

by the copartnership, but should have the benefit of all debts paid to it.⁸

Due to difficulties of transoceanic commerce, or other causes, it was not until May 24, 1785, that the Gazette appeared with new ornamental types in the heading, and larger, clearer cuts in the advertisements. Killen, now established in Delaware, probably received the inventoried articles about that time.

Hayes continued publication of the Maryland Gazette, as well as numerous books, pamphlets and broadsides, until January 6, 1792, when he announced that from that date he would discontinue the publication of his newspaper, but in the meantime would

receive and execute, on the most reasonable terms, such printing-work as they [the public] may be pleased to employ him in.⁹

Hayes' activities for the next two years cannot be determined, for no imprints from his press are extant for this period. He may have engaged in some real estate activities, for in 1792 his name appears several times in the land records of Baltimore County in connection with a tract of land known as "Eagle's Nest", "east side of Patapsco falls", which he purchased from Philip Edwards on May 22, 1792.¹⁰

8 Hayes, John. op. cit.

9 Maryland gazette. (Baltimore) January 6, 1792.

10 Baltimore County, Md. Land records, liber W.G., no. H.H., folio 538.