

sible to arrive at a conclusive date. Apparently, only one copy of the Lehre is in existence, at the Maryland Historical Society. Proposals for publishing the prose and poetical works of George Trisler of Frederick-Town were issued by Bartgis in 1799. The work was to be published by subscription, in two volumes, concluding with a poem on Harper's Ferry.¹⁰ It was this Trisler who established a newspaper in Winchester, Virginia in 1799, the Winchester Triumph of Liberty,¹¹ and who was characterized by Alexander Martin of the Baltimore American as "a gentleman of very handsome abilities".¹² Whether Trisler's literary works were ever published in Frederick is an unsolved problem; but at least there was in the poet's town a printer interested in giving local talent its due recognition.

Bartgis's Maryland Gazette became Bartgis's Federal Gazette probably sometime during 1794; Evans states that the title may have been changed at the beginning of the third volume, in May.¹³ The newspaper retained the latter title until sometime in 1800, when it became Bartgis's Republican Gazette. Although

10 Bartgis's Federal gazette. September 11, 1799.

11 Brigham, C.S. Bibliography of American newspapers, 1690-1820. Part XVIII: Virginia-West Virginia. p. 151-152.

12 American. September 3, 1799.

13 Evans, Charles. American bibliography. v.9, item 26623.