Imprint No.: 1780.014

Short Title: Orders of Baron von Steuben.

Author: Steuben, Friedrich Wilhelm Ludolf Gerhard Augustin, Baron von (1730-94).

Title: By the Honourable Major General Baron de Steuben, commanding the troops in the state of

Virginia. The Honourable the Congress of the United States having directed that the officers of the state of Virginia, on Continental establishment, should assemble together, that their line may be arranged under the new regulations of the 21st of November last: I do therefore hereby direct all Continental officers ... to repair to Chesterfield court-house ... Given under my hand, at Richmond, this 20th day of December ... one thousand seven hundred and

eighty ...

Richmond Place Issued:

Issuing Press: Dixon & Nicolson

Description: 1 sheet [1 pg.]; 18 cm. x 22 cm. (broadside).

Notes: Council of State ordered 200 copies of this letter printed on December 20, 1780; was also

published in the Dixon & Nicolson Gazette on December 21st; Swem reported title from that manuscript journal entry, though he saw no surviving copies; a copy was later acquired by the American Antiquarian Society but was missing when the filming of the Early American

Imprints Series was conducted.

The government of Virginia relocated to Richmond from Williamsburg in early 1780. The press of John Dixon and Thomas Nicolson moved there as well; however, the press of John Clarkson and Augustine Davis remained in Williamsburg unable to finance such a move. Thus the firm of Dixon & Hunter became the de facto printer to the Commonwealth, without the title, as they were the only printing office in Richmond in 1780.

IVP Associated Names: John Dixon (140); Thomas Nicolson (315)

Bibliographic Notations

Early American Imprints? Title No.: Series:

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