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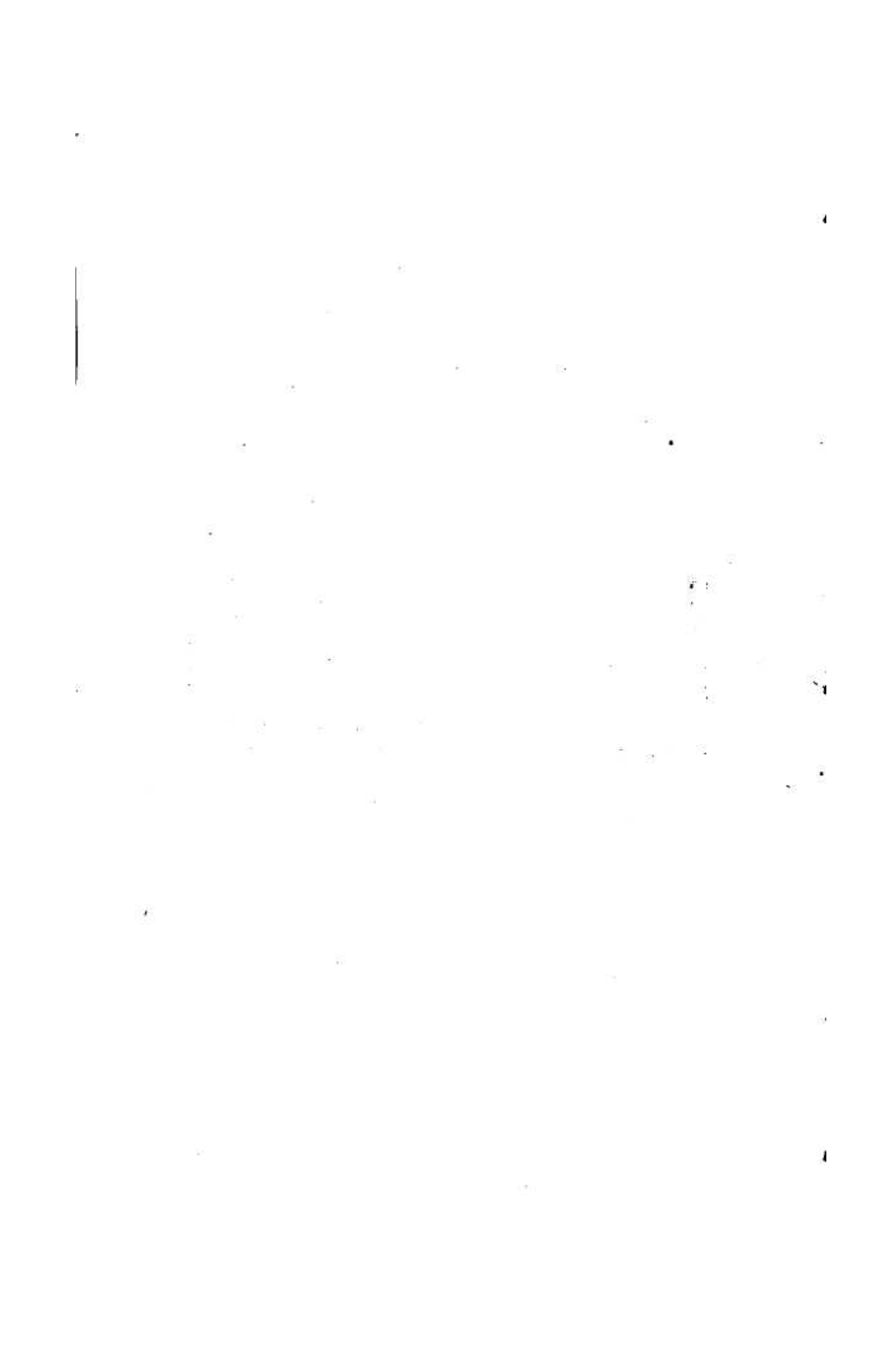
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INTRODUCTION.

The first issue of *The South-Carolina Gazette* appeared on Saturday, January 8, 1732, and it was published continuously once a week until December, 1775, when it temporarily suspended publication on account of war conditions. It resumed publication on Monday, April 14, 1777, with its name changed to *The Gazette of the State of South-Carolina*, and continued to be published, under various changes of name, until some time during the year 1802, when it finally passed out of existence.

The death notices here given are from the files from the beginning of the paper to its first suspension and change of name.

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On Tuesday last died Joseph Haynes, which was the 17th Day after his being first taken ill of the Small-pox, of which Distemper (agreeable to our last) he was, the Day before his Death, in a fair Way of Recovery, and supposed to be out of Danger, but upon shifting himself took cold, which occasion'd so sudden and fatal an Alteration. We hear the Nurse who attended him in his Illness, is ordered to continue in the House where he died for 20 Days, by Way of Quarentine.

