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To

MY WIFE .

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PREFACE

IN seeking the origins of the corporate and other big business enterprises which appeared in steadily increasing numbers after the American Revolution, the first twelve chapters of this study really serve as an introduction to the last two, in which the earliest of those enterprises are analyzed. Such a study necessarily emphasizes the constructive rather than the destructive forces at work in the period, but this in no wise invalidates the thesis. For if the facts cited do not explain the results, what facts do? Surely not the destructive ones. Nor can it be argued that what happened after 1781 was due solely to the financial leadership of Alexander Hamilton. Not only were his ideas not to materialize for another decade, but he was then to appear more truly as the spokesman for, rather than as the creator of, a new business element.

It is inevitable that some discussion of politics should accompany a monograph like this, since politics and business are closely related. In the two chapters which deal with that subject, however, the thesis requires an emphasis on economic factors which results in the virtual exclusion of many others. Such a treatment therefore makes no pretence to finality, but rather to a tentative hypothesis, to be weighed in the light of subsequent research. I say subsequent, because I do not believe that there has as yet been sufficient study of the Revolution through which to evaluate a work of this type, even from the political angle. Documents of a particular kind abound, but only a few really critical interpretations, especially those made upon a broad basis of social facts, have been forthcoming. Such an unfortunate situation is largely due to a heavy crust of tradition, which has been only partially dispelled by the works of such men as William Graham Sumner, Charles A. Beard, J. Franklin Jameson, Joseph Stancliffe Davis, Allan Nevins, Edward Channing, Charles H. Lincoln, and Thomas P. Abernethy.

It has been my good fortune to make this study under the direction of an historian fully aware of the need for further critical investigation. To Professor Evarts Boutell Greene of Columbia University I am indebted for my introduction to the problem, in his seminar on the Revolutionary Era. In the years of research since then, he has given me heavily of his time and advice, combining scholarly criticism with a wonderful amount of patience. In all fairness to him, and to those persons mentioned below, I should add that full responsibility for the development of the thesis, the research that lies behind it, and the form of its presentation, rests with myself alone.

Also of the Department of History of Columbia University, Professor John Krout gave me the benefit of two readings of the manuscript, Professor Harry Carman kindly criticized an early draft, and Professor Allan Nevins helped in several important ways to enable me to complete the work. A portion of Chapter Nine was developed in a history seminar conducted by Dr. Dixon Ryan Fox, formerly of Columbia University, and now President of Union College. To Dr. Charles A. Beard of New Milford, Connecticut, I am grateful for the heartening encouragement that followed his reading of a draft, and to Professor Norman S. B. Gras, of the Graduate School of Business, Harvard University, for stimulating criticism that resulted in improvement of terminology and the avoidance of error on several points. From his splendid knowledge of manuscript sources in the period, Mr. Thomas Robson Hay, of Great Neck, Long Island, gave me generous information. The Jonathan Jackson papers were made accessible through the kindness of Mr. Austin Clark, of Washington, D. C., and helpful information from the New York State Library, Albany, was supplied by Miss Edna Jacobsen of that institution. Miss Josephine Mayer, of Teachers College, Columbia University, enlarged my knowledge about several important characters, and Mr. Joseph Bailey, of New York City, and Dr. Leith Skinner, M.D., of Albany, New York, both criticized portions of the manuscript. Through the aid of Mr. Gerald Snedeker

of The National Archives, Washington, D. C., the task of proof reading was lightened. The dedication of the book to my wife is inadequate tribute to the person most responsible for the ultimate completion of the work, not only by her steady encouragement but by her assistance in preparing it for the press.

As an invaluable guide to the problems and personalities appearing in this study, the index should be carefully noted by the reader. It is a product of the fine scholarship of Mr. David M. Matteson, to whom all students of history have long had so much reason to be grateful.

I am also indebted to the following institutions for opening their resources to me, and to their staff members who were uniformly courteous and helpful: The Essex Institute, Salem, The Baker Library of the Graduate School of Business, Harvard University, The Massachusetts Historical Society, Boston, The American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, The Connecticut Historical Society, Hartford, The Connecticut State Library, Hartford, The Rhode Island Historical Society, Providence, The New York Historical Society, The New York Public Library, The Library of the Chamber of Commerce of New York State, The New York Bank and Trust Company, The American Jewish Historical Society, The Library of Columbia University, New York City, The Historical Society of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, The Library of Congress, The Division of Old Records of the War Department, The Treasury Department, Washington, D. C., and the Burton Historical Collection, in the Free Public Library, Detroit.

