

briefly in printed books and articles; and the information gleaned from these sources, together with the contemporary sources mentioned above, have, it is to be hoped, been drawn together to form accounts which are consistent and as complete as possible. On the other hand, several printers have been treated exhaustively elsewhere, William Goddard and Hezekiah Niles of Baltimore, and Frederick and Samuel Green of Annapolis; and little has been attempted here besides summarizing their work in Maryland during the period 1791-1800.

An excellent index to Maryland biographical material is the card file located at the Peabody Institute of Baltimore. It was used - and profitably - throughout the course of this study.

The study of the printers who operated in Maryland during this historically important decade would have little focus or import without the detailed bibliography which forms Appendix A. For its compilation it was necessary to visit many libraries in and outside Maryland; and in every instance the librarians were cooperative, helpful, and seemed glad to allow me to examine the books - even when, as in several cases, it entailed trouble and inconvenience to them. To all those librarians I am deeply grateful, to those whom I visited and to those with whom I have corresponded. I cannot mention all; three libraries are outstanding