

January 9. 1781

Mr. John Biddle presented the company with <sup>two Tracts by the Capt.</sup> Lewis Evans ~~and~~  
~~of the Middle British Colonies~~

Upon the Application of a Member reading the following Paper the  
Signed by the Members the Board direct the ensuing Advertisement  
to be printed in Dunlop's paper

At a Meeting held pursuant to Notice Feb. 1. 8. 1781. Minutes to be read  
and a Letter from the Treasurer then present read and a paper presented  
this being the 1st Meeting held Feb. 9. 1779

Present Messrs. Jones Hewes Parshale Stanbury Poulton  
Parker & Hancock

The Secy reports that he has recd. & recorded the Receipts for the  
purchase money of the Shares of James Noyes & John Evans  
George Guest George Asheton and Samuel Langdon  
and that he has made out & recorded a Certificate of John Tard

The Com<sup>rs</sup> on Dayman's Acct are lost. — Acct Com<sup>rs</sup> cost:  
The Com<sup>rs</sup> app<sup>ts</sup> to make out the Catalogue of the Books presented by the late  
Mr. Logan report that they have completed that Business & that  
it is therefore permitted to let out those Books on Application of the Trustees of the  
Lib<sup>ry</sup> & that they are therefore for future to be open to the Application of the Members

The Com<sup>rs</sup> app<sup>ts</sup> to examine & settle the Lib<sup>ry</sup> Acct report that they have  
made a considerable progress in but not completed that Business

Acct Acct: of John Drinker from ~~Repairs for the Union Ship to the Acct of~~  
23 — and an Acct: of John Evans to the Acct: of Feb. 11. 12 for Repairs  
of the Union Ship: was exhibited to the Board & Order drawn on the Treas<sup>ry</sup>  
for the same added in the Name of John Evans

Two copies of Mellers Treatise on Artillery were presented the  
Company one by Col. Sam<sup>l</sup> Mifflin the other by Mr. Charles Fort  
the Board desire their Thanks be given these Gent<sup>ls</sup> for their Donation

An Order was drawn on the Treas<sup>ry</sup> in fav<sup>r</sup> of the Librarian for  
thirty pounds —

The Librarian is in future to charge for the Hire of Books as  
follows to wit — Folios 3/9 2<sup>nd</sup> 2/6 Smaller Books 2/9 each

At a Meeting held March 9<sup>th</sup> 1779

Present Messrs. Jones, Hewes, Poulton, Stanbury, Parshale  
Parker & Hancock

The Committee appointed to settle Dayman's Acct: report that they  
have stated an Acct: from which it appears there is a Balance of  
£10. 14. 3 due him for which an Order was drawn on the Treas<sup>ry</sup>  
to be delivered him by Messrs. Parshale & Hewes

The Com<sup>rs</sup> on Rents cost — Com<sup>rs</sup> app<sup>ts</sup> to settle Mr. Goldill's Account  
as continued

Major Gen<sup>l</sup> Mifflin having presented the Company with a  
handsome Edition of Pasports Collection of Voyages  
in 10 Vols. Quarto. The Board direct their Thanks be given  
to him for the same & that the Name of the Company be  
inscribed on the Title Page in Behalf of the Company for  
this truly generous & valuable Donation

The Board direct their Thanks be given Mr. John Dean for  
the Collection of Political Papers entitled Barataria presented by  
him to the Company — and to Mr. Charles Fort for the Papers  
entitled Transactions on the American Revolution presented by  
him

