to 28 (18 Jan 1757); no. 30 (1 Feb 1757) to vol. II, no. 46 (24 May 1757).

NEWCASTLE

91. The New-castle Gazette: or the Northern Courant. Being an Impartial Account of Remarkable Transactions Forreign or Domestick. [By 1712 con. as]: The Newcastle Gazette: or the Northern Courant. Being an Impartial Account of Remarkable Transactions Forreign or Domestick.

[No. 1 (29 Jul ? 1710)]—no. 65 (25 Dec 1710)—no. 308 (14 Jul 1712)—?


A letter by Button to Daniel Defoe while he was in Edinburgh shows that the two men were on the most friendly terms. The letter is with the copy of no. 65 in the National Library of Scotland.

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The three surviving issues of 1712 have the same heading blocks as were used in Ridpath's *Flying Post* (London).

Newcastle Reference Library: no 271 (19 Apr 1712); no. 304 (5 Jul 1712); no. 308 (14 Jul 1712).


92. The Newcastle Courant: with News Forreign and Domestick. [By 25 Sep 1714]: The Newcastle Courant, Giving an Account of the Most Material Occurrences, both Foreign and Domestick. With Such Remarks and Observations upon them as are to be found in the best New [sic] Pamphlets. [By 29 Jun 1717]: The Newcastle Courant, Giving an Account of the Most Material Occurrences, both Foreign and Domestick. [By 8 Oct 1720]: The Newcastle Weekly Courant: Or, A General View of the Most Material Occurrences, both Foreign and Domestick: But more particularly of Great-Britain: With Useful Observations on Trade. [By 11 Nov 1721]: The Newcastle Courant. [From 29 Feb 1724]: The Newcastle Courant.

[No. 1 (1 Aug ? 1711)]—no. 2 (4 Aug 1711)—no. 4396 (27 Dec 1760), + .

Mon, Wed, and Sat; by 8 Oct 1720, Sat; 4 pp.; from 1712 to 24 Apr 1725, 12 pp.; from 1 May 1725, 4 pp.; 2 cols.; from 1712 to 24 Apr 1725, single col.; from 9 Jan 1725, advertisements in 2 cols.; from 1 May 1725, 2 cols.; from 19 Oct 1728, 3 cols.

Newcastle, Printed and Sold by John White, at his House over against the Jevil-groop in the Close; . . . [From 7 Jan 1712]: Newcastle, Printed and Sold by John White, at his House in the Close; . . . [From 26 Nov 1712]: Newcastle upon Tine, Printed and Sold by John White, at his House on the Side. MDCCXII. [By 28 Jul 1716]: Newcastle upon Tine, Printed and Sold by John White,
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at his House at the Head of the Painter-Heugh. [On 8 Oct 1720]: Newcastle, Printed and Sold by J. White, Mr. Russel in Sunderland, Mrs. Freeman in Durham, Mrs. Isabel Carr in Bishop-Auckland, Mr. Michael Pudsey in Bernard-Castle, Mr. John Thompson in Kirby-Staven, Mr. Birkhead in Kendal, Mr. Bradley in Appleby, Mr. Bramwell in Penrith, Mr. Cook in Carlisle, Mr. Dixon in Hexham, Mr. Robert Mitford in Morpeth, and Mr. Bunian in Alnwick. . . . [By 12 Jan 1723]: Newcastle, Printed and Sold by John White [but later issues in 1723 have long list of distributors]. [By 30 Sep 1732]: Newcastle upon Tyne: Printed and Sold by John White, next Door to the Quaker’s Meeting-House in Pilgrim Street. [By 3 Jul 1742]: Newcastle upon Tyne: Printed and Sold by John White, in Pilgrim Street. [By 8 May 1756]: Printed and sold by John White, at his Printing-Office, in Pilgrim-Street, Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

Newcastle Reference Library: nos. 2 (4 Aug 1711) to 157 (30 Jul 1712), with supplement to no. 96 (10 Mar 1712) and many duplicates; nos. 163 (13 Aug 1712) to 171 (1 Sep 1712); no. 223 (31 Dec 1712); no. 284 (25 May 1713); no. 309 (25 Jul 1713); nos. 493 (25 Sep 1714) to 495 (29 Sep 1714); no. 499 (9 Oct 1714); nos. 781 (28 Jul 1716) to 783 (1 Aug 1716); no. 805 (22 Sep 1716); no. 836 (3 Dec 1716); no. 925 (29 Jun 1717); no. 929 (8 Jul 1717); no. 930 (10 Jul 1717); no. 1136 (3 Nov 1718); no. 1137 (5 Nov 1718); no. 16 (8 Oct 1720); no. 22 (19 Nov 1720); nos. 32 (28 Jan 1721) to 254 (24 Apr 1725), nearly complete, with some duplicates; nos. 1 (1 May 1725) to 381 (12 Aug 1732), nearly complete, with many duplicates; no. 388 (30 Sep 1732); no. 391 (25 Nov 1732); no. 396 (25 Nov 1732); no. 398 (9 Dec 1732); nos. 403 (13 Jan 1733) to 553 (29 Dec 1735), lacking six issues; nos. 558 (3 Jan 1736) to 830 (21 Mar 1741), lacking four issues; nos. 2468 (4 Apr 1741) to 4396 (27 Dec 1760), nearly complete, + .

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Newcastle Society of Antiquaries: no. 298 (9 Jan 1731); nos. 2612 (14 Jan 1744) to 2639 (21 Jul 1744); nos. 2641 (4 Aug 1744) to 2662 (29 Dec 1744); nos. 2767 (3 Jan 1747) to 2797 (1 Aug 1747); nos. 2799 (15 Aug 1747) to 2818 (26 Dec 1747); nos. 2873 (14 Jan 1749) to 2923 (30 Dec 1749), lacking two issues; nos. 2976 (5 Jan 1751) to 3027 (28 Dec 1751); nos. 3081 (20 Jan 1753) to 4031 [sic] (29 Dec 1753), many issues missing; nos. 4032 (5 Jan 1754) to 4396 (27 Dec 1760), nearly complete, + .

Newcastle Literary and Philosophical Society: no. 2529 (12 Jun 1742); no. 2897 (1 Jul 1749); no. 2995 (18 May 1751).

Ushaw College, Durham: nos. 2509 (16 Jan 1742) to 2712 (14 Dec 1746), lacking five issues.

Kingston-upon-Hull Museum: no. 22 (25 Sep 1725).

National Library of Scotland: no. 2707 (9 Nov 1745).


Bodleian Library: nos. 2703 (12 Oct 1745) to 2737 (7 Jun 1746), fourteen issues only.

British Museum: no. 208 (26 Nov 1712), fac. rep. (1887); nos. 692 (2 Jan 1716) to 743 (30 Apr 1716); nos. 213 (18 Jul 1724) to 254 (24 Apr 1725).

Press Club: nos. 2532 (3 Jul 1742) to 2534 (17 Jul 1742).

University of Reading: nos. 2820 (9 Jan 1748) to 2872 (7 Jan 1749), lacking four issues.

Yale University: no. 2656 (17 Nov 1744); no. 2953 (28 Jul 1750); no. 3064 (23 Sep 1752).


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[No. 1 (14 Jul ? 1722)]—no. 30 (2 Feb 1723)—no. 44 (11 May 1723)—[18 May ? 1723].
Sat; 12 pp.; single col.
New-Castle: Printed and Sold by D. Jones, at the Queen’s Head on the Side, by Mr. Akenhead, Bookseller on the Bridge; Mr. Alderman Hall, Bookseller, Carlisle; Mr. William Richardson in Penrith; Mr. John Laidler in Hexham; Mr. Thomas Rennison, in Morpeth; Mr. William Penderton, at Darlington; Mr. Joseph Willen, at Staindrop; Mr. William Sands at Stockton and Gisborough; Mr. Thomas Bunyan, at Alnwick; Mr. J. Smith, at Bishop-Auckland; Mr. James Hamilton at Appleby; Mr. W. Paterson, at West-Auckland; Mr. Edward Atkinson at Brampton; and, at Mr. Alexander Dodds in Berwick. . . . [So in no. 30; slight changes in others.]

Notice in no. 43 (4 May 1723):
Whereas Mr. Akenhead hath thought fit, for Reasons best known to himself, to decline the Business of Printing, and the rest of the Partners not having Leisure to mind and observe the same, the Affair requiring almost constant Attendance; These are to inform the Publick, That if any Person or Persons, who have Opportunity or Leisure to attend the Business, or desirous of following the same, they will dispose of the Printing Materials to them at reasonable Rates; or if any Person who hath Opportunity to attend it, have a mind to come in as a Partner, the Company will treat with him.

N.B. All who are Indebted to the Company for News, or any Work done, are desired forthwith to send the Money to Mr. Tho. Swinhoe, Glover, on the Tine Bridge, they designing to decline the Business the 18th of this Month.

Newcastle Reference Library: no. 30 (2 Feb. 1723); no. 32 (16 Feb 1723); no. 40 (13 Apr 1723); no. 41 (20 Apr 1723); no. 43 (4 May 1723); no. 44 (11 May 1723).

94. The North Country Journal: or, the Impartial Intelligence.

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[No. 1 (17 Aug ? 1734)]—no. 17 (7 Dec 1734)—no. 160 (10 Sep 1737)—[1738?]

Sat.


It was announced in no. 65 (8 Nov 1735) that Leonard Umphreville and Isaac Lane had dissolved their partnership.

Notice in the Newcastle Courant, no. 714 (30 Dec. 1738):

All Persons indebted to the Printing-Office, lately carried on by Mr. Leonard Umphreville and Company, are hereby requested immediately to pay their respective Debts to Mr. Wm Rutter, Attorney at Law in Newcastle, who is properly authorized to receive the same, and to no other Person, or they will be prosecuted for the same.

Newcastle Reference Library: nos. 65 (8 Nov 1735) to 160 (10 Sep 1737), thirteen issues only.

American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, Massachusetts: no. 17 (7 Dec 1734); no. 42 (31 May 1735); no. 45 (21 Jun 1735); no. 46 (28 Jun 1735); nos. 48 (12 Jul 1735) to 51 (2 Aug 1735), with duplicate of no. 50 (26 Jul 1735).

95. The Newcastle Journal.

No. 1 (7 Apr 1739)—no. 1127 (27 Dec 1760), + .

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Under date line: Published by I. Thompson and W. Cuthbert. [From 2 Oct 1742]: Published by I. Thompson and Company. [From 8 Jun 1751]: Printed and Published by I. Thompson and Company.

[Colophon]: Newcastle upon Tyne: Printed by William Cuthbert, on the Head of the Side. [From 3 May 1740]: Newcastle upon Tyne: Printed by William Cuthbert, on the Side; . . . [From 2 Oct 1742]: Newcastle upon Tyne: Printed by John Brown, on the Side, . . . [From 6 Nov 1742]: Newcastle upon Tyne: Printed by John Gooding, on the Side; . . . [By 21 Dec 1745]: Newcastle upon Tyne: Printed by John Gooding, in the Burnthouse Entry on the Side; . . . [From 8 Jun 1751]: At the New Printing-Office on the Side, Newcastle, Subscriptions and Advertisements for this Paper, . . . are taken in.

No. 57 (3 May 1740) has this notice: This Paper is now printed on the Middle of the Side, where the new Printing-Office will be kept for the future.

No. 184 (9 Oct 1742) has this notice about the dissolution of the Thompson-Cuthbert partnership:

Whereas an Advertisement has been published by William Cuthbert, and dispersed about the Country, manifestly calculated to abuse and injure my Character and Interest: This is to inform the Publick, that the scandalous Aspersions and Accusations contained in the said Advertisement are all utterly false and groundless, which I am prepared and ready to prove, if any Person will take the trouble of calling upon me at the NEW PRINTING OFFICE where the genuine Newcastle Journal will continue to be published, and all other Printing-Work will be perform'd at the most moderate Prices.

ISAAC THOMPSON.

N.B. All Debts to the late Partnership, ending the 25th of September last, are desired to be paid to the said Isaac Thompson.
No. 234 (24 Sep 1743) has this notice identifying the proprietors:

Newcastle. September 24, 1743.

Whereas Enquiry has frequently been made, to know what Persons are concern’d in the Publication of this Paper, and of late some Mistakes have been made about it: We apprehend it is proper to satisfy the Publick, and do Justice to ourselves in this Particular; and therefore take this Opportunity of assuring our Readers, that we, whose Names are hereunto subscribed, are the only Proprietors of the Newcastle Journal; which, thro’ the great Favour of the Publick, is more generally read, and has a larger Circulation thro’ the Counties of Durham, York, Lancaster, Westmoreland, Cumberland, and Northumberland, and also the South of Scotland, than any other News Paper; and on that Account, as it must be the Advantage of those who have occasion to advertise in the North to appear in it, so we hope that our Friends will not only continue to oblige us with their own Advertisements, but likewise recommend others to our Paper. Also, whoever has occasion to have any kind of Printing Work perform’d, may be served expeditiously, in the best manner, and at the most moderate Prices, by applying either to John Gooding, Printer, at the New Printing-office in the Burnt-house Entry on the Side, or to any one of us.

ISAAC THOMPSON,
JONATHAN WALKER,
PEREGRINE TYZACK,
ROBERT THORP.

No. 663 (21 Dec 1751) has this notice about John Gooding:

All Persons indebted to John Gooding, Printer in Newcastle, deceased, at the Time of his Death, are desired immediately to pay their respective Debts to Joseph King, Cooper, or to George Bewley, both of Newcastle aforesaid, who are legally empowered to receive the same; . . .
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Newcastle Reference Library: nos. 1 (7 Apr 1739) to 704 (14 Oct 1752); nos. 706 (23 Oct 1752) to 1065 (29 Sep 1759); nos. 1067 (13 Oct 1759) to 1127 (27 Dec 1760), +.

Newcastle Society of Antiquaries: nos. 248 (7 Jan 1744) to 299 (20 Dec 1744), lacking two issues; nos. 404 (3 Jan 1747) to 434 (1 Aug 1747); nos. 436 (Aug 1747) to 455 (26 Dec 1747); nos. 509 (7 Jan 1749), def., to 1127 (27 Dec 1760), nearly complete, with many duplicates, +.


