showing the correct dates for the festivals and fasts . of the church year. From the nature of the work. it seems that these Ordos were printed before the date shown on the title-page; hence the Ordo for 1795. probably the first American edition, was printed in 1794. John Hayes' name (altered to Johannes Hayes) appears on the imprint of this earliest Ordo, 16 and on the imprints of those for 1801 (printed in 1800)17 and 1802. It is therefore highly probable that the Ordo's for the intervening years were printed in the United States, and by Hayes. in Ealtimore. 18

Hayes had not entirely given up his first Baltimore publication, the Maryland Gazette, for on October 1. 1794. he proposed to revive it under the name of the Maryland Register and General Advertiser as soon as a subscription list of three hundred names could be obtained. He would

publish this paper three times in each week. vis. Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings. on a larger scale than heretofore, at the rate of four dollars per annum.

The paper would include the debates and important transactions of Congress, foreign news of interest to the United States, the progress of manufactures and

Appendix A. Imprint bibliography, item 157. Appendix A. Imprint bibliography, item 565. 16

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¹⁸ Cavanaugh, Sister Mary Stephana. Catholic book publishing in the United States. p. 56-57.