

CLERK

William Dougherty, p 79, 112, and 142, was Mark Bird's clerk at 40 L a year, about ^{106.45} ~~25.00~~ as this Record began, BUT by Jan. 28, 1785 was earning 17/6 a week, ^{45L 10S} ~~20~~ a year, about ^{130.00} ~~150.00~~. However, he ONLY worked 23 weeks at the higher rate!

Unlike John Gray, he received his board as well; his earnings were all "in the clear." This free boarding statement is based on the complete absence of any food purchase on the three pages of Dougherty's account.

(His position as clerk leaves ^S the BISTINCTIVE handwriting change of Aug. 12, 1784 ~~unexplained~~ noted in the John Gray account, unexplained.

Dougherty spent a considerable amount of his total income on clothing, shoes and stockings. He had three low-amount ^T accounts with Tailor B McCormick and several with John Gray and Reading merchants, Moore and Durdass. He drew over 3 L in cash and finally bought a pair of women's shoes. Did this last purchase mean a marriage?

At Record's end, Dougherty owed Mark Bird 8 shillings and 3½ pence, about \$1.15 out of total earnings of 40.4.8½ about \$107.00.