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PURCHASES

- AMERICAN LIBRARY SERVICE, Record of entry of a four-wheel carriage with Thomas Harwood of Richard, Collector of the Revenue, by Jeremiah T. Chase of Annapolis, October 18, 1798, printed form with handwritten entries. 1 sheet. October 27, 1950.
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LIBRARY

With rare exceptions the Hall of Records limits its library acquisitions to printed materials having to do with Maryland and with archival techniques. Most of the new materials in the second category are received by us on an exchange basis. The obvious advantage here is that such materials cost us little or nothing; the disadvantage is that we are not able to exercise much choice. This will account for the large number of foreign archival publications that have little value for us except that they do give the staff an opportunity to study methods of archival work used elsewhere.

In our search for Maryland records which have been scattered in the course of time, we find it necessary to purchase catalogues and lists of holdings of other institutions. An excellent example of this kind of useful work is the *Guide to the Microfilm Collection of Early State Records* prepared by the Library of Congress and the University of North Carolina. In this *Guide* we have found all the Maryland legislative journals which we were lacking. I should note here that the list of new materials given below does not contain microfilm. This is so because we have not yet