On Wednesday last died of a Flux, at Mr. Stephen Beaton's in this Town, one Mr. Tho. Cole, a Person who came from Providence to this Place about 6 Months ago for his Health. A few Days before his Death, he made his Will, and left the Chief of his Effects to his Brother in England, and of his Will made the said Mr. Beaton Executor, who, having since his Death open'd his Boxes, before proper Witnesses, found therein 727 Onnces of Silver, and about the Value of 50l. Sterling in Gold, besides several Parcels of small Goods, as Thread, Tape, &c. in which he had been a Dealer. He was a Dissenter, and a Man of fair Character. (Saturday, April 1, 1732.)

On Monday last, after a very long Disorder, died, Mrs. Mazyck, the Wife of Mr. Isaac Mazyck, sen. Merchant of this Town, in an advanced Age, and on Wednesday following she was interr'd in the Church-Yard of this Place, in a very handsome Manner, being attended to her Funeral by most of the chief Merchants, and publick Officers of the Province, that were then in Town. (Saturday, April 8, 1732.)

On Monday Morning last died Mr. *William Hammerton*, Naval Officer of this Port. (Saturday, April 29, 1732.)

The same Day* one ——— *Thomas*, belonging to the Indian Trade, died suddenly at the Bowling Green House, as he was going to take Horse, being in all Appearance in perfect Health just before. (Saturday, July 1, 1732.)

On Sunday last, at the Seat of the Hon. Col. *Broughton*, President of his Majesty's Council for this Province, died Madam *Johnson*, his Excellency the Governor's Lady; after a pretty long Indisposition. She was a Lady so remarkable for the good Qualities of a Wife and Mother, that his Excellency's Loss can be supported only by that happy and steady Disposition of Mind *He himself* is Master of. By all her other amiable Qualities, in Life, she had gained the universal Esteem of this Province, and consequently her Death proves a General Concern; which was in some Measure testified by the Number of Persons, of all Ranks, that paid their last Respects at her Funeral, which Ceremony was performed in the Church at *Charlestown*, in the most handsome Manner that possibly it could. We hear that most People design, on this Occasion, to put themselves in Mourning. (Saturday, July 8, 1732.)

On Monday Morning last died Mr. *Eleazer Philips*, Printer in this Town. As did the next Day Mr. *Brawn* the Dancing Master, at a Gentleman's Plantation in the Country, and both after a very short Illness. Some others in Town, have died suddenly of Fevers lately. (Saturday, July 15, 1732.)

On the 24th of last Month, was drown'd in crossing over a Creek near Cape Roman, Mr. *John Bampffield*, our Provost Marshal, with one Mr. *Westlead*, and 4 Negroes, by the oversetting of their Canoe.

On Sunday last was drown'd, Mr. *Morris Harvey*, the Pilot, by the oversetting of the Canoe, as he was going ashore on *Suillivan's Island*. And

On Tuesday last died Mr. *William Johnson*, his Excellency the Governor's second son.

Yesterday Morning died Mr. *Henry Hargrave*, Deputy Secretary of this Province. (Saturday, August 5, 1732.)

We hear from *Providence*, that his Excellency *Woods Rogers*, Esq, Governor of that Place, died there the 20th of last Month. (Saturday, August 12, 1732.)

*Wednesday.

One Day last Week, one Richard Birmingham, belonging to his Majesty's Ship the Shoreham, was drowned in Wappoo Creek, over against Col. Lucas's Plantation, by oversetting of the Canoe, in endeavouring to get the Grappling up. (Saturday, October 7, 1732.)

On Thursday last, one Thomas Morrison, being disordered in his Senses, drowned himself: And the next Day the Body was taken up, and the Coroner's Inquest sat on the same, and brought in their Verdict *Non compos Mentis*. (Saturday, October 14, 1732.)

Died suddenly of an Apoplexy, on Monday last, within sight of his Plantation at Goose-Creek, *Mr. Jacob Satur*, a wealthy Merchant of this Town. (Saturday, December 9, 1732.)

On Friday the 23d of this Instant, died *John Herbert*, Esq; sole Commissioner of the *Indian Trade*, at his Plantation on *Goose-Creek*, a Gentleman very much esteemed for his many good Qualities, especially his strict Justice and Impartiality in the Execution of his Office. His Death is lamented by all who knew him. (Saturday, March 31, 1733.)

On Monday last, died the Lady of the Honourable Col. Broughton, President of his Majesty's Council of this Province, a Lady of great Piety and Charity, and very much lamented, by all that knew her. (Saturday, June 30, 1733.)

Last Week, one *James Ballenis*, an *Indian Trader*, coming from *Savannah Town*, drop'd from his Horse and died suddenly. (Saturday, August 25, 1733.)

On the 23d last past in the morning, one *Martin Dunn*, belonging to his Majesty's Ship the *Alborough*, happened to be with *Benjamin Story* in his Periauger in the Northern Branch of *Stono River*, and striking at an Alligator, fell over board and down to the Ground immediately: No doubt but the Alligator made a good breakfast on him. (Saturday, March 2, 1734.)