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APPENDIX A
NEW YORK BANK STOCKHOLDERS,
1784 OR 1785 *

<i>Name</i>	<i>Shares</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Shares</i>
Thomas B. Atwood	4	Matthew Cooper	2
Thomas & J. Arden	2	Stephen Crosfield	4
Philip Arcularius	5	Peter Clopper	2
Francis Atkinson	2	Isaac Cock	1
John Alsop	4	Elijah Cock	1
Thomas Buchanan	6	Ambrose Copland	1
Thomas Blane	2	Bryan Conner	2
Robert Bruce	1	George Douglass	4
James Buchanan	4	Robert Dunbar	2
Broome & Platt	2	William Depeyster	1
Samuel Broome	1	Thomas Duggan	1
Buchanon, Hunter & Co.	4	John Delancey	1
Thomas Bowne	1	John Delafield	1
Abraham Breevort	2	Richard Deane	1
Robert Bowne	4	Gesar Duyckinck	1
John Byvanck	1	William Dealing	2
Will Backhouse	1	Nicholas Delaplaine	1
Peter Byvank	1	George Embree	1
Corns J. Bogert	1	Elting & Varick	1
Berrien & Hunt	1	John Franklin	10
Abraham Bond	1	Samuel Franklin	10
Anthony L. Bleecker	2	John Fisher	1
John Broome	1	George Fisher	1
Theop Bache	2	James Farquhar	1
John Berry	4	Lewis Faugeres	6
Samuel Bard	2	Isaac Gouverneur	4
James Beekman	1	Archibald Gamble	2
Samuel Bayard, Jun	5	Galbreath & Thomson	4
Albion Cox	2	Thomas Goadsby	2
Isaac Cox	1	John Gasner	3
Cornelius Clopper	1	John A. Graham	4
John Charlton	1	Guyon, Carthy & Co.	1
John B. Coles	2	Robert Gault	1
Joseph Clement	1	Peter Goelet	1

* This list is undated, but internal evidence indicates that it was the original stockholders' list. It is in the vaults of the Bank of New York and Trust Co., and is furnished through the courtesy of that institution.

Hugh Gaine	3	Robert McWilliams	2
John Glover	1	John Murray	6
William Hill & Co.	2	John Murray, Jun	5
Alexander Hosiack	2	Robert Murray	6
John Hone	1	Nathan McVicar	1
Daniel Hartung	1	Peter McDougall & Co.	2
Lion Hart	1	Lindley Murray	5
Alexander Hamilton	1	William Maxwell	8
Joseph Hallet	1	Isaac Moses & Co.	4
Daniel Hitchcock	1	Isaac Moses for M. Josephson	1
John Henry	1	Isaac Moses for I. Nathan	1
Thomas Haviland	1	David Masterton	1
Hugh Henderson	2	Christopher Miller	1
Henry Haydock	2	John Mowatt	1
Ebenezer Haviland	1	Alexander McDougall	5
Benjamin Haviland	1	Mangle Minthorne	1
Uriah Hendricks	2	Her Mulligan	1
John Jones	3	Thomas Maule	2
Joshua Jones	2	Jacob Mott, Jun	1
Johnson & Ogden	4	Jacob Morrell	1
Thomas F. Jackson	1	Henry Nash & Co.	2
Peter Keteltas	1	Elias Nexon	1
Nicholas Lowe	4	Henry Newton	4
John Lawrence	1	William Neilson	2
Abraham P. Lott	1	Robert Pemberton	1
William Livingston	1	Pearsall & Embree	2
Nicholas Lowe p PN.	16	Sarah Pell	3
Ludlow & Goold	4	Evelyn Pierpont	6
Thomas Lawrence	1	John Price	2
Lyde & Rogers	2	John Porteous	2
Hayman Levy	1	Daniel Phoenix	1
Gabriel H. Ludlow	1	William Patrick	2
W. H. Ludlow	1	Lewis Pintard	6
Daniel Le Roy	1	Daniel Parker	4
John Peter Le Mayour	2	William Post	1
Christopher L. Lente	2	Thomas Pearsall	4
Jonathan Lawrence	4	Edmund Prior	1
Tom & Laurence	2	James Parsons	1
John Laurence	2	Stephen Rapalje	1
Abraham Lott	12	Alexander Robertson	10
Joseph Lawrence	2	Moses Rogers	5
Daniel McCormick	3	Edward K. Roston	1
Jacob Morris	4	Cornelius C. Roosevelt	1
John Miller	2	Thomas Randall	2
David Mitchelson	4	Alexander Robertson for W. Leslie	1

