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James Claxton [illegible] (Stevenson, Randolph & Claxton) 757

SIDE ONE

Randolph has charg'd Sundries which I do not think he has a right to be allowed Viz^t —

1776 —
June 5. p^d Bonner & Middletons Adv^t. £0. 16. 0 } This was for Anonymous Adv^ts. to Serve his
Sepr. 11. p^d Routh & Nelson . . . Ditto . . 0 . . 16 . 0 } own infamous purposes relative to the part-
Octr. 5. p^d R^d. Hornby . . . . . 0 . . 17 . . 0 } nership, wch. I had nothing to do with —

What this was for I don't know, if it was an Appraiser to Value any thing as R: employ'd him without consulting any body, he must pay him —

Nov^r. — 13th p^d Gilb^t. Davis Carp^r. at the Counter 3 . . 15 — I did not know we were to be at any further Expence than removeing the Desk out of one Room into Another, Randolph told me that Room was quite enough for his own Business, & that he had put up a Partition at his own Expence, as indeed he ought to have done, it being for his Accomodation & not for the Partnership nor do I see any reason the Partnership has to be burthend with the whole Rent of a Place which was almost entirely made use of to do his own Gov^t. business contracts &c —

Decr. 23 p^d Thos. Cocking . . £6 . . 1 . . 0 ~~This Transpire~~

31. p^d Clerks Wages from 10th Novr. 1775 . . . . . } 25. 0. 0 This is the most bare faced imposition that was ever attempted — I never bargin'd or consented to pay his Boy any Wages, Randolph ask'd my consent to let him come into the Counting House which I had no Objection to, & for some time After he was there I Observed he was endeavoring to improve himself by Copying some of the Books & entering the Weights of some Tobacco in the Weight Book, which I understood from Mr. James was with the same intention Randolph having Desired him to instruct the Boy, Who I apprehend was employ'd in Randolphs own Gov^t. Business & therefore unreasonable to be charg'd the Partnership —

I gave William James (tho he had been employ'd a year or two before he came to me) only £20 a Year for Which he kept the Books & did much Other Business, if Randolph employ'd the Boy about ~~the~~ any Books he was incapable of doing what was proper & therefore whatever he did do, could be only to improve himself, but that must be at R^s. Expence & not the Partnership —

1777
March: 12th p^d Saml. Worrall presentments £1 . . 0 . . 0, If our Partnership did expire as Randolph says it did 1 Jany. 1776, what right has he to chg^e. Presentments which could be only taken in for his own Amusement —

1775
Decr. 8. Profitt & Loss p^d W^m. R^d. Expences to London £8 . . 9 . . 1 — Randolph did not go to London on any business that I was made acquainted with, This I know that he then supplanted (by what means he will know) Mr. Garnett the Person Who was wrote to by Mr. Jno. Wilkinson of London Broker relative to hiring Transports & he acknowledged another part of the Business he transacted there was with some person in Office relative to the Contracts which he meant to secure for himself in prejudice to the