
Maryland Imprints of the Colonial Period, 1689-1776

338. VALLETTE, ELIE. [Cut] The | Deputy Commissary's | Guide | within the Province | of | Maryland, | together | with plain and sufficient directions for Testators to form, and Executors | to perform their Wills and Testaments; for administrators to | compleat their Administrations, and for every Person any | way concerned in deceased Person's Estates, to proceed therein | with Safety to themselves and others. | [Cut] By Elie Vallette. | Register of the Prerogative Office of the said Province. | Annapolis, | Printed by Ann [sic] Catharine Green and Son. | MDCCLXXIV. T. Sparrow Sculpt |

8vo. 3 preliminary leaves, A-[Q]⁸, R²; 133 leaves; pages [I-II], [i]-iv, [1]-248, [249-260], p. [I]: title, (engraved on metal by Thomas Sparrow, having at head a scroll with blank space for owner's name); p. [i]: dedication to his Excellency, Robert Eden, Esq; pp. iii-iv: "Preface."; pp. [1]-160: text, with heading, The | Deputy Commissary's | Guide., running heads; facing p. 106: "Table of Descent", (engraved on metal by Thomas Sparrow); pp. 161-248: appendix, (containing precedents, forms, tables for reduction of sterling to currency, etc.) p. [162]: (Note to the printer); p. 248: "The End"; pp. [249-257]: "Alphabetical Index of the principal Matters"; p. [258-259]: "Contents of the Appendix", with tail-piece; some copies have six blank and genuine leaves at end, so that in these the collation by signatures reads: 3 preliminary leaves, A-R⁸; 139 leaves.

Leaf measures: 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 4 $\frac{1}{8}$ inches. Type page, p. 4: 141 x 71 mm.

The book was advertised in the *Maryland Gazette* of May 5, 1774, as "Just Published," and in *Maryland Gazette* June 29, 1775, Vallette begs the subscribers to pay their money and take away their books, otherwise he must lose money. The book was well advertised in the *Maryland Gazette* both before and after publication, as well as by prospectus and subscription paper, (see Nos. 339 and 340). It was an exceedingly useful compilation, and its engraved title-page, the only one issued from a colonial Maryland press, was Sparrow's best work.

MdHS. MDSL. (many duplicates, probably the "remainder"), and in many public and private collections.

339. —Now ready for the Press, and to be printed by Subscription, in One large Octavo | Volume, containing about Three Hundred Folios |(price Ten Shillings, | [Space surrounded by border with words "For", "Mr.", "County" for purchaser's name and address.] The | Deputy Commissary's Guide | Within the Province of | Maryland. | . . . By Elie Vallette, | Register of the Prerogative Office of the said Province. | [Annapolis: Printed by Anne Catharine Green and Son. 1774.]

Broadside. 7 $\frac{1}{8}$ x 6 $\frac{1}{8}$ inches.

Prospectus of Vallette's "Deputy Commissary's Guide." In Scharf Papers, MdHS.

340. —Subscription Paper for the Deputy Commissary's Guide. | [Annapolis: Printed by Anne Catharine Green and Son. 1774.]

Broadside, with ruled columns for names, addresses, etc. Leaf measures: 14 $\frac{1}{8}$ x 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches.

In Scharf Papers, MdHS.

341. Where are ye All now? | A very curious and Modest Address, lately | sent to Mr. Charles Ridgely, by some of the | Great Men of Baltimore-Town, versified. | . . . [signed,] Captain Bob-Ad-III. | [Baltimore: Printed by Mary K. Goddard. 1774.]

Broadside. 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches.

This poetical address to Mr. Charles Ridgely calls on that gentleman to withdraw from his candidacy for the Assembly in favor of Mr. Robert Alexander. It refers to the contemplated trip of the Governor to Great Britain, doubtless Eden's hurried visit to England in 1774. Mr. Ridgely was elected to the Assembly, however, in spite of the opposition of this element of his constituency.

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342. January 7, 1775. | To the Inhabitants of Anne-Arundel county. | Gentlemen, | You are requested to meet at the city of Annapolis, on Monday the 16th instant, to | nominate deputies to attend, on behalf of this county, at the next provincial con- | vention, and to