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Isaac Roosevelt	3	Peter Schermerhorn	1
John J. Roosevelt	1	Willet Seaman	1
Alexander Robertson for I. Smith	2	William Talman	1
Henry Remsen	1	Joseph Taylor	2
John Rogers	4	Thomas Ten Eyck	2
Nicholas Romayne	1	William Thomson & Co.	2
Cornelius Ray	1	John Thomson	1
John Remsen	2	Thomas Tucker	1
Christopher Robert	3	John Turner & Co.	2
Thomas Roach	2	Jacobus Vanzandt	4
Ezekiel Robins	1	John Vanderbilt	5
Riddell, Colquhoun & Co.	2	Andrew Vantuyl	8
Hecter St. John	6	William Ustick, Jun	2
Thomas Stoughton	6	Gulian Verplanck	2
John Stites	2	Richard Varick	1
Robert and G. Service	2	Eltig & Varick	1
John Shaw	2	Simon Van Antwerp	1
Bernard Swarthout	1	Viner Vanzandt	2
Peter Stuyvesant	2	Andrew Underhill	1
James & A. Stewart	1	Tobias Vanzandt	1
Comfort Sands	6	Hubert Van Wagener	2
Joseph Stringham	2	Willson & Saidler	2
James Scott & Co.	2	James Woodhull	1
Chua & R. Stewart	1	Benjamin Waddington	6
Josiah Shippey	1	Joshua Waddington	4
Edmund Seaman	2	Henry Waddington	4
John Staples	1	George Warner	2
Robert Smyth	1	Capt. John Walker p Wm. Max-	
William Shedden	4	well	1
Richard Sharp	2	Richard Willets	2
John Staples p W. Maxwell	1	Richard Warner	1
Jacob Sariy	4	Robert Watts	2
William Shotwell, Jun	1	William Young	2
George Scriba	1	Alexander Zuntz	1

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The sources used in the foregoing pages are here cited, with some critical evaluation of the manuscript material.

It will be noted that attention was focused upon the manuscripts, in an effort to bring out new facts. Newspapers of the period were not neglected, the *Providence Gazette*, the *Pennsylvania Packet*, the *Maryland Journal*, and others having been consulted for information on specific problems and years. Since, however, they were not systematically examined for the whole period, they are not listed below.

The great mass of genealogical material which was gone through is likewise left out of this bibliography. The contribution of single genealogical works is usually of microscopic value for any one period of history, and a citation of the works would be misleading. Nevertheless, no student can afford to ignore them if he would appreciate the intricacy of the family patterns which frequently lay behind economic and social activities in the colonial and Revolutionary periods. There are family genealogies mentioning many of the persons cited in this work (as the footnotes indicate), but only an examination of the index file of such a great genealogical repository as the New York Public Library can do justice to the subject. The publications of the various genealogical societies are full of scattered but vital information and most of them were gone through for this study. Few family genealogies are as valuable for the purposes of social and economic history as Lloyd Vernon Briggs, *History and Genealogy of the Cabot Family, 1475-1927* (two vols., Boston, 1927). On Philadelphia families, Frank Willing Leach, "Old Philadelphia Families," newspaper articles in the *Philadelphia Sunday North American* (Phila., 1907-1913) are the most complete, although John W. Jordan, *Colonial Families of Philadelphia* (two vols., Chicago and New York, 1911) is a monumental piece of work. On Massachusetts, Mary C. Crawford, *Famous Families of Massachusetts* (two vols., Boston, 1930), is a readable summary; and Thomas B. Wyman, *Genealogies and Estates of Charlestown* (Boston, 1879), is one of the most valuable of its kind. There is no single comprehensive and scholarly treatment of the genealogy of the New York families.

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The Andrew Craigie Papers. A box of miscellaneous correspondence, a box of legal documents, a box of bills, notes of hand, etc., and the earlier 1780 letters to Craigie (in a number of boxes of alphabetically arranged correspondence) were gone through. The collection contains virtually nothing on Craigie's war-time career, but it is rich in details concerning public security and land speculations in the 1780's and 1790's.

In the American Jewish Historical Society:

Haym Salomon Letter Book, 1781-1783. Short and inadequate for an understanding of his work as a bill broker in Philadelphia.