We are informed that Capt. *MCcliss*, loaden with Pitch and Tarr and bound from this Port to London, after having been a Fortnight at Sea, had the Misfortune that his Vessel sprung a leak and sunk, and that he and two of his Men narrowly escaped by putting out the Yawl: A Brigg being then in sight, and seeing them in Distress, came up and took them on board, but after having been in her about two Weeks, Capt. *MCcliss* and his two Men, and the Capt. of the Brigg with two of his Sailors were all at once washed over board. (Saturday, March 9, 1734.)

On Monday last died here, after a few Days Illness, *George Head*, a Gentleman who came here with a Cargo from *Phila-*

delphia and *Providence* in the Schooner *Jolly Batchelor*, and was decently buried the same day on the Friends Burying-Ground. (Saturday, July 6, 1734.)

On Tuesday the 13th Instant died near Ashley River in the 104th Year of her Age, Mrs. Elizabeth Baker, her Maiden Name was Elizabeth Wilson, she was born in Wiltshire, in a Town called Shruton the 18 of August 1630, she lived in England 27 years, in Barbados 23 years, and in Carolina 54 years: She had 12 Children, 2 of them being alive yet, 25 Grand Children, and 43 Great Grand-Children, and the same Day she died, one of her Great Grand-Daughters, the Spouse of Coll. Palmer, was delivered of a Child.

On the 14th died the Reverend Mr. John Witherspoon, a Presbyterian Minister at James's Island. (Saturday, August 17, 1734.)

On Friday the 16th Instant in the night died suddenly *Roger Lownds* Esq; who a Week before was appointed Lieutenant of his Majesty's Snow the *Happy*.

Sunday last died Doct. *Thomas Cooper*, a Man of good Character, and very much regretted. And yesterday died Mrs. Baker, Spouse of Mr. *John Baker*, an eminent Merchant in this Town. Wednesday last came into this Harbour the Sloop *Lydia*, bound from Philadelphia to *Georgia*; They came to Anchor off the Barr on the 19th in the evening, and the next morning in weighing the Anchor one of the Handspikes broke, and gave the Mate of the said Sloop, *Benjamin Newble*, such a blow on the right side of his head, that he fell down and soon after expired, which occasioned the Loss of their Anchor. (Saturday, August 24, 1734.)

On Sunday last died Mr. John Franklin, a Gentleman of a very good Behaviour, which made him esteem'd and beloved by every body, and as he died Batchelor, we hear he is very much regretted by a young Lady with whom he was going to be married, if Death had not taken him away. (Saturday, October 12, 1734.)

On Saturday last between twelve and one o'Clock died, after a long and lingering Sickness, His Excellency Robert Johnson Esq; Captain General, Governor and Commander in Chief in and over this his Majesty's Province, and was decently interred on Monday last in a Vault near the Altar in Charles-Town Church. His Pall was supported by the Gentlemen of the Council, and his Corps was attended to the Grave by the Lower House

of Assembly, headed by their Speaker, and a numerous Body of Gentlemen and Ladies who came from all Parts of the Province, where timely Notice could be had of his death, to pay their last Respects to one whom they might justly look upon as their common Father. The Troop and the two Compagnies of Charles-Town Foot appeared on this melancholy Occasion, to add to the Solemnity of the Procession. The principal Mourners were his Excellency's two Sons and two Daughters, his Brother in Law Thomas Broughton Esq; our present Governor, and his Family. His Excellency died in the 59th Year of his Age, and in the 5th of his Government. He had on his Advancement disposed of all his Patrimony in England, so that his Interest might concur with his Inclinations in promoting the Welfare of that Country his Majesty had done him the Honour to intrust him with the Care of, and accordingly always kept up a good Correspondence with the Assembly, as they were all fully convinced by the whole Tenor of his Conduct, that the Interest of the Province lay principally at his Heart. But it will be needless to enlarge upon a Life & Character so well known, and which have render'd his Death so universally and deservedly lamented over the whole Province. (Saturday, May 10, 1735.)

On Fryday the 16th Instant about twelve of the Clock, died the Wife of the Hon. PAUL JENYS Esq; Speaker of the Hon. the Commons House of Assembly. (Saturday, May 24, 1735.)

On Monday night last Capt. *Robert Robinson*, Master of the Billander, called the *Oliver*, got up, and was seen by one of the Passengers, going forward to the head of the Vessel, and no further notice taken of him, but in the morning was miss'd, supposed to be fallen over board. A Sloop coming up the River last Friday saw the Sharks tossing up a Man in the Water, and tearing him to Pieces, having on a Scotch Plad Banyan, confirms this supposition, he having been that night in such a dress. (Saturday, August 9, 1735.)

On Saturday last died here Capt. *Anthony Mathews*, an eminent Merchant & Settler of this Province, who by his Industry, Frugality & Improvement in Mercontil Affairs, acquired one of the greatest Estates in this Country. He first arrived in this Province about the Year 1680. Now near 55 Years since, and died lamented in the 73d Year of his age, and was decently burried on Monday last. But what is observable is, that his *Pall* was supported by six of the ancient Inhabitants of this Town, hardly one of whom had seen less than 40 Years revolve since their first