

them, how he conducted his business, his political views, and his personality.

He was born in England on September 27, 1757, the tenth child of James Hayes of Lancashire, later of Baltimore (1705-1788) and his wife Phebe Spence Hayes (1717-1792) originally from Liverpool.¹ His Latin and French imprints have led to the conclusion that his education was of a higher level than that of most printers of his day,² but no details of his education or of his apprenticeship to the printing business have been discovered.

His younger brother,³ James Hayes, Junior, was in Baltimore in 1775, where he published Dunlap's Maryland Gazette; or the Baltimore General Advertiser for John Dunlap, prominent printer of Philadelphia, until September 8, 1778, when he (James Hayes, Junior) took it over and conducted it under the name of the Maryland Gazette, and Baltimore General Advertiser until July 5, 1779. After discontinuing his Baltimore newspaper, James Hayes, Junior, began another newspaper, probably of short duration, in Annapolis, then formed another partnership with John Dunlap for printing in Virginia, where he resided until his death in 1804.⁴

About the same time that Dunlap and James Hayes, Junior, were establishing a press in Virginia, Dunlap formed another partnership with the elder of the two Hayes printers, John Hayes, for a printing office, to be

¹ Hayes family Bible records.

² Cavanaugh, Sister Mary Stephana. Catholic book publishing history in the United States. p. 56.

³ Hayes family Bible records.

⁴ Wheeler, J.T. The Maryland press. p. 50-51.