Hartshorne, William (1742-1816)

Hugh Hartshorne bill of lading
1765 April 6

Abstract: This bill of lading was issued for 139 barrels of flour to be shipped from Philadelphia merchant Hugh Hartshorne to his son William Hartshorne at William Hartshorne & Company in Antigua. The flour was shipped aboard the Brigantine Tryal.
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Biographical Notes

Hugh Hartshorne (b. 1719) was a Philadelphia merchant.

Hugh Hartshorne's son, William Hartshorne (1742-1816), began a business in Antigua in 1761. The shipment of flour noted in this bill of lading was destined for his business. Between 1773 and 1775 William Hartshorne moved to a plantation near Alexandria, Virginia, where he was a friend and business associate of George Washington.

James Adams (1725?-1792), whose imprint is on this bill of lading, was Delaware's first printer. Prior to moving his business to Wilmington, Delaware, in 1761, Adams worked in the Philadelphia printing house of Franklin and Hall.

Sources:


Scope and Content Note

This bill of lading was issued for 139 barrels of flour to be shipped from Philadelphia merchant Hugh Hartshorne to his son William Hartshorne at William Hartshorne & Company in Antigua. The flour was shipped aboard the Brigantine *Tryal*. Charles West, who was the master of the Brig *Tryal*, issued the bill of lading on April 6, 1765, as the ship was anchored in the Delaware River. The bill of lading was printed in 1761 by James Adams at Fifth Street in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The paper is handmade with chain lines and the text of the document is embellished with a printed initial block of an "S" over a sailing ship.
Selected Search Terms

**Personal Names**

West, Charles.

Hartshorne, Hugh (b. 1719)

Hartshorne, William (1742-1816)

Adams, James, 1724?-1792.

**Corporate Names**

Tryal (Brigantine)

**Topical Terms**

Shipping--18th century.

**Geographic Names**

Philadelphia (Pennsylvania)--Commerce--18th century.

Antigua--Commerce--18th century.

**Form/Genre Terms**

Bills of lading.

**Occupation**

Merchants--18th century--Sources.

**Personal Contributors**

Hartshorne, Hugh (b. 1719)

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