Berrow's Newspapers, Ltd., Worcester: no. 346 (23 Nov 1745).

Bodleian Library: no. 346 (23 Nov 1745); no. 347 (30 Nov 1745); no. 349 (14 Dec 1745); no. 405 (10 Jan 1747); no. 418 (11 Apr 1747); no. 419 (18 Apr 1747); no. [428] (20 Jun 1747).

British Museum: nos. 1 (7 Apr 1739) to 312 (30 Mar 1745); no. 672 (22 Feb 1752).

University of Reading: nos. 456 (2 Jan 1748) to 493 (17 Sep 1748); nos. 495 (1 Oct 1748) to 498 (22 Oct 1748); nos. 500 (5 Nov 1748) to 507 (24 Dec 1748).

Yale University: no. 351 (28 Dec 1745); no. 897 (24 Jul 1756); nos. 921 (8 Jan 1757) to 942 (11 Jun 1757), seven issues only: nos. 1068 (20 Oct 1759) to 1078 (29 Dec 1759); nos. 1089 (15 Mar 1760) to 1126 (20 Dec 1760), fifteen issues only, +.

New York Public Library: no. 364 (29 Mar 1746).


96. The Newcastle Gazette: or, Tyne-Water Journal. [By 13 Nov 1745 con. as]: The Newcastle Gazette.
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[No. 1 (20 Jun 1744)]—no. 9 (15 Aug 1744)—no. 393 (25 Dec 1751)—[1755?]

Wed.

Printed and Sold by W. Cuthbert in Cutters-Entry in the Close, . . .

Newcastle Reference Library: no. 86 (5 Feb 1746).

Newcastle Society of Antiquaries: no. 9 (15 Aug 1744); nos. 81 (1 Jan 1746) to 185 (30 Dec 1747), lacking ten issues; nos. 238 (4 Jan 1749) to 289 (27 Dec 1749), lacking one issue; nos. 343 (9 Jan 1751) to 393 (25 Dec 1751), lacking one issue.

Bodleian Library: nos. 74 (13 Nov 1745) to 141 (25 Feb 1747); no. 144 (18 Mar 1747); no. 145 (22 Mar 1747).

University of Reading: nos. 186 (6 Jan 1748) to 213 (13 Jul 1748); no. 215 (27 Jul 1748); nos. 218 (17 Aug 1748) to 235 (14 Dec 1748).

97. The Newcastle Intelligencer.

[No. 1 (15 Oct 1755)]—no. 7 (26 Nov 1755)—no. 190 (30 May 1759).

Wed.


No. 190 has this announcement:

The Publication of this Paper will, pursuant to former Notice, be discontinued after this Day. . . .

Newcastle Reference Library: nos. 34 (2 Jun 1756) to 178 (7 Mar 1759), ten issues only.

Newcastle Society of Antiquaries: nos. 7 (26 Nov 1755) to 190 (30 May 1759), inc.
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Vol. I, no. 1 (2 May 1720)—vol. XLI, no. 40 (29 Dec 1760), ±.

Mon; 12 pp.; from 3 May 1725, 4 pp.; single col.; from 28 Aug 1721, 2 cols.; from 1 May 1727, 3 cols.

Northampton: Printed by R. Raikes and W. Dicey, near All Saints Church; . . . [By 20 Nov 1721]: Northampton: Printed by R. Raikes and W. Dicey. . . . [From 24 May 1725]: Northampton: Printed by William Dicey and Robert Raikes, 1725. [From 20 Sep 1725]: Northampton: Printed by William Dicey. . . . [By 4 Apr 1757]: Northampton: Printed by Cluer Dicey. . . . [From 2 Apr 1759]: Printed by Cluer Dicey: And may be had of J. Ellington in Huntingdon, and W. Ward, at Sheffield, in Yorkshire, Booksellers and Stationers. . . .

Northampton Public Library: vol. I, no. 1 (2 May 1720), to vol. XLI, no. 40 (29 Dec 1760), ±.

Bodleian Library: vol. III, no. 144 (28 Jan 1723), to vol. IV, no. 266 (1 Jul 1723); vol. IV, no. [298] ([10] Feb 1724), def., to vol. VI, no. 33 (13 Dec 1725), thirteen issues only; vol. VIII, no. 7 (12 Jun 1727), to vol. XVIII, no. 48 (13 Mar 1738), seventeen issues only; vol. XXVI, no. [27] (7 Oct 1745); no. 30 (28 Oct 1745); no. [34] (25 Nov 1745).

Oxford University Press Ephemeral Collection: vol. XI, no. 30 (16 Nov 1730), to vol. XXII, no. 38 (28 Dec 1741), sixteen issues only; vol. XXVI, no. 5 (6 May 1745); vol. XLI, no. 33 (10 Nov 1760).
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All Souls' Library, Oxford: vol. I, no. 20 (12 Sep 1720); no. 25 (17 Oct 1725); vol. IV, no. 293 (6 Jan 1724), to vol. V, no. 361 (Sat, 24 Apr 1725); vol. VI, no. 1 (3 May 1725); vol. IX, no. 52 (21 Apr 1729).

Cambridge University Library: vol. XXXVII, no. 12 (21 Jun 1756); vol. XXXVIII, no. 42 (16 Jan 1758).

British Museum: vol. I, nos. 1 (2 May 1720) to 52 (24 Apr 1721); vol. III, nos. 127 (1 Oct 1722) to 151 (18 Mar 1723); vol. XIV, nos. 4 (14 May 1733) to 29 (5 Nov 1733); vol. XXI, no. 11 (30 Jun 1740); vol. XXIV, no. 26 (30 Oct 1743), to vol. XXVIII, no. 45 (8 Feb 1748); vol. XXVIII, no. 47 (22 Feb 1748), to vol. XXIX, no. 24 (12 Sep 1748); vol. XXIX, no. 26 (26 Sep 1748), to vol. XXXII, no. 40 (30 Dec 1751).

Press Club: vol. IX, no. 30 (18 Nov 1728); vol. XXIX, no. 19 (8 Aug 1748).

Yale University: vol. IX, no. 26 (28 Oct 1728).


University of Texas: vol. XXVII, no. 7 (19 May 1746).


[No. 1 (7 Jul 1722)]—[no. 2 (14 Jul 1722)]—?

Sat; 6 or 12 pp. (referred to as “a Sheet and a Half of Waste Paper” by the proprietors of the Northampton Mercury); 2 cols.

This paper and its printer, James Pasham, are mentioned disparagingly by Robert Raikes and William Dicey in their Northampton Mercury, vol. III, no. 115 (Mon, 9 Jul 1722), and the first two issues are quoted in the Northampton Mercury of 23 Jul 1722.

No copy found.

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100. Jopson's Coventry and Northampton Mercury, or Weekly Country Journal.

According to an unsigned article, "The Coventry Standard Over Two Centuries," in the Coventry Standard of 19 July 1941, a few issues of Jopson's Coventry Mercury (item 34 in this Register) were printed in Northampton, the imprint of the issue dated 28 Feb 1743 being: Northampton: Printed by J. Jopson, in Gold Street. By 11 Apr 1743, the paper was again being printed in Coventry.

No copy bearing the Northampton imprint has been found.

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101. The Norwich Post: To be Publish'd Weekly: Containing An Account of the most Remarkable Transactions both Foreign and Domestick. [By 19 Feb 1709 con. as]: The Norwich-Post: Publish'd Weekly: Containing the most Remarkable Transactions both Foreign and Domestick. [By Jul 1712 con. as]: The Norwich-Post: With the Freshest Advices, Foreign and Domestick.

[No. 1 (8 Nov ? 1701)]—no. 287 (3 May 1707)—no. 594 (5 Jul 1712)—?

Sat; 2 pp. (?) while Francis Burges was alive (see Hasbart's letter, quoted below); by 3 May 1707. 4 pp.; 2 cols.

[From 1701, printed by Francis Burges]. [By 3 May 1707]: Printed by E. Burges, near the Red-well in Norwich. [By 1 May 1708]: Norwich, Printed by E. Burges, near the Red-Well. 1708. [By 19 Feb 1709]: Norwich, Printed by the Administrator of E. Burges, near the Red-Well, 1709.
Mrs. Burges,

THE Printing Business in this Town, as your Husband well experienced, is no more than what One Man can sufficiently perform; You Yourself having given away half the Profit your Husband had by selling a Whole Sheet for a Peny, whereas your Husband never sold a Half Sheet for less: So that 'tis plain, while there are Three of Us, no one can boast of the Gain that is now made. I would be glad to have the Whole in my own Hands, and in order to it do offer you the real Value of what Letter and Stock you have in that Way, and to find Employment for your Man (or Men) into Bargain as soon as you please to discharge them. But as your Husband first set up the Trade here, and left you in Possession of it, you may possibly have taken too great a Liking to the Business to accept of this Offer; if so, I am willing to part with my Materials and Man to you upon the same Terms: If you object that complying with me will do you no Service, there being another still to contend with, who may possibly be rather strengthen'd than weaken'd by my laying down, I farther offer as a Recompense for the Damage you have sustain'd by having Two to contend with all this while, which you are sensible may be made appear was not my Fault at first, let such Friends as you can best confide in name what Method they think most adviseable and likely to bring the other Person to reasonable Terms, and I will be oblig'd to join with you in it: In the mean time, till a more likely Expedient can be found out, I propose this. Let You and I join Partnership for seven Years; (which if we do, I believe no Rational Man will advise that other Person otherwise than to lay down as soon as it be known) and to take off all Jealousie or Apprehension that you or any for you may conceive, that my Design herein should be more for my own private Interest than for yours in the End, I will before we enter into Partnership oblige my self in Bond under what Penalty you please, to lay down the Business wholly when ever
you require it of me, you first paying me or giving
Security to pay me for my Types, &c. and to pro-
vide employ for my Man as above. If you do not
think fit to accept of this Proposal, or in a short
Time offer a more fair one of your own, you will
find the Profit of the Business grow still less by the
Example you first set, for there is a Necessity that
some of us lay down. I therefore desire you will
advise with those you can best trust, whether what
I offer be reasonable.

I am Your Friend, Samuel Hasbart.

For Mrs. Burges's rejection of this offer, see above, p. 30.

No. 351 (22 May 1708) has this notice:

These are to give Notice, That this Paper begins
to be publish'd in Yarmouth this Day, and is to be
continu'd weekly. Advertisements are taken in at
Yarmouth every Saturday at the Three Wrestlers,
where any Person may speak with the Printer about
any other Business whatsoever, and shall be reason-
able [so] used by him, it being the first Printing-
house that ever was in Norwich.

No. 390 (19 Feb 1709) has this notice:

Whereas there has been a Report spread abroad,
That the late Widow Burges's Printing-house was to
be left off at Michaelmas, This is to satisfy, that it
is utterly false, and never was intended; but will be
continued with Expedition and Diligence. Where
any Person that has occasion to Publish Advertise-
ments in this Paper, or to Print other Things, shall
be very reasonably used, and their Business per-
form'd with Care and Speed.

Norwich Public Library: no. 349 (8 May 1708); no. 351
(22 May 1708); no. 352 (29 May 1708); no. 390 (19
Feb 1709); no. 404 (14 May 1709); no. 413 (23 Jul
1709).

Bridewell Museum, Norwich: no. 594 (5 Jul 1712).
Saffron Walden Museum: no. 287 (3 May 1707).
British Museum: no. 348 (1 May 1708).
102. The Norwich Gazette: or, the Accurate weekly Intelligence. [From 8 Feb 1707 con. as]: The Norwich Gazette: or, the Loyal Packet. [By 30 Aug 1712 con. as]: The Norwich Gazette or the Loyal Packet. To be Published Weekly in Norwich and Great Yarmouth. [By 17 Jul 1714 con. as]: The Norwich Gazette or the Loyal Packet. [From 17 Nov 1722 con. as]: The Norwich Gazette.

No. 1 (7 Dec 1706)—vol. XLIII, no. 2236 (30 Dec 1749)—?

Sat; from 5 Mar 1707, Wed and Sat; from 5 Apr 1707, Sat; 2 pp.; from 29 Mar 1707, 4 pp.; from 2 Aug 1712, 6 pp.; by 30 Aug 1712, 2 pp.; by 17 Jul 1714, 6 pp.; from 1 May 1725, 4 pp.; 2 cols.; from 27 Sep 1740, 3 cols.

In no. 13 (1 March 1707) is this announcement:

This is to give Notice, That at the Request of several Gentlemen, the NORWICH GAZETTE will be Printed every Wednesday and Saturday, that all Persons who send me Questions may have speedier Answers. And all those Persons that have advertisements put into this News-paper, shall have them Printed as many Wednesdays for nothing, as they pay for Saturdays.

In vol. XII, no. 598 (22 Mar 1718) is this announcement:

All my loyal Friends and Customers are desir’d to take Notice, that I am now entirely remov’d from where I did live in St. Edmund’s Parish, and have actually set up my Printing-Office just by the Church in St. Giles’s Parish in this City, where Advertisements are taken in for Cross-grove’s News, and at no other Place. Note, that the Fellow with the Crutches sells my News no longer, I having turn’d him out for several Abuses; therefore pray take Care of being deceiv’d.

The death of Henry Cross-grove was announced in the Norwich Gazette, vol. XXXVIII, no. 1980 (15 Sep 1744):

Norwich, September 15. On Wednesday last departed this Life Mr. HENRY CROSS-GROVE, aged 62, Printer of The Norwich Gazette and Magazine upwards of 38 Years. He was a Man allowed by all Persons of Ingenuity and Learning to be a Man of Learning, Sense, and Spirit. And as his Paper did always appear with the greatest Spirit, Integrity, and Correctness, of any Paper yet extant, so We design (God willing) to continue it in the same Channel, and hope to give the same Satisfaction to all Our good Friends and Customers; and return them Our grateful Thanks, for all their Goodness to the printer now deceased; and are encouraged to hope their Goodness and future Favour will be continued to US his Widow and Son-in-Law, MARY CROSS-GROVE and ROB. DAVY.

