

quence of his Loyalist activities during the Revolutionary War, and arranged for an interest in Samuel Sower's typefounding business.¹¹⁰ Whether the business was already established before the arrival of Christopher III is not clear. But Christopher Sower was seized with apoplexy soon after his arrival in Baltimore, and died on July 3, 1799.¹¹¹ Nothing more is heard of the typefounding establishment for several years.

In 1800 Sower printed by subscription the book which was probably the most popular of all his undertakings, the Washingtoniana,¹¹² containing a biographical sketch of Washington, Washington's will, schedule of his property, details of his funeral procession, and various other materials concerning the late President. Twenty copies are known to be extant today. The book was reprinted in 1865 by E. Dexter and Son of New York. Although the Washingtoniana bears the imprint date 1800, it was apparently not offered for sale until February 11, 1801.¹¹³

The lottery and auction business was another of Sower's accomplishments; he entered into partnership with Samuel Cole, for this purpose; the partnership

110 Hildeburn, C.R. Sketches of printers and printing in colonial New York. p. 177-178.

111 McCulloch, William. op. cit. p. 160.

112 Appendix A. Imprint bibliography, item 633.

113 Telegraphe. February 11, 1801.