

siveness, and democratic principles, but he had the fault of shirking his responsibilities when things became too disagreeable. He had done it in Providence at the beginning of his career - his mother and sister had managed his printing office when it was threatened with financial disaster; his sister had rescued the Pennsylvania Chronicle when Goddard was in the midst of a quarrel with his partners and had left for Baltimore.³ Now he did it again; his brother-in-law, James Angell, took on the Maryland Journal.

In his farewell address to his patrons, Goddard confessed that he was retiring without the consolation of wealth; he had started in Baltimore with the capital of a single guinea after his fortune had been wrecked in another state, and by incessant application had brought his press to a position of importance. He would dispose of the business to his partner and brother-in-law, James Angell, "a young gentleman qualified by age and education, for the prosecution of the business."⁴ Angell also addressed the public, stating that he had "embarked both fortune and reputation" in the business, and expressed the wish that his exertions would entitle him to the approbation of the citizens and that

3 Wheeler, J. T. The Maryland press. p.16.

4 Maryland journal. August 15, 1792.