For an account of Cross-grove’s quarrels and difficulties, see above, pp. 29-30.
Norwich Public Library: [vol. I], no. 1 (7 Dec 1706), to vol. XXXV, no. 1787 (3 Jan 1741), inc., many duplicates; vol. XXXVI, no. 1874 (4 Sep 1742).

Cambridge University Library: vol. XXXV, no. 1787 (3 Jan 1741), to vol. XXXVIII, no. 1944 (7 Jan 1744); vol. XLI, no. 2100 (3 Jan 1747), to vol. XLII, no. 1300 [sic] (3 Dec 1748); vol. XLIII, nos. 2190 (11 Feb 1749) to 2236 (30 Dec 1749), three def.

British Museum: vol. VI, no. 276 (19 Jan 1712), def.; no. 277 (26 Jan 1712), def.; vol. VIII, no. [?] (27 Nov 1714), pp. 5-6 only; vol. XIX, no. 969 (1 May 1725), to vol. XXVII, no. 1399 (28 Jul 1733), inc.; vol. XXXV, no. 1811 (20 Jun 1741), to vol. XXXVII, no. 1861 (5 Jun 1742); vol. XXXVIII, no. 1945 (14 Jan 1744), to vol. XLI, no. 2151 (24 Dec 1747), lacking five issues.

Bodleian Library: vol. XL, no. 2058 (15 Mar 1746).


New York Public Library: 4 Mar 1727 and 2 May 1728, fac.

Huntington Library: vol. XXVI, no. 1331 (8 Apr 1732).

103. The Norwich Post-man: with Remarkable Occurrences both Foreign and Domestick, To be continued Weekly. [No. 1 (28 Dec 1706)]—vol. II, no. 68 (10 Apr 1708)—vol. III, no. 135 (30 Jul 1709)—[no. ? (Feb 1710)]—?
Sat; 2 cols.


Imprint of an early issue is given by [John Chambers], A General History of the County of Norfolk (Norwich: Stacy, 1829), II, 1291, as: "Printed by S. Sheffield, for T. Goddard, Bookseller, Norwich." Publication as late as 1710 is indicated by a letter from a correspondent in the
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*Norwich Gazette: or, the Loyal Packet*, vol. IV, no. 175 (Sat, 11 Feb 1710), beginning:

Mr. Cross-grove,


Norwich Public Library: vol. II, no. 68 (10 Apr 1708); vol. III, no. 135 (30 Jul 1709).

104. The Norwich Courant: or, Weekly Packet.

[1714?]—[4 Feb 1716]—1718—?

Sat.

It is stated in [John Chambers], *A General History of the County of Norfolk* (Norwich: Stacy, 1829), II, 1291, that the *Norwich Courant, or Weekly Packet* appeared in 1714, “printed by S. Collins, afterwards by John Collins, and then by H. Collins, . . . near the Red Well, St Andrew’s,” and that the author was a Whig. Dr. Cranfield names Freeman Collins and Edward Cave as responsible for the *Norwich Courant* until, by 1716, it was printed by Mrs. Susannah Collins. An advertisement “which was last Saturday printed in Mrs. Collins’s News” was quoted in the *Norwich Gazette*, vol. X, no. 488 (11 Feb 1716). A reference in the *Norwich Gazette*, no. 598 (22 Mar 1718), suggests that the *Norwich Courant* was still appearing in 1718:

One of the witty News Printers in this City having endeav’rd to clear the WHIGG *Weekly Journal* from the Scandal of having Richard Burridge for its Author, who has been Twice convicted of speaking horrid Blasphemous Words, by cunningly affirming that he was only Corrector of the said Paper, &c. I cannot but observe, supposing it is as he says, that the WHIGG News-Paper must certainly be horrid Stuff, if they stand in Need of the Correction of a Blasphemor.

No copy found.
105. The Transactions of the Universe: Or the Weekly-Mercury. With Remarkable Occurrences Domestick and Foreign. To be continued Weekly. [By 22 Oct 1722 con. as]: The Weekly-Mercury: or, the Protestant Packet. Containing the most Remarkable Occurrences Foreign and Domestick. [From 12 Feb 1726 con. as]: The Norwich Mercury.


Sat; 12 pp.; by 20 Oct 1722, 6 pp.; from 1 May 1725, 4 pp.; single col.; by 20 Oct 1722, 2 cols.; from 20 Sep 1740, 3 cols.

[By 17 Jul 1714]: Printed by W. Chase in the Dove Lane for Tho. Goddard. . . . [By 22 Oct 1722]: Norwich: Printed by W. Chase in the Cockey-Lane, . . . [From 2 Jun 1744]: Norwich: Printed and sold by the Widow of the late W. Chase, in the Cockey-Lane; and also by Mrs. Samuel, Bookseller in Lynn, and Mr. Haliday, Bookseller in Yarmouth; . . . [From 31 Mar 1750]: Norwich: Printed and sold by William Chase, in the Cockey-Lane; also by Mr. Hollingworth, Bookseller in Lynn; and Mr. Campbell, Bookseller in Yarmouth; . . . [From 14 Jul 1753]: Norwich: Printed and sold by W. Chase, in the Cockey-Lane, 1753 [etc.]

The death of William Chase was announced in the Norwich Mercury dated 2 Jun 1744:

On Thursday last after a short Illness, died Mr. William Chase, who had printed the Norwich Mercury for about 30 Years. . . . His Friends will assist the Widow in conducting this Paper, for whose Benefit it will be carried on, depending on the more than ordinary Favour with which it has of late been received by the Publick.

Norwich Public Library: 20 Oct 1722; 24 Nov 1722; 29 Jun 1723, pp. 1-4 only; 1 May 1725 to 26 Oct 1728, with duplicates; 8 Feb 1729 to 27 Dec 1760, +.
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Cambridge University Library: 3 Feb 1728, rep.; 16 Sep 1749 to 27 Dec 1760, +.

British Museum: 5 Oct 1728; 31 Mar 1750 to 29 Dec 1753; 9 Jul 1757.

Bodleian Library: 21 Jan 1727 to 11 Mar 1727; 1 Jul 1727; 2 Sep 1727; 16 Sep 1727; 28 Oct 1727; 3 Feb 1728 to 16 Mar 1728; all rep.; 26 Feb 1732 to 18 Mar 1732; no. 422 (27 May 1758).


University of Chicago Library: fac. rep. of fifty issues from 1727 to 1731, pub. as supp. to *Norwich Mercury* from 9 Jan 1884 to 11 Dec 1889; 28 Jul 1733 to 28 Jul 1759, inc.

Huntington Library: 12 Feb 1732.


[No. 1 (? 1751)]—vol. III, no. 401 (2 Jun 1753)—?

Sat.

Norwich: Printed and Sold by R. Davy, near St. Giles's Gates: Also Sold at Mr. Dixon's, late Goddard's, and Mr. Goodman's, in the Dove-Lane; and by Messrs. Watson and Woods in Yarmouth: . . .

Although the serial number of the only issue seen implies that the paper had been running for nearly eight years, it is unlikely that the *Norwich Journal* began as early as 1745, since Davy was printing the *Norwich Gazette* as late as December, 1749. If the issue of 2 Jun 1753 is properly reckoned as belonging in the third annual volume, the implication is that the paper began in 1751; but if the serial number 401 is correct, the paper began in 1745.

Norwich Public Library: vol. III, no. 401 (2 Jun 1753).
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[No. 1 (4 Oct ? 1710)]—no. 42 (18 Jul 1711)—no. 65 (19 [for 14] Dec 1711)—?

Wed; by 14 Dec 1711, Fri; 2 pp.; 2 cols.


Nottingham Central Library: no. 42 (18 Jul 1711).

108. The Weekly Courant Containing a Faithful Account of All Publick Transactions both Foreign and Domestick. Together with Remarks on Trade. [By 1 Jun 1749 con. as]: The Nottingham Weekly Courant. [By 29 Jan 1757 con. as]: Ayscough's Nottingham Courant.


Thu; by 29 Jan 1757, Sat; 12 pp.; by 3 Jun 1725, 4 pp.; single col.; by 3 Jun 1725, 2 cols.; by 1 Jun 1749, 3 cols.

Nottingham: Printed and sold by William Ayscough, in Bridlesmithgate, and by Mr. Hodges and Mr. Allstree Booksellers in Derby, Mr. Hoyle Brascaster in York, Mr. Sagg Bookseller in York, Mr. Carlton in Gainsborough.
Mr. Dixon in Mansfield. Mr. Unwin in Ashby-de-la-Zouch. Mr. Farnsworth in Newark, William Green in Sheffield. Mr. Bradley in Chesterfield. Mrs. Taylor in Doncaster. and Mr. Swale in Leeds, and at his Shop in Wakefield. . . . [Many additions and changes in subsequent lists of agents.] [By 20 Oct 1720]: Nottingham: Printed and Sold by Anne Ayscough in Bridlesmithgate. . . . [By 2 Jun 1737]: Nottingham, Printed by George Ayscough, in Bridlesmithgate, . . . This Paper is likewise sold by Mr. Allestree, Mr. Roc, and Mr. Trimmer, Booksellers in Derby; Mr. Hardy in Burton upon Trent; R. Tattcrshall! in Ashburn; Mr. Bradley, Bookseller in Chesterfield; Mr. Haxby, Bookseller in Sheffield; Mr. Inman, Bookseller in Doncaster; Mr. Thompson, Bookseller in Gainsborough; J. Hostead in Melton Mowbray; and by Mansfield, Southwell, Newark, and Melton Posts, and by [Mrs. Heathcote Bookseller in Uttoxeter]. . . . [additional names and places in later issues]. [By 1 Jun 1749]: Nottingham: Printed and Sold by George Ayscough in Bridlesmithgate. . . .

Nottingham Central Library: vol. IV, no. 21 (22 Dec 1715), to vol. XII, no. 30 (5 Mar 1724), inc.; vol. III, no. 30 (30 Nov 1727); vol. XXXIII, no. 113 (10 Dec 1757); vol. XXXIV, no. 185 (28 Apr 1759), def.

University of Nottingham Library: vol. IV, no. 24 (12 Jan 1716), to vol. VII, no. 37 (16 Apr 1719), inc.; XXIV, no. 52 (1 Jun 1749), to vol. XXVIII, no. 29 (28 Dec 1752), inc.; vol. XXXIII, no. 139 (10 Jun 1758), to vol. XXXIV, no. 267 (27 Dec 1760), inc., + .

Private Library of T. F. Potter, Esq., Nottingham: vol. I, no. 6 (3 Jun 1725), to vol. V, no. 34 (18 Dec 1729), inc.; vol. VI, no. 48 (25 Mar 1730), to vol. XVIII, no. [?] (30 Dec 1742), eighteen issues only; vol. XXXII, no. 68 (29 Jan 1757); vol. XXXIV, no. 199 (4 Aug 1759).

York Minster Library: vol. IV, no. 29 (16 Feb 1716), to vol. VII, no. 20 (11 Dec 1718); vol. X, no. 27 (15 Feb 1722), to vol. XIII, no. 19 (10 Dec 1724).


New York Public Library; vol. VI, no. 28 (6 Feb 1718).

Yale University: vol. XXVIII, no. 30 (4 Jan 1753), to vol. XXIX, no. 36 (14 Feb 1754); vol. XXX, nos. 30 (2 Jan 1755) to 48 [mis-numbered 46] (8 May 1755).

109. The New Mercury, &c. [From 16 Dec 1715 con. as]: The Nottingham Mercury: or A General View of the Affairs of Europe, but more particularly of Great Britain. [From 13 Jan 1716 title sometimes appears as]: The Nottingham Mercury, &c. [From 21 Mar 1717 con. as]: The Nottingham Mercury: or A General View of the Affairs of Europe, but more particularly of Great Britain. Being a Weekly Account of News. [From 12 Feb 1719 con. as]: The Nottingham Mercury: or, a General View of the Affairs of Europe, But More particularly of Great-Britain: being a Weekly Account of News. With Extracts and Abridgments of Books [from 7 May 1719 last six words of this title were omitted]. [By 23 Feb 1727 con. as]: The Nottingham Mercury.

[No. 1 (1 Jan ? 1714)]—no. 18 (30 Apr 1714)—no. 4 (16 Mar 1727)—?

Fri; by 1 Mar 1716, Thu; 12 pp.; from 22 Mar 1716 to 8 Jun 1721 some issues have 14 pp.; by Feb, 1727, 4 pp.; single col.; by Feb, 1727, 2 cols.

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Derby, P. Davy in Leicester, John Slater in Coventry, Jos. Kemp in Hinkley, D. Watson in Ashbydelazouch, B. Farnworth in Newark, T. Dixon in Mansfield, Mrs. Singleton in Redford, W. Green in Sheffield and T. Carver in Melton. . . . [Other names substituted or added in subsequent issues.] [23 Apr 1719]: Nottingham: Printed by John Collyer, at the Sheep-Pens, . . . [From 15 Jun 1721]: Printed by John Collyer at the Hen-Cross, near the Old Booksellers Shop. . . .

Nottingham Central Library: no. 18 (30 Apr 1714), to 16 Mar 1727, thirty-five issues only.

University of Nottingham Library: 13 Jan 1716 to 24 Sep 1719, twenty-three issues only.


Derby Borough Library: 3 Sep 1719; 10 Nov 1720; 9 Jan 1724.

York Minster Library: 22 Mar 1716 to 26 Apr 1722.

Oxford University Press Ephemeral Collection: 20 Jan 1716, def.

British Museum: 18 Nov 1715 to 17 Dec 1719, inc.; 30 Jun 1720; 28 May 1724.

110. The Nottingham Post.

[No. 1 (Jan ? 1730)]—vol. IX, no. 449 (3 Aug 1738)—vol. XII, no. 617 (24 Oct 1741)—?

Thu.

