

but 11; since then however the *facilities* of making lawyers and doctors have greatly increased, and with these, each profession has received a large accession of numbers, but whether either science has advanced in the *quality* of its members, we pretend not to say.

On the 20th of August 1773, Mr. Wm. Goddard of Rhode Island commenced the publication of the first newspaper ever published in Baltimore, called the "Maryland Journal and Baltimore Advertiser. A line of packets and stages at the head of Elk, to and from Philadelphia was established, and a coffee house or hotel opened at the Point.

Up to this period the hills on which the Cathedral now stands, the ground west of Green, now Exeter street, and the south shore of the river from Lee street to the fort point were covered either with forest trees or small plantations, and the grounds between Town and Point were an open common.

The march of the population of the town up to the war of the revolution, 1776, had been a slow one, and this is a circumstance calculated to excite our wonder, because it had enjoyed an increasing commerce for many years, and though its port of entry was Annapolis, its superior adaptation had always secured it a highly lucrative business. But let the cause of this tardiness of increase be what it may, the fact is an undeniable one, that at the commencement of the war of the revolution, our population amounted only to about 5,000 persons; but though small in numbers, they were stout of heart, and throughout the whole of that struggle, evinced a devotion to liberty which knew no medium—a love of country which admitted of no compromise. To the numerical strength of the army, she laudably contributed by sending forth her sons to battle under the Eagle and Stripes; and when the loss of trade brought ruin and distress upon one portion of her citizens, those who were still so fortunate as to have escaped from the inflictions of such visitations, nobly came forward to the relief of their less fortunate fellow townsmen. Nor was this chivalric spirit confined alone to the male inhabitants; for the gentler sex—those lovely beings whom bounteous Providence in his kindness appointed as our solace in adversity—vied with their husbands, brothers, and fathers, in works of generous patriotism, of disinterested, pure love of country. Did the soldier approach them in sickness and want, they nursed him with the tenderness of sisters, and when he departed, it was under feelings too exquisite to give utterance to the measure of gratitude which he felt for those more than "*Sisters of Charity*"—who with the pious devotion of mothers had pillowed his aching head, bound up his wounds, and nursed him in sickness—but if he could not give utterance to the grateful emotions with which he was inspired, he felt them—exquisitively felt them—and he marched onward more than "thrice armed," because his cause was just," and female beauty and goodness had nerved his arm to strike for liberty.

Among the brave officers who did such effective service in leading the Maryland line through every fortune of war—a