

THE LAST SEVEN YEARS OF THE MARYLAND JOURNAL  
OF BALTIMORE

The Maryland Journal under Goddard, Angell and Brumfield. - At the opening of the last decade of the eighteenth century, the Maryland Journal, first issued by William Goddard on August 20, 1773, was beginning its nineteenth year of publication under Goddard, its founder, and his partner and brother-in-law, James Angell. There is no occasion, here, to develop the lives of the partners: detailed sketches of William Goddard appear in Lawrence C. Wroth's A History of Printing in Colonial Maryland and Joseph Towne Wheeler's A History of the Maryland Press, 1777-1790, and another phase of that assiduous printer's activities is discussed in W. Bird Terwilliger's "William Goddard's Victory for the Freedom of the Press", in the Maryland Historical Magazine of June 1941. Chapter Five of the above-mentioned A History of the Maryland Press, 1777-1790, is devoted to the life and career of James Angell.

The Maryland Journal in 1790 was published semi-weekly; its editors were carrying on the newspaper, book and broadside printing business with only one rival, John Hayes, whose Maryland Gazette was also published on a semi-weekly basis. The circulation of the Maryland Journal was such that Goddard felt justified in writing to Thomas Jefferson, then Secretary of State,