Printed and Sold by Tho. Collyer, near the Hen-Cross. . . . This Paper may be had of S. Simmons in Sheffield and J. Slater in Chesterfield, Booksellers, . . . [By 30 Jul 1741]: Printed for and Sold by Tho. Collyer, near the Hen-Cross, Nottingham: . . . This Paper [etc., as before].
111. The Leicester and Nottingham Journal.
No. 132 (8 Nov 1755)—1756?
Sat.
Printed for J. Gregory, Bookseller, in Leicester; and S. Creswell, Bookseller, in Nottingham.
This is the paper described as item 68 in this Register. It is doubtful that any copies were printed in Nottingham; but in number 132, Gregory and Creswell announced that they were “determined to publish this Weekly Paper early evry Saturday Morning, at their respective Shops in Leicester and Nottingham.” Presumably this arrangement continued until January, 1756, when Creswell began to print his own paper in Nottingham (item 112 in this Register).
Nottingham Reference Library: no. 132 (8 Nov 1755).

[No. 1 (10 Jan ? 1756)]—no. 5 (7 Feb 1756)—vol. II, no. 57 (5 Feb 1757)—[end of 1760]?—?
Sat.
Nottingham: Printed by Samuel Creswell, Bookseller under the New-Change, and Sold by Mrs. Monk Bookseller in Mansfield, Mr. Streeton Bookseller in Grantham, Mr. Hill Bookseller in Newark upon Trent, Mr. Double-day Peruke-maker at Southwell, Mr. Isaac Potter Grocer at Wirksworth, Mr. John Sturtevant Grocer at Ollerton, and Joseph Lee, Sutton Carrier, . . .
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Nottingham Central Library: vol. I, no. 49 (11 Dec 1756).


OXFORD

113. The Oxford Journal: Or The Tradesman's Intelligencer.

Probably printed in London; advertised in Queen Anne's Weekly Magazine, no. 11 (24 Jan 1736), according to James R. Sutherland, "Lost Journals," Periodical Post Boy, no. 6 (Mar, 1950), p. 3.

No copy found.


[No. 1 (6 Sep 1746)]—vol. II, no. 71 (11 Jan 1748)—
vol. II, no. 79 (7 Mar 1748)—Jun, 1749.

Sat; by 11 Jan 1748, Mon.

Bodleian MS. Top. Oxon. d. 247, fol. 97, has a transcription of the title, imprint, and other matter in no. 1. The name of the partner is there given twice as Richard, but undoubtedly Robert was intended; as Cyprian Blagden has pointed out in The Library, Ser. 5, XII (1957), 125, the local civic records show that between Michaelmas, 1746, and Michaelmas, 1747, the Oxford City Council granted to Robert Walker and William Jackson of the parish of All Saints a license to place a sign over their premises. The writer of MS. Top. Oxon. d. 247 noted in the margin that in no. 3 of the Oxford Flying Weekly Journal (20 Sep 1746) the proprietors announced that they had removed to premises near the Market Cross in High Street.

This announcement was in the Oxford Gazette: and Reading Mercury, no. 189 (19 Jun 1749), and following issues:

Whereas the Proprietors of the Flying Weekly Journal, lately printed at Oxford, have discontinued that Paper, This is to inform their Customers that we have agreed with most of their Newsmen to carry the Oxford Gazette and Reading Mercury, which we hope they will take instead of the said Journal, assuring them of our Endeavours to procure the best and earliest Intelligence, as we have hitherto done, and that they shall be serv'd in a regular Manner.

C. Micklewright, & Co.

Advertisements will be taken in by W. Jackson near Carfax-Conduit in Oxford; which it is desir'd may be sent to him on or before every Thursday Night, otherwise he will not be able to transmit them to Reading soon enough to be inserted in the next Paper.

Bodleian Library: vol. II, no. 79 (7 Mar 1748).
Yale University: vol. II, no. 71 (11 Jan 1748).

No. 1 (5 May 1753)—no. 400 (27 Dec 1760), + .

Sat.

Printed by W. Jackson in the High-street, Oxford . . . . [By 13 Nov 1756]; Published by W. Jackson in the High-Street, Oxford; and R. Bond, Printer and Bookseller, in the Westgate-street, Gloucester. . . .


Bodleian Library: nos. 1 (5 May 1753) to 370 (31 May 1760); nos. 398 (13 Dec 1760) to 400 (27 Dec 1760), + , with many duplicates.

Oxford Public Library: no. 1 (5 May 1753); nos. 6 (9 Jun 1753) to 57 (1 Jun 1754); nos. 59 (15 Jun 1754) to 69 (24 Aug 1754); nos. 74 (28 Sep 1754) to 113 (28 Jun 1755).

British Museum: nos. 1 (5 May 1753) to 400 (27 Dec 1760), + ; also News, Boys, News! . . . (11 Apr 1753).

Press Club: no. 66 (3 Aug 1754); no. 185 (13 Nov 1756).

Yale University: nos. 1 (5 May 1753) to 130 (25 Oct 1755); also News, Boys, News! . . . (11 Apr 1753) and (25 Apr 1753).

New York Public Library: no. 69 (24 Aug 1754); no. 71 (7 Sep 1754); no. 75 (5 Oct 1754).

University of Chicago: nos. 1 (5 May 1753) to 139 (27 Dec 1755).
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116. The Plymouth Weekly-Journal: or, General-Post; Containing an Impartial Account Of all the most Material Occurrences Foreign and Domestick.
Fri; 6 pp.; 2 cols.

Plymouth, Printed by W. Kent, in Southside-Street, near the New-Key, . . . [By 25 Nov 1720]: Plymouth, Printed by E. Kent for W. Kent, in Southside-Street, near the New-Key, . . . [From 15 Dec 1721]: Plymouth, Printed by E. Kent, in Southside-Street, near the New-Key, . . .
Plymouth Public Library: vol. I, no. 9 (1 Dec 1721), def., to no. 14 (5 Jan 1722); no. 19 (9 Feb 1722); nos. 21 (23 Feb 1722) to 71 (8 Feb 1723), lacking eleven issues.
Plymouth Proprietary Library: vol. I, nos. 134 (26 Jun 1724) to 139 (31 Jul 1724); vol. II, nos. 1 (7 Aug 1724) to 32 (12 Mar 1725), lacking six issues, some issues def.
British Museum: nos. 36 (5 Sep 1718) to 97 (30 Dec 1720), eleven issues only, all but one def.; vol. I, no. 10 (8 Dec 1721), to no. 119 (3 Jan 1724), seven issues only, all but two def., plus three fragments.

117. The Plymouth Gazette.
[No. 1 (? 1759)]—before 14 Jan 1760.
Printed by [Orion?] Adams.
The imprint of the Western Flying-Post; or, Sherborne and Yeovil Mercury, no. 569 (14 Jan 1760), names "Mr.
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Adams, at the Printing-Office in Plymouth, late Printer of the Plymouth Paper.” In no. 574 of the Western Flying-Post (18 Feb 1760), the proprietor thanks the gentlemen of Exeter and Plymouth and in the rest of Devonshire and Cornwall “for their so effective Support of his Paper, that the Plymouth Gazette . . . has been obliged to cease.”

No copy found.

118. Plymouth and Exeter Gazette

?—1760—?

Mon.

A newspaper bearing this title is listed (with the abbreviation P.E.G.) among the papers cited in the Public Ledger, no. 1 (12 Jan 1760), and the next five issues; but the actual references in the Public Ledger are identified by the initials E.G. (for Exeter Gazette?), not P.E.G. One such reference is “a Tenement with good Wine Vaults at Exeter, see E.G. Jan 7”; another is “The Chandler’s Arms at Plymouth-Dock, see E.G. Jan. 7.” In no. 2 of the Public Ledger (14 Jan 1760), the abbreviation given for the Plymouth and Exeter Gazette is P.G. The paper referred to may be the Plymouth Gazette [item 117 in this Register] reported in the Western Flying-Post, no. 574 (18 Feb 1760), as no longer published.

No copy found.

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[?—vol. XVII, no. 736 (24 Feb 1752)—no. 768 (13 Nov 1752)—?

Mon.

Salisbury: Printed by Benjamin Collins, at the Printing-Office, and Booksellers Shop on the New Canal, . . .

This is a local edition of the Salisbury Journal [item 129 in this Register] unchanged except in title. But the composite title implies the earlier existence of a separate paper called the Portsmouth and Gosport Gazette.

Bodleian Library: vol. XVII, no. 736 (24 Feb 1752); no. 737 [misnumbered 736] (2 Mar 1752); no. 742 (20 Apr 1752); no. 747 (25 May 1752); no. 751 (22 Jun 1752); no. 760 (31 Aug 1752); no. 761 (18 Sep, N.S., 1752); no. 763 (9 Oct 1752); no. 768 (13 Nov 1752).

Preston


[No. 1 (3 Oct ? 1740)]—no. 16 (16 Jan 1741)—no. 307 (5 Sep 1745)—?

Fri.

Printed, and sold by W. Smith, at the Printing Office in Church Street, Preston, . . . [Imprint in no. 204 (24 Aug 1744) names William Smith and Anthony Devis as “Partners”]: At the Printing-Office, which is remov’d opposite the White Bull, in Church-Street, Preston; . . . [By 18
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Oct 1745: Preston: Printed by W. Smith, at the Printing-Office in Church-Street; . . .

Harris Public Library, Preston: no. 16 (16 Jan 1741); no. 103 (17 Sep 1742); no. 104 (24 Sep 1742); no. [?] (10 Feb 1744); no. 195 (22 Jun 1744); no. 281 (7 Mar 1746).


Private library of Kenneth Monkman, Esq., London: no. 204 (24 Aug 1744); no. 205 (31 Aug 1744); no. 256 (23 Aug 1745); no. 257 (30 Aug 1745); no. 264 (18 Oct 1745); no. 265 (25 Oct 1745); no. 267 (8 Nov 1745); no. 268 (15 Nov 1745); no. 270 (22 Nov to 20 Dec 1745); no. 271 (27 Dec 1745); no. 273 (10 Jan 1746); no. 278 (14 Feb 1746); nos. 280 (28 Feb 1746) to 282 (14 Mar 1746); nos. [284] (28 Mar 1746) to 288 (25 Apr 1746); no. 290 (9 May 1746); no. 293 (30 May 1746).

Private library of Richmond P. Bond, University of North Carolina: no. 120 (14 Jan 1743); no. 123 (4 Feb 1743); no. 159 (14 Oct 1743); no. 182 (23 Mar 1744); nos. 192 (1 Jun 1744) to 195 (22 Jun 1744); nos. 197 (6 Jul 1744) to 203 (17 Aug 1744); nos. 206 (7 Sep 1744) to 213 (26 Oct 1744); nos. 215 (9 Nov 1744) to 224 (11 Jan 1745), def.; no. 225 (18 Jan 1745); no. 227 (1 Feb 1745); no. 228 (8 Feb 1745); no. 231 (1 Mar 1745); no. 233 (15 Mar 1745); no. 234 (22 Mar 1745); no. 236 (5 Apr 1745); nos. 238 (19 Apr 1745) to 243 (23 May 1745); no. 247 (21 Jun 1745); no. 249 (5 Jul 1745); no. 250 (12 Jul 1745); no. 254 (9 Aug 1745).

121. The True British Courant; Or, Preston Journal. With News both Foreign and Domestick. [By 20 Sep 1745 con. as]: The True British Courant Or, Preston Journal.

[No. 1 (11 Jan ? 1745)]—no. 11 (22 Mar 1745)—no. 414 (26 Jan 1753)—?
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Harris Public Library, Preston: no. 11 (22 Mar 1745); no. 22 (7 Jun 1745); no. [37] (20 Sep 1745); no. 278 (8 Jun 1750); nos. 287 (10 Aug 1750) to 289 (24 Aug 1750); no. 313 (8 Feb 1751); no. 314 (15 Feb 1751); no. 399 (13 Oct 1752); no. 414 (26 Jan 1753), def.

Private Library of Kenneth Monkman, Esq., London: no. 14 (12 Apr 1745); no. 39 (4 Oct 1745); no. 43 (1 Nov 1745); no. 161 (11 Mar 1748).

Reading

122. The Reading Mercury, or, Weekly Entertainer. [By 10 Jul 1727 con. as]: The Reading Post: Or, The Weekly Mercury. [By 23 Jun 1729 con. as]: The Reading Post: Or, Weekly Mercury. [From 30 Aug 1736, according to announcement in the London Evening Post, no. 1370 (28 Aug 1736), con. as]: The Reading Mercury: Or, The London Spy. [By 21 Feb 1737 con. as]: The Reading Mercury: Or, London Spy. [By 6 Feb 1738 con. as]: The Reading Mercury: or, Weekly Post. [From 21 Oct 1745 con. as]: The Reading Mercury: and Oxford Gazette. [From 18 Nov 1745 con. as]: The Oxford Gazette: and Reading Mercury.

No. 1 (8 Jul 1723)—no. (?) (29 Dec 1760), + .

Mon; by 1 Feb 1724, Sat; by 10 Jul 1727, Mon.; 12 pp.; by 1 Feb 1724, 8 pp.; by 5 Jun 1725, 4 pp.; 2 cols.; by 23 Jun 1729, 3 cols.

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Reading: Printed by W. Parks, and D. Kinnier, next Door to the Saracen's Head, in High-street. [From 1 Feb 1724]: Reading: Printed by D. Kinnier, . . . [By 13 Mar 1725]: Reading. Printed by D. Kinnier, in London-street over against Mill-lane: . . . [By 10 Jul 1727]: Reading, Printed by W. Ayers in the Filber-Row; . . . [By 29 Apr 1728]: Reading; Printed, by W. Ayers, in Minster Street, . . . [By 26 May 1735]: Reading: Printed by W. Ayers in the Market-Place: . . . [By 21 Feb 1737]: Reading: Printed by W. Carnan, at the Printing-Office in the Market-Place; and sold by A. Pote, over-against the College in Eton; Mr. Elliot, in Newbury; by Judith [?] Titheridge, in Basingstoke, William Prier, in Winchester; Edward Easton, in Sarum, and by the Newsmen. . . . [By 2 Apr 1739]: Reading; Printed by Mary Carnan in the Market-Place: . . . [By 30 Apr 1739]: Reading: Printed by M. Carnan and Company in the Market-Place; . . . [By 30 Jul 1739]: Reading; Printed by J. Carnan and Comp. in the Market-Place; . . . [By 18 Aug 1739]: Reading; Printed by J. Carnan, near the Bible and Crown in the Market-Place: . . . [By 5 Nov 1739]: Reading; Printed by J. Carnan, for J. Newbery at the Bible and Crown in the Market-Place. . . . [By 2 Mar 1741]: Reading, Printed by J. Newbery and C. Micklewright, at the Bible and Crown in the Market-Place. . . . [By 9 Dec 1745]: Reading, Printed by C. Micklewright and Comp. at the Bible and Crown in the Market-Place. . . . [By 26 Nov 1753]: Reading; Printed by C. Micklewright at the Bible and Crown in the Market-Place. . . . [From 3 Nov 1755]: Reading, Printed by M. Micklewright at the Bible and Crown in the Market-Place. . . . [From 26 Jan 1756]: Reading, Printed by C. Pocock at the Bible and Crown in the Market-Place.

