

Lineage No.: **RICHMOND 19**

Group Title: **Compiler**

Variant 01: The Daily Compiler

Publication Data: May 1, 1813 to about November 1813 Daily (ex. Sun)

Proprietors: Leroy Anderson & Philip DuVal

IVP Associates: Leroy Anderson (011), Philip DuVal (155)

Notes: Editor Anderson and printer DuVal commenced publication of the first daily paper issued in Richmond in twenty years on May 1, 1813; primary purpose was to report news of wartime events more promptly without partisan bias. DuVal evidently signed a six-month agreement with Anderson to produce the paper, and so his affiliation with the daily ended in November 1813; exact date of change is unknown from lack of surviving numbers for this period.

References: LCCN No. 85-026177; Brigham II: 1137.

Variant 02: The Daily Compiler

Publication Data: About November 1813 to September 13, 1814 Daily (ex. Sun)

Proprietors: Leroy Anderson

IVP Associates: Leroy Anderson (011)

Notes: From November 1813 to November 1814, the *Compiler* did not report a credit for printing in its text; only editor Anderson is recorded as proprietor, evincing his use of unnamed job-presses in the city to produce the daily for him.

References: LCCN No. 85-026177; Brigham II: 1137.

Variant 03: The Daily Compiler

Publication Data: September 14, 1814 to November 10, 1814 Daily (ex. Sun)

Proprietors: Uncredited

IVP Associates: Leroy Anderson (011)

Notes: Issues of *Compiler* from September 14 to November 10, 1814, lack any publication credit; Anderson continued as editor and used job-presses to print the newspaper, as reported in other places than the daily's pages.

References: LCCN No. 85-026177; Brigham II: 1137.

Variant 04: The Daily Compiler

Publication Data: November 11, 1814 to May 1815 Daily (ex. Sun)

Proprietors: Anderson & Shields

IVP Associates: Leroy Anderson (011), William C. Shields (381)

Notes: With issue of November 11, 1814, editor Anderson took on printer Shields as his trade partner; their alliance continued for eighteen months.

References: LCCN No. 85-026177; Brigham II: 1137.

Variant 05: The Daily Compiler and Richmond Commercial Register

Publication Data: May 1815 to May 15, 1816 Daily (ex. Sun)

Proprietors: Girardin & Shields

IVP Associates: Louis Hue Girardin (180), William C. Shields (381)

Notes: In May 1815, Anderson sold his interest in the *Compiler* to Girardin, who also became the paper's editor; the new partners promptly modified the daily's title to fit their plans for the journal; the pair also began publishing a twice-weekly "country edition" (LCCN no. 85-026858) shortly after ownership change, finally realizing a plan abandoned in 1813.

References: LCCN No. 85-026845; Brigham II: 1137.

Variant 06: The Daily Compiler and Richmond Commercial Register

Publication Data: May 20, 1816 to August 3, 1816 Daily (ex. Sun)

Proprietors: DuVal, Trueheart & Co.

IVP Associates: Philip DuVal (155), Daniel Trueheart (420), Samuel Cary (085), Thomas Ritchie (360)

Notes: After issue of May 15, 1816, firm of Girardin & Shields was dissolved by mutual consent, indicating end of a one-year agreement between the two men; firm's assets were sold to partnership headed up by printers DuVal (a founding partner) and Trueheart; later reports show Cary was employed in *Compiler* office at this time. All three printers had foregoing connections to Ritchie's *Richmond Enquirer* office; he was the unnamed financial backer in this transaction ("& Co.") and remained associated with the *Compiler* through the ensuing ownership changes until June 1833.

References: LCCN No. 84-024698; Brigham II: 1137.

Variant 07: The Richmond Commercial Compiler

Publication Data: August 5, 1816 to October 27, 1819 Daily (ex. Sun)

Proprietors: DuVal, Trueheart & Co.

IVP Associates: Philip DuVal (155), Daniel Trueheart (420), Samuel Cary (085), Thomas Ritchie (360)

Notes: With issue of August 5, 1816, title was recast to the form that the daily would bear for the next twenty years; this is form most often cited, even when other variants were the actual form then in use. At same time, the "country edition" increased its pace to thrice-weekly (LCCN no. 85-026859) with the simple title of *The Compiler*.

References: LCCN No. 84-024698; Brigham II: 1137.

Variant 08: The Richmond Commercial Compiler

Publication Data: October 28, 1819 to March 27, 1823 Daily (ex. Sun)

Proprietors: Trueheart, Cary & Co.

IVP Associates: Daniel Trueheart (420), Samuel Cary (085), Thomas Ritchie (360)

Notes: Following the issue of October 27, 1819, DuVal retired from the printing trade, selling his interest in a separate job-press office to Ritchie, and his interest in the *Compiler* to Cary.

References: LCCN No. 84-024698; Brigham II: 1137; Cappon 1246.

Variant 09: The Richmond Commercial Compiler

Publication Data: March 28, 1823 to July 10, 1823 Daily (ex. Sun)

Proprietors: Pollard, Cary & Co.

