

Church, under supervision of the Synod of that church.¹⁸

His German newspaper, Die Westliche Correspondenz, continued until 1830.¹⁹ In January 1831 an unsuccessful attempt was made to revive it. At the solicitation of General Samuel Ringgold, he published for a short time an English newspaper, to advance the cause of the Republican party, the Sentinel of Liberty. The date of publication is not certain; it was probably after 1800. However, the Maryland Herald, published by Thomas Grieves, became the organ of that party, and the Sentinel of Liberty was discontinued.²⁰

Gruber was the father of six known children, all girls;²¹ a number of his descendants are still living in Maryland and other states.²² In 1811, Daniel May, who had married Gruber's daughter Rebecca, joined his father-in-law as a partner in the printing business;²³ it is not certain just when this partnership was discontinued; but in 1840 May was editor of the Republican Herald of York, Pennsylvania.²⁴

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