Reading Reference Library: vol. II, no. 90 (13 Mar 1725); vol. III, no. 7 (5 Jun 1725); no. 277 (21 Dec
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1730); no. 570 (5 Jan 1736); no. 581 (22 Mar 1736); no. 629 (21 Feb 1737); no. 669 (28 Nov 1737); nos. 4 (6 Feb 1738) to 72 (21 May 1739), eight issues only; no. 217 (25 Jan 1742); nos. 367 (20 Nov 1752) to 400 (9 Jul 1753), ten issues only; nos. 471 (11 Nov 1754) to 486 (24 Feb 1755), ten issues only; no. 591 (28 Feb 1757), def.

Office of the Reading Mercury: vol. I, no. 31 (1 Feb 1724); nos. 106 (7 Jan 1740) to 582 (27 Dec 1756), inc., some duplicates; nos. 697 (1 Jan 1759) to 748 (24 Dec 1759).

University of Reading Library: no. 200 (23 Jun 1729).

Private library of Powys Lybbe, Esq., Amersham: nos. 96 (10 Jul 1727) to 538 (19 [for 26] May 1735), nine issues only; nos. 65 (2 Apr 1739) to 558 (12 Jul 1756), fifty-four issues only.

Bodleian Library: vol. I, nos. 1 (8 Jul 1723) to 13 (30 Sep 1723), with some duplicates; no. 629 (21 Feb 1737); no. 204 (26 Oct 1741); nos. 323 (13 Feb 1744) to 134 (6 Jun 1748), lacking eight issues; no. 733 (10 Sep 1759); no. 750 (7 Jan 1760); no. 768 (12 May 1760), +.


Private library of R. M. Wiles: no. 16 (3 Mar 1746).

123. The Reading Journal. [By 23 Jul 1744 con. as]: The Reading Journal; or Weekly Review. [By 10 Mar 1746 con. as]: Henry’s Reading Journal; or Weekly Review.

[No. 1 (27 Sep ? 1736)]—no. 128 (5 Mar 1739)—no. 231 (15 Feb 1748)—?

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Reading: Printed by D. Henry, in Frier-street, . . . [By 23 Jul 1744]: Printed by D. Henry, and publish'd at his House in Frier-Street, Reading, and at his Office the Upper End of the Church yard in Winchester, . . . and also by Mr. Prior Bookseller, . . . [By 10 Mar 1746]: Reading: Printed by D. Henry, and publish'd at his House in Frier-street; and Sold at his Office at the Upper End of the Church-Walk at Winchester. . . . This Paper is Sold likewise by Mr. Wise, Bookseller at Newport in the Isle of Wight, . . . Also by Mr. Prior, Bookseller at Winchester. . . .

A Winchester edition of this paper, differing only in title, was issued in 1746. See item 141 in this Register.

Reading Reference Library: nos. 128 (5 Mar 1739) and 130 (19 Mar. 1739); nos. 42 (23 Jul 1744) to 231 (15 Feb 1748), thirty-two issues only.

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[No. 1 (18 Mar 1717)]—vol. II, no. 1 (20 Jan 1718)—vol. II, no. 36 (16 Feb 1719)—?

Mon; 12 pp.; single col.

St. Ives in Huntingdonshire: Printed by J. Fisher, . . .

Bodleian Library: vol. II, nos. 1 (20 Jan 1718) to 17 (19 May 1719); nos. 19 (2 Jun 1718) to 21 (16 Jun 1718).

A notice in number 2 (23 June 1718) ends thus: "... I have alter'd the Form of my Paper from Folio, to Quarto, I being inform'd by some, that they have been used to that Method."

St. Ives in Huntingdonshire: Printed by R. Raikes. [By 19 Jan 1719]: St. Ives in Huntingdonshire: Printed by R. Raikes, in Water-Lane, near the Bridge, ...

Bodleian Library: vol. I, nos. 2 (23 June 1718) to 11 (25 Aug 1718); nos. 13 (8 Sep 1718) to 26 (8 Dec 1718); nos. 28 (22 Dec. 1718) to 32 (19 Jan 1719); no. 35 (9 Feb 1719); no. 36 (16 Feb 1719).

126. St. Ives Mercury: or, the Impartial Intelligencer, being A Collection of the most Material occurrences, Foreign and Domestick. Together with An Account of Trade.

[No. 1 (12 Oct ? 1719)—no. 6 (16 Nov 1719)—?

Mon; 12 pp.; single col.

St. Ives, in Huntingdonshire: Printed by William Dicey, near the Bridge, ...

Norris Library and Museum, St. Ives: vol. I, no. 6 (16 Nov 1719).

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127. The Salisbury Post Man: or, Packet of Intelligence, from France, Spain, Portugal, &c.

No. 1 (27 Sep 1715)—[no. 40 (1 Mar 1716)]—?
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Mon, Thu, and Sat; 6 pp.; 2 cols.

Printed by Sam. Farley, at his office adjoyning to Mr. Robert Silcocks, on the Ditch in Sarum, Anno 1715.

It should be noted that, although the title page of no. 1 is dated Saturday, 27 September 1715, that date was not Saturday but Tuesday. Possibly the date of no. 1 should be Saturday, 17 September 1715, or Saturday, 24 September 1715.

No. 40 (1 Mar 1716) was mentioned by Robert Benson and Henry Hatcher, Old and New Sarum, or Salisbury (London: Nichols, 1843), p. 509, as then in existence.

Office of Salisbury and Winchester Journal: no. 1 (27 Sep 1715), title page and verso (blank) only; no. [?] (24 Nov ? 1715), pp. 3, 4 only, containing news from the St. James's Evening Post and other London newspapers dated Tuesday, 22 November 1715.

128. The Salisbury Journal Containing the most Material Occurrences both Foreign and Domestick.

[No. 1 (2 Jun ? 1729)—no. 58 (6 Jul 1730).

Mon.

Sarum: Printed by Charles Hooton at the Printing-Office in Milford-Street, . . .

This notice appeared in no. 58 (6 Jul 1730):

N.B. This Paper not being encouraged according to Expectation: I shall from this Time decline it; [but] all other Printing Business will be perform'd after the best Manner.

By Yours, &c. Charles Hooton.

Office of Salisbury and Winchester Journal: no. 58 (6 Jul 1730).

129. The Salisbury Journal Containing the most Material Occurrences both Foreign and Domestick. [From 4 Dec
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1736 con. as]: The Salisbury Journal. [From 27 Feb 1739 con. as]: The Salisbury Journal; or, Weekly Advertiser. [From 11 Jun 1750 con. as]: The Salisbury Journal.

No. 1 (27 Nov 1736)—vol. XXV, no. 1182 (29 Dec 1760), + .

Sat; from 31 Jan 1737, usually Mon, occasionally Sat; from 27 Feb 1739, Tue; by 2 Jul 1746, Mon. This note appeared in no. 43 (19 Sep 1737);

The publishing this Paper as usual, on Saturday Evening, being attended with many Inconveniences, the same will be published, after the last day of this Month, on every Tuesday Morning, so that the fresh­est Intelligence by Monday's Post will by that means be inserted, and the same sooner and better Con­veyed to our Readers.

But the paper continued to bear Monday dates until 27 February 1739.


This notice appeared in no. 195 (20 Oct 1741):

* * * Benjamin Collins, Bookseller and Stationer, at the Bible and Crown in Silver Street, is remov'd higher up, into the Corner Shop, fronting the Poul­try Cross (last in the Occupation of Mr. Thomas Smith, Apothecary), . . .

This notice appeared in no. 539 (9 May 1748):

This is to acquaint the Public, that the Printing-Office, Stamp-Office, and Booksellers Shop, By Ben­jamin Collins, Which Were at the Corner House op­posite to the Poultry-Cross, in this City, are now

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moved from thence to the Ncw-Canal, (formerly call'd the Ditch) and into the House late in the Possession of Messieurs Tatum and Still, Apothecaries, being the same which Mr. Rawlins Hillman, Apothecary, deceas'd, formerly liv'd in. . . .

For Portsmouth and Gosport edition of this paper, see item 119 in this Registrar.

Office of the Salisbury and Winchester Journal: vol. XVII, no. 730 (13 Jan 1752), to vol. XXV, no. 1178 (1 Dec 1760), inc., + .

Salisbury and Wiltshire Museum, Salisbury: vol. IX, no. 389 (2 Jul 1745), to vol. XIX, no. 851 (28 Aug 1754), five issues only.

Private library of Donald Mulcock, Esq., Salisbury: nos. 51 (15 Jan 1739) to 205 (29 Dec 1741), inc.; odd issues for 1742, 1743, 1745, 1747-50, 1758-60, and later.

Wiltshire Archaeological and Natural History Society, Devizes: nos. 427 (24 Mar 1746) to 597 (19 June 1749).

Bath Reference Library: vol. XXI, no. 969 (29 Nov 1756); vol. XXIII, no. 1044 (8 May 1758), to vol. XXIV, no. 1095 (30 Apr 1759); vol. XXV, nos. 1152 (2 Jun 1760) to 1182 (29 Dec 1760), lacking thirteen issues, +.

Bristol Reference Library: vol. XI, no. 404 (15 Oct. 1745), to vol. XIX, no. 859 (21 Oct 1754), seven issues only.

British Museum: vol. VII, no. 324 (10 Apr 1744); vol. IX, no. 372 (12 Mar 1745); no. 373 (19 Mar 1745); vol. XV, no. 577 (30 Jan 1749), def.; no. 633 (28 Feb 1750) to vol. XIX, no. 829 (25 Mar 1754), inc.

Press Club: vol. II, no. 76 (10 Jul 1739); no. 96 (27 Nov 1739).

Yale University Library: no. 1 (27 Nov 1736) to vol. XXV, no. 1182 (29 Dec 1760), +.
130. Lister's Sheffield Weekly Journal. [By 20 Jan 1756 con. as]: Sheffield Weekly Journal: Or, Doncaster Flying-Post.

[No. 1 (23 Apr 1754)]—no. 42 (18 Feb 1755)—no. 172 (16 Aug 1757)—?

Tue.

Colophon of no. 42 (18 Feb 1755): Subscriptions and Advertisements for this Paper are taken in, By Mr. Simon's, in Sheffield; Mr. Richard Eyre, in Rotherham; Mr. Inman, in Doncaster; Mr. J. Smith, in Barnsley; Mr. Stringer, in Wakefield; Messrs. Edwards and Binns, in Halifax; Mr. Topham, in Bradford; Mr. Birkbeck, in Settle; Mr. Crowther, in Skipton; Mr. Parker, in Keighley; Mr. Brooke, in Huddersfield; Mr. A. Frith, the Halifax Carrier; Mr. Haigh, in Peniston; Mr. Hallam, in Stoney-Middleton; Mr. Bromwell, the Tideswell Carrier; Mr. John Cooper, at Eyam, and at his Shop in Tideswell; Mr. Hallgate, the Buxton Carrier; Mr. Roe, the Bakewell and Wirksworth Carrier; Mr. Frith, in Chesterfield; Mr. Monk, in Mansfield, and at his Shop in Worksop every Wednesday; Mr. William Mycock, the Doncaster Post; and by F. Lister, Printer, opposite the Cross-Daggers, in Sheffield. . . .

Colophon of no. 90 (20 Jan 1756): Subscriptions and Advertisements are taken in at the Printing Office, in Doncaster; Mr. Simmons, Bookseller, in Sheffield; Mr. Richard Whipp, Peruke maker, in Halifax[ ; ] Mr. Brooke, Bookseller, in Huddersfield; Mr. Stringer, Bookseller, and Mr. Robert Parker, in Wakefield; Mr. Richard Topham, in Bradford; Mr. Birbeck [ so ], in Settle; Mr. Crowther,
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Bookseller, in Skipton; Mr. Parker in Keighley; Mr. Haigh, in Peniston; Mr. John Cooper, in Eyam, and at his Shop in Tiddeswall; Mr. Frith, Dyer, and Mr. S. Lee, in Chesterfield; Mr. Joseph Heath, Bookseller, in Nottingham, and at his Shop in Mansfield, every market-day; Mr. William Wilson, Perukemaker, in Rotherham; Thomas Battersby, at Anston; Mr. Saunderson, in Bawtry; Mr. Colson, in Retford; Mr. Saunderson, Bookseller, in Pontefract; Mr. Joseph Smith, in Barnsley, and Revel Homfray's Printing-Office, opposite to the Cock, in the High-Street, Sheffield, and the Persons who carry this News. . . . [Slight changes in later issues.]

Under title of no. 90 and later issues: Printed by Revel Homfray, in High-Street.

Manuscript note, perhaps contemporary, on copy of prospectus at Central Public Library, Halifax, gives 23 Apr 1754 as starting date, though a reckoning back from no. 42 (18 Feb 1755) indicates 7 May 1754 as probable date of the first issue.

In August, 1755, this paper and the Doncaster Flying-Post (item 39 in this Register) were consolidated.

This notice appeared in no. 98 (16 Mar 1756):

All Persons indebted to the Effects of the late Francis Lister, Printer, deceas'd, are hereby required to pay them before the 16th Day of April next, to Margaret Lister, of Sheffield, the Widow and Administratrix of the said Deceased. . . .

Central Library, Sheffield: no. 149 (8 Mar 1757); no. 172 (16 Aug 1757).

Central Public Library, Halifax: prospectus.

York Minster Library: No. 42 (18 Feb 1755); no. 90 (20 Jan 1756); no. 94 (17 Feb 1756); no. 98 (16 Mar. 1756).
131. The Public Advertiser (Sheffield).