IVP Associates: William Pollard (336), Samuel Cary (085), Thomas Ritchie (360)

Notes: Following the issue of March 27, 1823, Trueheart retired from the printing trade and sold his interest in the *Compiler* to Pollard, another former Ritchie journeyman.

References: LCCN No. 84-024698; Cappon 1246.

Variant 10: The Richmond Commercial Compiler

Publication Data: July 15, 1823 to May 5, 1826 Daily (ex. Sun)

Proprietors: William Pollard & Co.

IVP Associates: William Pollard (336), Thomas Ritchie (360)

Notes: Following the issue of July 10, 1823, Cary retired from the printing trade; he sold his part of the *Compiler* to Pollard, who became majority partner in firm with Ritchie.

References: LCCN No. 84-024698; Cappon 1246.

Variant 11: The Richmond Commercial Compiler

Publication Data: May 6, 1826 to about March 1827 Daily (ex. Sun)

Proprietors: Pollard, Mosby & Co.

IVP Associates: William Pollard (336), Thomas Ritchie (360)

Notes: With issue of May 6, 1826, Pollard sold a partial interest in the *Compiler* to printer Robert Mosby (1801-39), another former Ritchie journeyman.

References: LCCN No. 84-024698; Cappon 1246.

Variant 12: The Richmond Commercial Compiler

Publication Data: By September 1827 to March 8, 1831 Daily (ex. Sun)

Proprietors: Robert Mosby & Co.

IVP Associates: Thomas Ritchie (360)

Notes: Sometime between March and September 1827, Pollard sold his interest in the *Compiler* to Mosby, probably in May, when a year-long agreement between the two would have

expired; exact date of change unknown from lack of surviving numbers for this period.

References: LCCN No. 84-024698; Cappon 1246.

Variant 13: The Richmond Commercial Compiler

Publication Data: March 9, 1831 to about September 1832 Daily (ex. Sun)

Proprietors: John A. Lacy & Co.

IVP Associates: Thomas Ritchie (360)

Notes: Following issue of March 8, 1831, Mosby retired from the print trade and sold his interest in the *Compiler* to John A. Lacy, Sr. (1800-87), another former Ritchie journeyman.

References: LCCN No. 84-024698; Cappon 1246.

Variant 14: The Richmond Commercial Compiler

Publication Data: By September 1832 to June 10, 1833 Daily (ex. Sun)

Proprietors: Thomas Keeran Jr. & Co.

IVP Associates: Thomas Ritchie (360)

Notes: Sometime between March 13 and November 17, 1832, most likely that September, Lacy retired from the printing trade and sold his interest in the *Compiler* to Thomas Keeran Jr. (no dates), another former Ritchie journeyman; exact date of this change unknown from lack of surviving numbers for this period.

References: LCCN No. 84-024698; Cappon 1246.

Variant 15: The Richmond Commercial Compiler

Publication Data: June 11, 1833 to February 7, 1835 Daily (ex. Sun)

Proprietors: M. M. Robinson

IVP Associates: ----

Notes: On June 10, 1833, Ritchie and Keeran sold the *Compiler* to Merritt Moore Robinson (1810-1850), a lawyer from Fluvanna County; Robinson transformed the previously non-partisan daily into an anti-Jackson journal during his twenty-month-long proprietorship.

References: LCCN No. 84-024698; Cappon 1246.

Variant 16: The Richmond Compiler

Publication Data: February 9, 1835 to May 4, 1835 Daily (ex. Sun)

Proprietors: Gallaher & Walker

IVP Associates: John S. Gallaher (177)

Notes: Following issue of February 7, 1835, Robinson sold the *Compiler* to the firm of Gallaher & Walker in order to start a "Literary Journal" as an alternative to the new *Southern Literary Messenger* begun the preceding August; that title never issued. Gallaher had conducted the *Virginia Free Press* at Harper's Ferry and Charlestown from 1821 to late 1834; after

serving in 1834-35 Assembly, he joined with Richmond job-printer James C. Walker (1808-72) to buy *Compiler* from Robinson; the pair promptly shortened the daily's title to form usually used by publishers elsewhere reprinting items from their paper. At the same time, Gallaher & Walker reduced frequency of their "country edition" (LCCN no. 85-038619) from thrice-weekly to twice-weekly.

References: LCCN No. 84-054476; Cappon 1246.

Variant 17: Richmond Courier and Daily Compiler

Publication Data: May 5, 1835 to June 27, 1835 Daily (ex. Sun)

Proprietors: Gallaher & Walker

IVP Associates: John S. Gallaher (177)

Notes: With issue of May 5, 1835, Gallaher & Walker retitled their paper to create a new identity separate from that Robinson had embraced previously.

References: LCCN No. 94-060030; Cappon 1246.

Variant 18: Richmond Courier and Daily Compiler

Publication Data: June 29, 1835 to November 19, 1836 Daily (ex. Sun)

Proprietors: Gallaher & Davis

IVP Associates: John S. Gallaher (177)

Notes: Following issue of June 27, 1835, Walker sold his interest in the *Compiler* to Richmond job-printer William H. Davis (1808-70), apparently at end of four-month-long agreement with Gallaher that had facilitated purchase of daily from Robinson.

