

First, there is the matter of the almanac.

Gruber published his first Neue Nord-Americanische Stadt und Land Calender in 1796.⁶⁴ The next year, Grieves, possibly to compete with this highly successful publication, advertised the Maryland and Virginia Almanac for the year 1798.⁶⁵ Perhaps the English almanac was never issued afterwards; at least, there is no record of it. Gruber's almanac will soon celebrate its sesquicentennial.

In 1799, Gruber printed a primer, Hoch-Deutsches Lutherisches A, B, C, und Namen Buchlein;⁶⁶ in 1800, Grieves followed with the Modern Primer.⁶⁷ In 1799, also, both printers issued texts of the United States Constitution, Grieves in English and Gruber in German.⁶⁸ Since only one or two scattered issues of Gruber's German newspaper, Die Westliche Correspondenz, for the period to 1800 are extant today, it is impossible to carry this comparison to any conclusion; but from these few examples it seems probable that the English and German printers vied in giving the different sections of population similar publications.

- 64 Appendix A. Imprint bibliography, item 310.
- 65 Appendix A. Imprint bibliography, item 379.
- 66 Appendix A. Imprint bibliography, item 497.
- 67 Appendix A. Imprint bibliography, item 610.
- 68 Appendix A. Imprint bibliography, items 545, 543.