[No. 1 (29 Apr ? 1760)—no. 11 (8 Jul 1760)—no. 35 (23 Dec 1760), + .

Tue.


Colophon of no. 21 (16 Sep 1760): Sheffield: Printed by William Ward, by whom Advertisements are taken in. Advertisements are also taken in, and the Paper may be had of Mr. Darby in Halifax; Mr. Bull, in Wakefield, Mr. Rawson, in Hull, Beverley, and Howden; Mr. Eyre, in Thorne; Mr. Hodgson, in Doncaster; Mr. Bower, in Bawtry, Tickhill, and Blyth; Mr. Thompson, in Gainsbro'; Mr. Batterby, in Worksop; Mr. Stavely, in Chesterfield; Mr. Wilson in Rotherdam; Mr. Bent, in Barnsley; Mr. Nutter, in Bradford; Mr. Binns, in Huthersfield; Mr. Dearden, at Cullingworthgate; Mr. Parker, in Keighly; Mr. Kidd, in Pontefract; Mr. Toothil, in Bakewell, and Tideswell; at 2s. 6d. the Quarter.

Under title of no. 11 (8 Jul 1760) in Central Library, Sheffield: Printed for, and Sold by, J. Bull, in Wakefield, where Advertisements are taken in for this Paper.

Under title of no. 21 (16 Sep 1760) and later issues in York Minster Library: Printed: for and sold by P. Darby, in Halifax, where Advertisements are taken in for this Paper.

Central Library, Sheffield: no. 11 (8 Jul 1760).
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York Minster Library: nos. 21 (16 Sep 1760) to 35 (23 Dec 1760).

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132. The Sherborne Mercury, or Weekly Advertiser; Containing the freshest Accounts of all Publick Transactions both at Home and Abroad. [From 30 Jan 1749, upon amalgamation with The Western Flying Post, or Yeovil Mercury, con. with new numbering as]: The Western Flying-Post; or, Sherborne and Yeovil Mercury.

[No. 1 (21 Feb 1737)]—no. 16 (7 Jun 1737)—vol. XII, no. 623 (23 Jan 1749)—vol. I, no. 1 (30 Jan 1749)—vol. XII, no. 622 (29 Dec 1760), + .

Mon; by 7 Jun 1737, Tue; from 3 Feb 1746, Mon.

Printed at Sherborne by W. Bettinson and G. Price. ... [By 1 Jan 1740]: Printed at Sherborne, by William Bettinson, from London, ... [On 1 Sep 1746]: Printed at Sherborne, by J. Bettinson and Comp. from London. [From 8 Sep 1746]: Printed at Sherborne, by H. Bettinson and Comp. from London. ... [From 30 Jan 1749]: Printed at Sherborne, by R. Goadby and Comp. from London. [By 4 Aug 1755]: Sherborne: Printed by R. Goadby, ...

The advertisement, dated 19 Feb 1737, announcing that the Sherborne Mercury would begin on Monday, 21 Feb 1737, and giving the full title (as at the head of this item) is reprinted in part by L. E. J. Brooke, Esq., in Somerset Newspapers 1725-1960 (privately printed in Yeovil, 1960), p. 62 f.

This announcement was printed under the date line of vol. XII, no. 623 (23 Jan 1749):
The Proprietors of the SHERBORNE MERCURY, or WEEKLY ADVERTISER, and of the WESTERN FLYING-POST, or YEOVIL MERCURY, beg leave to inform the Publick, that they have agreed to unite the said Papers, to begin the Sixth of February and to print and publish them at Sherborne, under the Title of the SHERBORNE and YEOVIL MERCURY, which, by means of this Union, will be render'd the most numerous and extensive Paper in Great Britain. All Persons therefore who may have Occasion to advertise in the said Sherborne and Yeovil Mercury, are desired to send their Advertisements to R. GOADBY and Company, at the Printing-Office in Sherborne aforesaid; where Printing Business of every Sort is perform'd in the neatest Manner, and on the most reasonable Terms.

H. Bettsinson
R. Goadby.

N. B. The Printing-Office is remov'd from Yeovil to Sherborne, and the Printing business carried on there only.

A note under the title in vol. V, no. 250 (10 Dec 1753), begins thus:

This Paper is distributed every Week, in great Numbers, in all the CITIES, TOWNS, VILLAGES, PARISHES, &c. of the four GREAT Western Counties, so noted for their Populousness, Viz. Dorset, Somerset, Devon, and Cornwall, in which no other Paper is circulated; besides Part of Wiltshire. . . .

Office of the Western Gazette, Yeovil: vol. III, no. 150 (1 Jan 1740), to vol. XII, no. 622 (29 Dec 1760), inc., + .

Exeter Public Library: vol. XI, no. 545 (27 Jul 1747), to vol. XII, no. 617 (12 Dec 1748), eleven issues only; vol. VIII, no. 385 (12 Jul 1756), to vol. IX, no. 416 (7 Feb 1757), nine issues only; vol. X, no. 470 (20 Feb 1758); no. 506 (6 Nov 1758); vol. XI, no. 516 (15 Jan 1760), to vol. XII, no. 583 (21 Apr 1760), seven issues only, + .

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Bodleian Library: no. 16 (7 Jun 1737); no. 535 (18 May 1747).

Oxford University Press Ephemeral Collection: vol. VII, no. 350 (1 Nov 1743); no. 362 (24 Jan 1744); no. 363 (31 Jan 1744); nos. 365 (14 Feb 1744) to 396 (18 Sep 1744).

British Museum: vol. IX, no. 482 (12 May 1746), def.; vol. XII, no. 588 (23 May 1748); vol. VII, no. 316 (17 Mar 1755); no. 330 (23 Jun 1755); no. 336 (4 Aug 1755); no. 338 (18 Aug 1755).

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133. [A Collection of all the Material News]

1705?

2 pp.

[Printed and sold by Thomas Jones at his house in Hill's Lane, near Mardol.]

The title and imprint here given are those recorded by T. W. Hancock in "The First Shrewsbury Newspaper," *Bye-Gones, relating to Wales and the Border Counties 1880-1* (Oswestry: Caxton Works, n.d.), p. 240. From the single issue which he had seen, Hancock quoted a paragraph of news concerning the Duke of Marlborough's visit to Woodstock "to give his last instructions about building his palace, being to go immediately to Holland, on the French army's moving on the Rhine." This indicates that the date of the Shrewsbury paper was some time between Parliament's granting of the Woodstock property to Marlborough on 14 March 1705 and the Duke's departure for Holland on Friday, 30 March 1705; but the Duke was in England again from Satur-
day, 30 December 1705, to Friday, 12 April 1706, and the report may belong to March or April, 1706.
No copy found.

STAMFORD

134. The Stamford-Post, Or an Account of the most Material News, Foreign and Domestick, to which is added the Weekly Miscellany. [By 17 Jul 1712 con. as]: The Stamford-Post, Or an Account of the most Material News, Foreign and Domestick.

[No. 1 (8 Jun ? 1710)]—[no. 82 (3 Jan 1712)]—[no. 97 (17 Apr 1712)]— no. 112 (31 Jul 1712)—?
Thu; 2 pp. (but see note below; complete copy may have had 4 pp.)
Printed at Stamford, Lincolnshire.
Title of issues not seen are here taken from the Lincoln, Rutland and Stamford Mercury of 4 May 1860, which quotes the following paragraph from the front page of no. 97:

Whereas this Paper is designed to be continued for the future on a whole Sheet viz. The News on the one half Sheet and a Miscellany on the other, consisting of the Heads of any material, pamphlet, or paper that is published in London, and several other useful and diverting subjects. These are therefore to give notice to such Gentlemen as are willing either to instruct or divert the public, if they please to send any subject prose or verse: It shall be thankfully received and carefully incerted.

See Jos. Phillips, “A Pioneer Newspaper,” Notes and Queries, Ser. 8, VI (24 Nov 1894), 418, and notes by
C. L. Exley now in the Lincolnshire Archives office, Exchequer Gate, Lincoln (Ex. 16).

All Souls’ College Library, Oxford: no. 110 (17 Jul 1712); no. 112 (31 Jul 1712).


[No. 1 (? 1713)]—vol. III, no. 43 (13 May 1714)—vol. XXXIX, no. 9 (2 Mar 1732)—[vol. XL (?), no. (?) (13 Jul 1732)]—?

Thu; 12 pp.; by 4 Jan 1728, 8 pp.; single col., except advertisements, which from 1728 are in two columns.


A minute in the Corporation records of Stamford, transcribed by H. L. Evans (editor of the Lincoln, Rutland and Stamford Mercury from 1920 to 1950) in his pamphlet, History of the “Stamford Mercury” (n.d.), refers to Baily and Thompson as “printers liveing in Saint Martin’s in the County of North’ton” and indicates
that they were “admitted to be free of this Corporation” on condition that they came to live in the borough before the following Michaelmas, that for the next seven years they printed the official forms used by the Corporation, that for the distributing of their newspaper they employed only such poor persons as were recommended to them by the mayor, and that they gave security “to save the Towne harmless from their respective charges.” The minute is dated 15 January 1714, though the two men had apparently been printing the *Stamford Mercury* for some months before that date.

For the relation between this paper and Howgrave’s *Stamford Mercury* [item 136 in this Register], see A. Adcock, *Notes and Queries*, Ser. 11, VII (14 June 1913), 471-72. Letters from the 6 July and 13 July issues of this paper, reprinted in the *Northampton Mercury*, vol. XIII, no. 13 (17 Jul 1732), indicate that the Baily-Thompson newspaper continued to appear for several weeks after Howgrave’s paper was established. *Howgrave’s Stamford Mercury* cannot be regarded as a continuation of the *Stamford Mercury* which started its life in 1713.

This notice is in vol. VII, no. 3 (19 Jan 1716):

*Lincoln, Rutland and Stamford Mercury* office: vol. III, no. 43 (13 May 1714), to vol. XXIV, no. 17 (15 Oct 1724), inc., with many duplicates; vol. XXV, no. 16 (22 Apr [1729]), to vol. XXXVII, no. 1 (7 Jan 1731), five issues only; vol. XXXVIII, nos. 1 (1 Jul [1731]) to 26 (30
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Dec [1731]), lacking one issue; vol. XXXIX, nos. 8 (24 Feb 1732) and 9 (2 Mar 1732).

Lincolnshire Archives Office, Lincoln: vol. XXXI, no. 3 (18 Jan [1728]), to vol. XXXIII, no. 16 (17 Apr [1729]), lacking eight issues.

Bodleian Library: vol. XXI, no. 23 (6 Jun 1723).

All Souls' College Library, Oxford: vol. VI, no. 2 (7 Jul 1715); vol. VII, no. 25 (21 Jun 1716), to vol. VIII, no. 10 (30 Aug 1716), six issues only; vol. XI, no. 11 (13 Mar 1718); vol. XVI, no. 14 (29 Sep 1720).


British Museum: vol. XI, nos. 21 (22 May 1718) to 24 (12 Jun 1718); vol. XX, no. 1 (28 Jun 1722); no. 2 (5 Jul 1722); nos. 9 (23 Aug 1722) to 27 (27 Dec 1722); vol. XXXI, no. 1 (4 Jan [1728]), to vol. XXXII, no. 25 (26 Dec [1728]).

Private library of W. B. Morrell, Esq., London: vol. IV, no. 23 (21 Oct 1714); no. 24 (28 Oct 1714); vol. XI, no. 7 (13 Feb 1718).


136. Howgrave's Stamford Mercury. [From 22 Apr 1736 con. as]: The Stamford Mercury.

No. 1 (15 Jun [1732])—end of 1760, + .

Thu.

Printed by Francis Howgrave at Stamford in Lincolnshire.

Lincoln, Rutland and Stamford Mercury office: nos. 44 (12 Apr 1733) to 213 (8 Jul 1736), twelve issues only; nos. 217 (5 Aug 1736) to 812 (4 Jun 1747), lacking one issue; no. 945 (28 Dec 1749); no. 1193 (10 Oct 1754).
Lindsey and Holland County Library, Lincoln: nos. 1 (15 Jun 1732) to 200 (8 Apr 1736); nos. 202 (22 Apr 1736) to 392 (27 Dec. 1739).
Bodleian Library: no. 26 (6 Dec 1732).
Yale University Library: no. 93 (21 Mar 1734); nos. 302 (6 Apr 1738) to 346 (8 Feb 1739), eight issues only.

STRATFORD-UPON-AVON

137. The Stratford, Shipston, and Aulcester Journal. [By 9 Mar 1752 con. as]: Keating's Stratford and Warwick Mercury; or, Cirencester Shipston and Alcester Weekly Journal.


Mon.

Stratford upon Avon, Printed by J. Keating: Printer, and Bookseller, opposite the Cross; . . . [By 23 Mar 1752]: Stratford upon Avon Printed by J. Keating, at the Printing Office, and Booksellers Shop opposite the Cross. Where Advertisements are taken in, and at his Shops, at Shipston and Alcester: and by the Men who distribute this Paper. . . .

Under imprint in no. 1:

".* As an Encouragement to Advertise in this Paper, the Public are desired to take Notice, that it is now Substituted in the Room of the Oxford and Cirencester Flying Posts, and Circulated in Warwickshire, Gloucestershire, Oxfordshire, and Worcestershire and deliver'd for 30 Miles round, and at Oxford the same Day.
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By 23 Mar 1752 this notice ends thus: . . . Oxfordshire; and delivered at Oxford, Cirencester, Worcester, Warwick, Birmingham and their neighbouring Villages, &c.

Shakespeare Memorial Library, Stratford-upon-Avon: vol. I, no. 1 (5 Feb 1750); vol. III, no. 114 (9 Mar 1752); no. 116 (23 Mar 1752); vol. IV, no. 178 (9 Apr 1753); no. 189 (18 Jun 1753); no. 210 (12 Nov 1753).

TAUNTON

[No. 1 (21 May ? 1725)]—20th week (1 Oct 1725)—138th week (5 Jan 1728)?
Tue and Fri, issues overlapping in contents; 2 cols.; from 9 Jun 1727, 3 cols.