References: LCCN No. 94-060030; Cappon 1246.

Variant 19: Richmond Courier and Daily Compiler

Publication Data: November 21, 1836 to January 1837 Daily (ex. Sun)

Proprietors: William H. Davis

IVP Associates: ----

Notes: After issue of November 19, 1836, Gallaher and Davis parted company in dispute over the political direction of *Compiler*; Gallaher yielded to Davis's intent to keep a non-partisan stance, and moved on to an editorial role at the *Richmond Whig*; Davis became paper's sole proprietor for about six weeks until he secured a new editorial partner.

References: LCCN No. 94-060030; Cappon 1246.

Variant 20: The Richmond Compiler

Publication Data: January 1837 to August 26, 1844 Daily (ex. Sun)

Proprietors: Cowardin & Davis

IVP Associates: ----

Notes: In early January 1837, printer Davis took on editor James A. Cowardin (1811-82), formerly a clerk in the office of the *Enquirer*, as his new partner; the pair promptly resumed using shortened title to form used briefly in 1835 by Gallaher & Walker; Cowardin eventually turned *Compiler* into a Whig paper in advance of the 1840 elections.

References: LCCN No. 85-026857; Cappon 1246.

Variante 21: The Times and Compiler

Publication Data: August 27, 1844 to April 19, 1845 Daily (ex. Sun)

Proprietors: Cowardin & Davis

IVP Associates: ----

Notes: With issue of August 27, 1844, Cowardin & Davis adopted a new title for their daily; at the same time, the "country edition" (LCCN no 86-071856) was restyled as *Richmond Times*.

References: LCCN No. 91-066171; Cappon 1246.

Variante 22: The Times and Compiler

Publication Data: April 21, 1845 to February 4, 1848 Daily (ex. Sun)

Proprietors: Carrington, Cowardin & Davis

IVP Associates: ----

Notes: With issue of April 21, 1845, Cowardin & Davis added William Cabell Carrington (1821-51), a lawyer from Charlotte County, as an editorial partner.

References: LCCN No. 91-066171; Cappon 1246.

Variante 23: The Times and Compiler

Publication Data: February 5, 1848 to July 1849 Daily (ex. Sun)

Proprietors: Carrington & Davis

IVP Associates: ----

Notes: Following issue of February 4, 1848, Cowardin retired from the *Compiler* concern so as to pursue other business interests; his partners bought him out, so forming the new firm of Carrington & Davis.

References: LCCN No. 91-066171; Cappon 1246.

Variante 24: Daily Richmond Times

Publication Data: July 1849 to December 25, 1851 Daily (ex. Sun)

Proprietors: Carrington & Davis

IVP Associates: ----

Notes: Sometime in July 1849, Carrington & Davis retitled their daily, so abandoning the original

Compiler name; they also retitled the country edition as the *Richmond Semi-Weekly Times* (LCCN no. 94-060040). Carrington died unexpectedly December 25, 1851; thereafter, paper was conducted by his estate, indicating that Davis had withdrawn from the concern prior to his death.

References: LCCN No. 86-071855; Cappon 1246.

Variant 25: Richmond Daily Times

Publication Data: December 26, 1851 to early February 1852 Daily (ex. Sun)

Proprietors: Uncredited

IVP Associates: -----

Notes: Carrington died unexpectedly December 25, 1851; thereafter, paper was conducted by his estate, indicating that Davis had withdrawn from the concern prior to his death.

References: LCCN No. 86-071855; Cappon 1246.

Variant 26: Richmond Daily Times

Publication Data: February 1852 to October 10, 1853 Daily (ex. Sun)

Proprietors: Irving, Scott, & Co.

IVP Associates: -----

Notes: The triumvirate of Carter H. Irving (1817-95), Martin P. Scott (1822-1904), and John Scott (1820-1907) acquired this daily from Carrington's estate in February 1852. Last number known is issue for June 20, 1853, leading to suggestions by several authorities that paper ceased publication about that time; notices in other papers, however, report sale of paper in October 1853 and its subsequent retitling; still, the country edition apparently ceased publication with that sale.

References: LCCN No. 86-071855; Cappon 1246.

Variant 27: The Evening Bulletin

Publication Data: October 11, 1853 to December 1, 1854 Daily (ex. Sun)

Proprietors: Thomas Bailie & Co.

IVP Associates: -----

Notes: In early October 1853, the Scott brothers sold their interest in the daily to printer Thomas Bailie (1816-57) and lawyer Alexander H. Sands (1828-87); Carter H. Irving kept an interest in the concern and continued editing the paper; under the new arrangement, the journal was reduced in page-size and issued as an evening paper under the title above, becoming a "penny print," evidently Richmond's first, beginning on October 11, 1853. The changes did not succeed economically, however, and the firm was dissolved by mutual consent on December 1, 1854, bringing publication of the city's first successful daily to an end.

References: LCCN No. 84-024697; Cappon 1224.