In the Burton Historical Collection in the Detroit Free Public Library:

Account Book "A" of Macomb, Edgar and Macomb, covering the Revolutionary war years when this firm furnished great quantities of supplies to the British army and Indian Department in and about Detroit.

In the private possession of Mr. Austin Clark of Washington, D. C.:

The Jonathan Jackson family papers. Contain occasional references to business matters.

In the Columbia University School of Business:

Charles Crooks' Estate Settlement Book. Shows the investments of a pre-Revolutionary business man of New York.

In the Connecticut Historical Society:

The Jeremiah Wadsworth Papers. Include a mass of the great Hartford merchant's correspondence, arranged in boxes by date, 1767-1804 (referred to in the text as Wadsworth Corresp.); account and waste books of various kinds, of Wadsworth with the U. S., of Wadsworth and Carter with the U. S. and with the French forces, during the war. Most of this was consulted for this study, but some was not, including a mass of miscellaneous papers, receipts, etc. This is the most valuable collection of material of the Revolutionary era, for the purposes of intelligent economic history. (There is a small collection of Wadsworth Papers in the New York Historical Society.)

In the Connecticut State Library:

The material in the Division of Revolutionary Records was used, secured through an index. Connecticut commissary agents' records are valuable.

In the Essex Institute:

Boston Ship Insurance Book, 1747-1756. The most complete record of its kind now available for eighteenth century America.

Derby Family Papers. Those relating to the Revolutionary years were looked over, but not much material was found for this study.

In the Manuscript Room of the Baker Library of the Graduate School of Business Administration, Harvard University:

N. Barrell and Company Ledger, 1784-1795, and a companion waste book. They contain entries for a variety of commercial and securities' speculations by this eminent Boston firm, and indicate a large income from interest money.

Codman-Smith Letter Book, 1780-1783. It reveals the international trading interests of a Boston firm and its Philadelphia associates.

John Codman, Jr. Letter Book, 1783-1785. Pertaining especially to the foreign commerce of Boston. This firm was known as Codman and Smith during the Revolution.

Massachusetts Bank Records. Fairly complete and invaluable for that reason. Include Directors' Minutes, Stockholders' Minutes, a Dividend Book, etc., from 1784.

Daniel Parker Letter Book, 1781-1783. Enlightening material on the activities of William Duer's Massachusetts army contracting partner, later an internationally known speculator in Europe.

John Welsh, Jr. Letter Book, 1781-1786. Pertaining especially to the foreign commerce of Boston, like the Codman Book. It mentions several transactions with the French forces during the war.

In the Massachusetts Historical Society:

Amory Family Papers. Some of them relate to the period under survey, including a valuable Ship Account Book for 1777, 1778.

Caleb Davis Papers. A large collection of mercantile records of all kinds, including those of William D. Cheever, in this period.

Lee-Cabot Papers. Give information on trade and privateering.

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- Day Book of the New York agent of Glassford, Gordon and Monteath, of Glasgow, Scotland, 1777-1782.** In account with merchants in the West Indies, Norfolk, Savannah, Philadelphia, and New York, through their agent. One of the few remaining records pertaining to the commerce of New York City during the Revolution.
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Jeremiah Wadsworth Papers. A small miscellaneous collection.

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In the Manuscript Room of the New York Public Library:

The Samuel Adams Papers. Selections made between 1783 and 1790 contain interesting comments on general conditions and on the course of politics.

Elias Boudinot Ledger, 1760-1814. Shows some of the financial interests of a lawyer-capitalist.

William Edgar Papers. A vast collection of photostated letters relating to the western career and post-Revolutionary interests of the fur trader who moved to New York City.

Emmet Collection. A calendar, published in 1900, describes its contents.

Nalbro Frazier Letter Book, 1784-1799. International trade letters of the Philadelphia partner of Tench Coxe, 1784-1790.

Robert Henderson Letter Book, 1780-1784. The New York business of an immigrant Scotch merchant who later moved to Philadelphia. (The subsequent volume of his letters is in the Historical Society of Pennsylvania).

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In the Rhode Island Historical Society:

The Moses Brown Papers. Volumes II, III, IV, covering 1775-1784, were gone through. They give but meagre information on the war-time business of Providence. (The great Brown collection is in the John Carter Brown Library, but is inaccessible at present.)

The Nightingale-Jenckes Papers, 1750-1800. Two miscellaneous volumes. They give little information on the war years. A Samuel Nightingale Account Book, 1765-1785, mentions some of the private and public securities he held before and during the war.

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