Printed in Taunton, by William Norris. [From 14 Jul 1727]: Printed in Taunton, by William Norris. And Publish'd every Tuesday and Friday.

Somerset Archaeological and Natural History Society, Taunton: Friday issues: 20th week (1 Oct 1725); 30th week (10 Dec 1725); 31st week (17 Dec 1725); 45th week (25 Mar 1726) to 53rd week (20 May 1726); 56th week (10 Jun 1726) to 85th week (30 Dec 1726); 98th week (31 Mar 1727) to 106th week (26 May 1727); 108th week (9 Jun 1727) to 112th week (7 Jul 1727); 113th [mis-numbered 112th] week (14 Jul 1727); 121st week (8 Sep 1727); 122nd week (15 Sep 1727); 124th week (29th Sep 1727) to 126th week (13 Oct 1727); 137th week (29 Dec 1727); 138th week (5 Jan 1728). Tuesday issues: 113th week (11 Jul 1727); 114th week (18 Jul 1727).
139. Eyres's Weekly Journal, or, the Warrington Advertiser.  
[No. 1 (23 Mar ? 1756)]—no. 7 (4 May 1756)—no. 19  
(27 Jul 1756)—?

Tue.  
Warrington: Printed by Thomas and William Eyres, . . .
The actual wood block used in printing one of the two  
cuts flanking the title is at the Warrington Museum.  
Warrington Municipal Library: nos. 7 (4 May 1756) to  
9 (18 May 1756); nos. 15 (29 Jun 1756) to 17 (13 Jul  
1756); no. 19 (27 Jul 1756).

WHITEHAVEN

140. The Whitehaven Weekly Courant Containing the most  
Material Advices Both Foreign and Domestick.  
[No. 1 (16 Dec ? 1736)]—[no. 6 (20 Jan 1737)]—?

Thu.  
Whitehaven, Printed and Sold by Thomas Cotton. Also  
sold at Mr. Edward Holms Shop in Kendal. . . .

Title, date, and imprint of no. 6 given here are taken  
from notes made in 1884 by William Jackson and now at  
the Carlisle Public Library. An advertisement transcribed  
in those notes indicates that a popular elixir was sold by  
Cotton “at his Printing House in James Street, next door  
but two to the Meeting-house, and near the Market  
Place in Whitehaven.” See Transactions of the Cumber-  

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land and Westmorland Antiquarian & Archaeological Society, XIV (1897).

No copy found; but excerpts from no. 6 are reprinted in the Cumberland Pacquet of 21 November 1848.

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141. Henry's Winchester Journal; or Weekly Review.

[No. 1 (31 Oct ? 1743)]—[no. 84 (3 Jun 1745)]—no. 128 (31 Mar 1746)—no. 166 (8 Dec 1746)—?

Mon.

Reading: Printed by D. Henry, and publish'd at his House in Frier-street, and Sold at his Office at the Upper End of the Church Walk at Winchester, . . . This Paper is Sold likewise also by Mr. Wise, Bookseller in the Isle of Wight, . . .

This paper is a local edition of Henry's Reading Journal; or Weekly Review [item 123 in this Register], unchanged except in title. No. 84 (3 Jun 1745) is included by F. A. Edwards in “A List of Hampshire Newspapers,” Hampshire Antiquary and Naturalist, I (1891), 94-97.

Reading Reference Library: no. 166 (8 Dec 1746).

Yale University Library: no. 128 (31 Mar 1746); no. 142 (30 Jun 1746).

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142. The Worcester Post-Man: containing The Heads of all the Remarkable Occurrences, both Foreign and Domes-

[No. 1 (17 Jun ? 1709)]—no. 85 (2 Feb 1711)—no. 185 (9 Jan 1713)—no. 2681 (25 Dec 1760), + .

Fri; from 14 Apr 1748, Thu; 2 pp.; by 9 Jan 1713, 6 pp.; from 30 Apr 1725, 4 pp.; single col.; from 30 Apr 1725, 2 cols.; by Nov. 1732, 3 cols.

[By 2 Feb 1711]: VVorcester: Printed by S. Bryan. 1711. [By 30 Apr 1725]: Worcester: Printed by Stephen Bryan. . . . [14 Apr 1748]: Worcester: Printed by H. Berrow, at the Printing Office late Mr. Bryan’s, . . . [From 21 Apr 1748]: Worcester: Printed by H. Berrow, at the Printing-Office in Goose-Lane, near the Cross; . . . [From 11 Oct 1753]: Printed at his Office in Goose-Lane, near the Cross.

It has been asserted that this paper, or a predecessor of this paper, was established as early as 1690. The only basis for that assertion appears to be a passage in Valentine Green, *The History and Antiquities of the City and Suburbs of Worcester* (2 vols.; London: Bulmer, 1796), a passage which is not in Green’s earlier work, *A Survey of the City of Worcester* . . . (Worcester: J. Butler for S. Gamidge, 1764). On pages 25 and 26 of the second 1796 volume, Green recorded a conjecture made more than a century after the alleged event, but he presented no evidence:

From the best information, it is conjectured that a public paper was established in Worcester as early as the commencement of the Revolution. . . . This was, doubtless, the period that gave birth to the
Worcester Weekly Paper. . . . It is uncertain, however, in what order of succession these publications were first issued, whether monthly or weekly, on what day of the month or week or in what form, folio, quarto, or otherwise; but in June, 1709, they assumed a regular and orderly appearance, in a small folio, containing six pages, which formed a weekly number, published every Friday, and were printed by Stephen Bryan, under the title of "the Worcester Postman".

Green gave no hint of what he meant by "the best information." The earliest Worcester newspaper he had seen, he said, was no. 339 of the Worcester Post-Man, dated 23 Dec 1715. He had no actual knowledge—not, apparently, has anyone else—of a Worcester newspaper printed in the seventeenth century.

It is worth noting that in the Gloucester Journal, no. 53 (8 Apr 1723), the assertion is made that the news in that paper was fresher than that in the Worcester Post-Man, "which has been publish'd at least 14 Years." This remark does not prove anything; but it is to be supposed that in directing attention to their rival's longer period of experience the publishers of the Gloucester paper would have gone as far as the facts permitted. Certainly Stephen Bryan's Worcester Post-Man did not begin before 1709. When his death was announced in the Worcester Journal on 23 Jun 1748, reference was made to his having been the printer of the paper "near Forty Years."

Worcester Public Library: nos. 185 (9 Jan 1713) to 641 (8 Oct 1721), nearly complete; nos. 746 (11 Oct 1723) to 756 (20 Dec 1723); no. 820 (12 Mar 1725); nos. 827 (30 Apr 1725) to 914 (30 Dec 1726); nos. 1281 (11 Jan 1734) to 1453 [sic] (23 Jul 1736), lacking fifteen issues; nos. 1431 (26 Nov 1736) to 1566 (29 Jun 1739), nine issues only; nos. 1699 (22 Jan 1742) to 1748 (31 Dec 1742), nineteen issues only; nos. 1801 (6 Jan 1744)
to 1851 (28 Dec 1744), lacking nine issues; nos. 1904 (3 Jan 1746) to 2680 (18 Dec 1760), nearly complete.

Office of Berrow's Newspapers, Ltd.: nos. 394 (11 Jan 1717) to 496 (28 Dec 1718); no. 761 (24 Jan 1724); nos. 1203 (14 Jul 1732) to 1278 (21 Dec 1733); nos. 1573 (17 Aug 1739) to 1685 (16 Oct 1741); no. 1688 (6 Nov 1741); nos. 1699 (22 Jan 1742) to 1955 (26 Dec 1746); nos. 2021 (14 Apr 1748) to 2526 (29 Dec 1757).

University of Reading Library: nos. 292 (28 Jan 1715) to 334 (18 Nov 1715), def., lacking three issues; no. 1551 (16 Mar 1739).

Birmingham Public Library: no. 2386 (24 Apr 1755).

Bodleian Library: no. 1355 (13 Jun 1735).

Oxford University Press Ephemeral Collection: no. 291 (21 Jan 1715); no. 687 (24 Aug 1722).

British Museum: no. 85 (2 Feb 1711); nos. 339 (23 Dec 1715) to 422 (26 Jul 1717), def., lacking eight issues; no. 924 (10 Mar 1727); no. 942 (14 Jul 1727); no. 961 (24 Nov 1727).

New York Public Library: no. 1274 (23 Nov 1733).

143. The New Worcester Journal.
[No. 1 (Nov? 1753)]—?

Wed.

Berrow's Worcester Journal, no. 2310 (8 Nov 1753), has a declaration of opposition to "the Publication of a News-Paper (on a Wednesday) by a Person who has not the least Right to exercise the Art of Printing, he having serv'd no Apprenticeship at all thereto, nor hath otherwise had an Opportunity of acquainting himself with the Nature thereof." Satiric verses in Berrow's Worcester Journal, no. 2318 (20 Dec 1753), addressed "To the New Printer (as he calls himself)" identify him as Richard ["Brother Dick"] Lewis.

No copy found.
YARMOUTH

144. The Yarmouth Gazette.
May ? 1707—1712?

The existence of a paper with this title is established by
an announcement which appeared in Henry Cross-
grove's Norwich Gazette [item 102 in this Register], no.
29 (24 May 1707), and later issues:

This is to give Notice, That there is a Newspaper
Publisht Weekly at Yarmouth, Intituled the YAR-
MOUTH GAZETTE, and for the Benefit of the
Publick, all Persons that put Advertisements into
the NORWICH GAZETTE, Printed by Henry
Cross-grove in Magdalen-street, shall have them put
into the YARMOUTH GAZETTE for Nothing, and
that as often as they put them in the Norwich Ga-
zeatte, if they desire it.

This Yarmouth Gazette may have been the regular Nor-
wich Gazette with the place name changed in the title.
With no. 31 (7 Apr 1707) the announcement printed
above was modified to begin thus:

This is to give Notice, That there is a Newspaper
Published and Sold Weekly in the Town of Yar-
mouth, every Market-day, intituled the Yarmouth
Gazette, . . .

By August, 1712, the title of the Norwich Gazette Or the
Loyal Packet was followed by the words, “To be Pub-
lished Weekly in Norwich and Great Yarmouth,” a
phrase which would be equally appropriate whether
some copies were printed with “Yarmouth” instead of
“Norwich” in the title or not. The Norwich Gazette of
30 Apr 1712 has title blocks representing (on the left)
the arms of Norwich and (on the right) the arms of
Yarmouth.

No copy found.
145. [The Yarmouth Post].
[No. 351 (22 May 1708)]—?
Sat; 2 cols.
Norwich, Printed by E. Burges, near the Red-Well, . . .
Evidence that Elizabeth Burges, printer of the Norwich Post, issued a Yarmouth edition, probably with special title but otherwise unchanged from the regular edition, is in the notice printed in the Norwich Post, no. 351 (22 May 1708). See item 101 in this Register.
No copy found.

YEovIL

146. The Western Flying Post, or Yeovil Mercury. [From 30 Jan 1749, upon amalgamation with the Sherborne Mercury, or Weekly Advertiser, con., with new numbering, as]: The Western Flying-Post; or, Sherborne and Yeovil Mercury [item 132 in this Register].
Mon.
Printed by R. Goadby, at the Printing Office in Yeovil.

YORK

147. York Mercury: Or a General View of the Affairs of Europe, But more particularly of Great-Britain: With
Useful Observations on Trade. [From 23 Nov 1724 con. as]: York Journal: Containing The Most Remarkable Passages and Transactions at Home and Abroad. [By 11 Jan 1725 con. as]: York Journal or the Weekly Courant, With Advices Foreign and Domestick. Being a General View of the Affairs of Europe. [By 13 Jun 1727 con. as]: The Original York Journal: or, Weekly Courant. [From 2 Jan 1728 con. as]: The Original Mercury, York Journal: or, Weekly Courant.

Vol. I, no. 1 (23 Feb 1719)—no. 1 (23 Nov 1724)—no. 327 (16 Nov 1731)—?


York: Printed and Sold by Gr. White, and Tho. Hammond, Jun. Bookseller, and by Mr. Body in Whitby, Mr. Clarkson in Scarborough, Mr. Hewitt in Stoxley, Mr. Walker in Thirsk, Mr. Dunn in North-Allerton, Mr. Ferraby Bookseller in Hull, Mr. Mennel in Malton, Mr. Sherwood in Beverley, Mr. Walton in Darlington, Mr. Wilson in Easingwold, Mr. Austin Bookseller in Rippon, and at his Shop in Richmond, Mr. Husband in Stockton, Mr. Plaxton in Kirby, Mr. Cross in Pocklington, Mr. Walker in Wetherby, Zacheus Canby in Selby, Mr. Holmes in Skipton, Mr. Newsom of Burrowbridge, Mr. Rusholm in Howden, Mr. Lawrence in Casselton, Mr. Holtby in Yarm, Mr. Staveley in Hunnanby, Mr. Hawsom in Glaisdale, Mr. Ayrton in Knarsborough, Mr. Skirrow in Settle; . . . [From 13 Feb 1721]: York: Printed and Sold by Charles Bourne, and Tho. Hammond, jun. Bookseller. . . . [From 27 Jul 1724]: York: Printed and Sold by Alice Bourne, and Tho. Hammond, jun. Book- seller, . . . [From 23 Nov 1724]: Printed by Thomas
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Gent: And are to be Sold at the Printing-Office in Coffee-House-Yard, York, . . . [By 13 Jun 1727]: York: Printed by Thomas Gent, in Coffee-Yard, over against the Star in Stone-Gate, . . .

This announcement is in vol. II, no. 50 (30 Jan 1721):

Whereas Grace White, Widow, the late printer of this paper, is now dead, and Charles Bourne being now settled in the Printing-house lately belonging to her: This is therefore to give notice to all gentlemen and others that the said Charles Bourne intends to carry on the said trade of printing in the house situate within the Coffee-Yard within the said city of York: . . .

York Reference Library: vol. IV, no. 28 (27 Aug 1722); vol. VI, no. 16 (1 Jun 1724); fragments of some issues of 1722-25.

York Minster Library: vol. I, no. 1 (23 Feb 1719), to vol. II, no. 52 (13 Feb 1721); vol. III, no. 18 (19 Jun 1721); vol. V, no. 17 (10 Jun 1723), to vol. VI, no. 30 (7 Sep 1724), five issues only; no. 1 (23 Nov 1724); no. 18 (22 Mar 1725); nos. 96 (13 Jun 1727) to 275 (17 Nov [1730]), lacking ten issues.

Kingston-upon-Hull Museum: no. 252 (9 Jun [1730]).

Newcastle Reference Library: vol. VI, no. 3 (2 Mar 1724).

Office of Berrow’s Newspapers, Ltd., Worcester: no. 281 (29 Dec [1730]); no. 327 (16 Nov [1731]).

British Museum: vol. I, no. 18 (22 Jun 1719), to vol. VI, no. 36 (19 Oct 1724), scattered issues, many def.; no. 5 (21 Dec 1724); no. 8 (11 Jan 1725); no. 11 (1 Feb 1725).

Private library of Kenneth Monkman, Esq., London: no. 266 (15 Sep [1730]); no. 325 (2 Nov [1731]).
148. The York Courant.

[No. 1 (14 Sep ? 1725)]—no. 171 (17 Dec 1728)—no. 1836 (30 Dec 1760), + .

Tue.

[By 17 Dec 1728]: York: Printed and Sold by John White, at the Sign of the Printing Press, nigh St. Helen's Church in Stonegate, and Mr. Ryles at his Shops in Hull and Beverley, . . . [By 20 Apr 1731]: York, Printed by Sarah Coke, at the Sign of the Printing Press in Stonegate; and Sold by Mr. Ryles at Hull, Mr. Godson at Beverley, Mr. Mennel at Malton, Mr. Bland at Scarborough, Mr. Oldfield at Halifax, Mr. Robinson Post-Master of Whitby, Mr. Hill at Snaith, Zacheus Canby at Selby, Mr. Watson at Pontefract, and Mr. Rose at Knaresborough; . . . [From 30 Nov 1731]: York: Printed by John White at the Sign of the Printing-Press in Stonegate: And Sold by . . . [From 1 Oct 1734]: York, Printed by John Gilfillan, at the Sign of the Printing-Press, at the Foot of Stonegate, . . . [By 8 Nov 1737]: York: Printed by Alexander Staples, at the Printing-Press, in Coney-Street; and Sold by . . . [From 16 Jan 1739]: York: Printed and Sold by Ward and Chandler, Booksellers, at the Shop late Mr. Manchlin's in Coney-street, . . . [By 24 Jun 1740]: York: Printed for Caesar Ward, Bookseller in Coney-Street, . . . [From 25 Jun 1745]: Publish'd by Richard Bucktrout, late Servant to Caesar Ward, in Coney-Street. [From 4 Feb 1746]: Publish'd by Caesar Ward, in Coney-Street, for the Proprietor. [By 23 Jun 1747]: Printed by Caesar Ward, in Coney-Street. . . . [By 1 May 1759]: Printed by A. Ward, in Coney Street.

These announcements are in no. 470 (10 Sep 1734) and following issues:

Whereas the Property of my Printing Press at York is now Sold to John Gilfillan, the Printer of this
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Paper, who has served me faithfully above Seven Years; This is to desire all Persons indebted to me on Account of this Paper, or otherwise, to pay their Money to Mr. Edward Seller, in Jubbergate, York, or to Mrs. Sarah Coke, at the Printing Press in Stonegate, at or before Michaelmas next.

J. White.

Sept. 4. 1734.

To the kind Encouragers of this Paper.

Gentlemen,

Being in a short Time to set up for my self, I shall hope for a Continuance of your Favours. You may depend upon it, that all Care will be taken to raise the Credit of this Paper, to which end a Set of curious Types are sent for; and the News will be impartially collected from all the best and most authentick News Papers in the Kingdom.

John Gilfillan.

This announcement is in no. 692 (16 Jan 1739):

As the York Courant, by Mr. Staples’s leaving off Trade, is now fallen into other Hands, it may not be improper to inform our Readers, that We shall endeavour to compile it in so concise a Manner, as to give, every Tuesday, the Substance of all that is material, in the several London Prints of the three foregoing Posts. . . .

This announcement is in no. 1028 (25 Jun 1745):

Having lately had the Misfortune to lose a very large Sum of Money by being engag’d with my Brother-in-Law, who died Insolvent, I have been oblig’d to sell the Printing-House towards the Satisfaction of my Creditors. The Amount thereof, with all other my Effects, shall be honestly and faithfully deliver’d up for their Advantage; and I think myself in Conscience bound to do all that lies in my Power towards their Assistance in Recovering my Debts. Those who know Me will, I am confident, so far be my Advocates as to acknowledge, that few Men have been more Industrious and none less Expensive. I can’t help therefore expressing my Hopes, that my
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Failure will be imputed to the Real and True Cause—The being answerable for another Man's Actions.
Caesar Ward.

The Publick may be assur'd, that effectual Care will be taken, by the present Proprietors of the Printing House, to carry on the York Courant with the same Spirit, and upon the same Principles, which have hitherto render'd this Paper generally Agreeable. The Printing Business will also be carried on by the same Hands, and at the same Place as usual, where Advertisements will be taken in. No Care nor Expence will be wanting that can any wise tend to the Service and Entertainment of the Publick.


This letter addressed "To the Public" is in the Leedes Intelligencer, no. 262 (1 May 1759):

Notwithstanding the great, and, to me, unfortunate Loss of my late Husband, I can assure his Custom-
ers, and all Others, That

The YORK COURANT will be carried on with the same Diligence and Impartiality as before; under the Conduct of the same Person, who, for some Years last past, has had the principal Management of it; Mr. Ward's own Time being mostly taken up in carrying on a large Work of another Nature: I humbly hope, therefore, for the Continuance of your Favours; which will greatly oblige and encourage,

Your most obedient humble Servant,
ANN WARD

All Manner of Printing-Work will be perform'd as before.

York Reference Library: nos. 171 (17 Dec 1728) to 488 (14 Jan 1735), nearly complete; nos. 692 (16 Jan 1739) to 950 (27 Dec 1743), with many duplicates and some variant issues; nos. [995?] (6 Oct [i.e., Nov] 1744) to 1471 (25 Dec 1753), nearly complete, with many duplicates; nos. 1474 (15 Jan 1754) to 1626 (21 Dec 1756); no.

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1772 (9 Oct 1759); nos. 1784 (1 Jan 1760) to 1836 (30 Dec 1760), +.

York Minster Library; nos. 286 (2 Mar 1731) to 297 (18 May 1731), lacking one issue; nos. 635 (8 Nov 1737) to 669 (18 Jul 1738), many covered with clippings from later newspapers; nos. 671 (1 Aug 1738) to 676 (5 Sep 1738); no. 835 (13 Oct 1741); no. 837 (27 Oct 1741); no. 992 (16 Oct 1744); nos. 1132 (23 Jun 1747) to 1578 (20 Jan 1756), nearly complete; nos. 1784 (1 Jan 1760) to 1817 (19 Aug 1760), lacking five issues; nos. 1828 (4 Nov 1760) and 1829 (11 Nov 1760), +.

Leeds Reference Library: no. 200 (8 Jul 1729); no. 796 (13 Jan 1741), def.; no. 925 (5 Jul 1743); no. 926 (12 Aug 1743); no. 913 [sic] (30 Aug 1743), def.; no. [1044] (15 Oct 1745); no. [1049] (19 Nov 1745); no. [1050] (26 Nov 1745); no. 1055 (31 Dec 1745); no. 1228 (25 Apr 1749); no. 1412 (7 Nov 1752), def.; no. 1445 (28 Jun 1753); no. 1774 (23 Oct 1759), def.


Oxford University Press Ephemeral Collection: no. 1636 (1 Mar 1757).

Private library of Kenneth Monkman, Esq., London: no. 717 (10 Jul 1739); no. 734 (6 Nov 1739); no. 735 (13 Nov 1739); no. 753 (18 Mar 1740); no. 873 (6 Jul 1742); no. 874 (13 Jul 1742); no. 877 (3 Aug 1742); no. 880 (24 Aug 1742); no. 882 (7 Sep 1742); no. 885 (28 Sep 1742); no. 889 (26 Oct 1742); no. 906 (22 Feb 1743); no. 956 (7 Feb 1744); no. 1028 (25 Jun 1745); nos. 1171 (22 Mar 1748) to 1211 (27 Dec 1748), lacking one issue; no. 1228 (25 Apr 1749); nos. 1264 (2 Jan 1750) to 1419 (26 Dec 1752), lacking two issues; no. 1449 (10 Jul 1753); no. 1487 (16 Apr 1754); no. 1521 (10 Dec 1754), def.; no. 1593 (4 May 1756); no. 1620 (9 Nov 1756); no. 1621 (18 Nov 1756); no. 1749 (1 May 1759).

Yale University Library: nos. 740 (18 Dec 1739) to 790 (2 Dec 1740).
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New York Public Library: no. 1073 (6 May 1746).
University of Texas Library: no. 875 (20 Jul 1742).


Tue.

York: Printed by John Jackson in Grape-Lane, . . . This Paper is also Sold, and Advertisements taken in, by Mr. Joseph Smith in Barnsley, Mr. Romans and Mr. Baker in New-Malton, Mr. Richard Parkinson, Grocer, in Pickering, Mr. George Dinmoor in Hull; Mr. Henry Stockton at Kirbymoorside, Mr. John Bland at Scarborough and Newil Hodgson at Knaresburgh. [By 4 Jan 1743]: York: Printed by John Jackson in Grape-Lane, . . . This Paper is distributed, and Advertisements taken in, by Mr. Joseph Smith in Barnsley, Mr. Romans in Malton, Mr. Richard Parkinson, Grocer, in Pickering, Mr. George Dinmoor and Mr. Hewit in Hull, Mr. Henry Stockton at Kirbymoorside, Mr. John Bland at Scarborough, Mr. Watson at Pontefract, Mr. Lord in Wakefield, Mr. Austin in Ripon, Mr. Richmond Bainbridge at Richmond and Barncastle, Mr. Dowson at Northallerton, Mr. Lofthouse at Otley, Mr. Nicholson at Sheffield and Rotherham, Mr. Bell at Beverley, Mr. Haworth at Preston and Skipton, Mr. Rockcliff at Leeds and Bradford, and Mr. Sampson at Bridlington. N. B. Great Numbers of these Papers are distributed Weekly in the City of York, and in London, Lincolnshire, and most parts of Yorkshire. [By 31 May 1743 colophon has]: . . . N. B. This Paper is the most Advantageous to Advertise in, great Numbers being distributed in the West, North, and East Ridings of Yorkshire; and a great Part of Lincolnshire, Nottinghamshire, and the Bishopprick of Durham.

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End noted in *York Courant* of 4 August 1752: “The Late Publisher of the *York Gazeteer* being advised, by several of his Friends, to desist from carrying on the said Paper, has complied with their Advice. . . .”

York Minster Library: no. 41 (15 Dec 1741).

York Reference Library: nos. 209 (12 Feb 1745) to 212 (5 Mar 1745); no. 214 (19 Mar 1745).

Office of H. Morley and Sons Ltd., York: no. 136 (4 Oct 1743).


Private Library of Kenneth Monkman, Esq., London: nos. 97 (4 Jan 1743) to 114 (3 May 1743); nos. 133 (13 Sep 1743) to 135 (27 Sep 1743); nos. 137 (11 Oct 1743) to 142 (15 Nov 1743); nos. 144 (22 Nov 1743) to 149 (27 Dec 1743).

New York Public Library: no. 88 (9 Nov 1742).


No. 1 (26 Nov 1745)—no. 383 (3 Apr 1753)—?

York: Printed by John Gilfillan, in Coffee-Yard. [From 11 Feb 1746]: York: Printed by John Gilfillan, in Coffee-Yard; and Sold by Mr. Inman in Doncaster, Mr. Bland in Scarborough, Mr. Lord at Wakefield and Barnsley, Mr. Watson at Pontefract, Mr. Donaldson at Leeds, Mr. Milner at Halifax, Mr. Northrop at Bradford, Mr. Macaulay at Huthersfield, Mr. Watson at Sheffield, Mr. Munby at Hull, Mr. Godson of Beverley, Mr. Parkinson of Pickering, Mr. Dale at Malton, Mr. Newby at Helmsly, Mr. Affleck at Thirsk, Mr. Thompson at Northallerton,
Mr. Garnet at Yarm, Mr. Dent at Richmond, Mr. North at Bedale, Mr. Austin at Ripon, and Mr. North at Boroughbridge; by whom Advertisements and Letters to the Printer are taken in. [Changes in subsequent issues.]

[From 24 Mar 1752]: York: Printed for I. Gilfillan, in Coffee-Yard; Sold by . . . .

A notice at the top of the first column in nos. 1 and 2 of this paper begins thus:

Having Advertis'd on the 24th of September last, That I intended to Publish this Paper with all convenient Speed, for the Service of the Public at this Critical Juncture, I take this first Opportunity to Return my Subscribers Thanks for the Encouragement they have been pleased to give me; . . .

In no. 17 (18 Mar 1746) a correspondent requested the printer to alter the subtitle from *The Weekly Advertiser* to *The Protestant Courant*.

This notice is in no. 331 (24 Mar 1752):

Isabella Gilfillan

Takes this Method of returning her sincere Thanks to the Public for the many Favours done to her late Husband, and assures them, that the Printing Business will be carefully carried on, and no Care or Pains will be wanting to merit the Continuance of their Favours.

York Reference Library: nos. 3 (10 Dec 1745) to 383 (3 Apr 1753), lacking two-thirds of the issues.

York Minster Library: no. 126 (19 Apr 1748); no. 165 (17 Jan 1749); no. 260 (13 Nov 1750); no. 262 (27 Nov 1750); no. 291 (18 Jun 1751).

National Library of Scotland: no. 25 (13 May 1746).

Private library of Kenneth Monkman, Esq., London: nos. 1 (26 Nov 1745) to 77 (12 May 1747); no. 78 (19 May 1747), lacking first leaf; nos. 79 (26 May 1747) to 120 (8 Mar 1748).