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On November 16, 1793, President George Washington, his secretary, Colonel Dandridge, and two servants moved into Col. Isaac Franks' home, Germantown, Pennsylvania. Prior to this date Col. Franks had made a room by room inventory of all furnishings in the house. A copy is attached. The original inventory is in the Germantown Historical Society library, Germantown, Pennsylvania.

During this period (1793), Washington spent approximately two weeks in Col. Franks' home, from November 16 to November 30.

During the summer of 1794, Washington returned to Germantown and spent six weeks in the Franks house, from July 30 to September 20. On this occasion he was accompanied by Mrs. Washington and her two grandchildren, Eleanor Parke Custis and George Washington Parke Custis. In all probability the Franks house was better furnished on this occasion than in November, 1793, for two loads of furniture were sent from Philadelphia. It is logical to assume, however, that most of the furnishings listed in Col. Franks' inventory of November, 1793, were in the house during Washington's occupancy in 1794.

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COPY OF INVENTORY OF FURNITURE AND HOUSEHOLD ACCESSORIES  
IN HOME BELONGING TO COLONEL ISAAC FRANKS,  
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first Right Hand Room

two window Curtains 2 Blinds Do Do Curtains one Looking-Glass  
Six Chairs with Chintz Bottoms  
[One Looking Glass]<sup>1</sup>  
1 Dining Table  
1 Breakfast Table  
an open Stove  
a pr. Plated Candle Sticks  
a Doble [sic] Sett [sic] of Hankeen China 72 pieces  
1 Large Wailer  
1 Snuffer Tray  
1 pr hand Irons [andirons] Shovel & Tongues [tongs]  
1 plated Goblet pint Cup with 2 handles  
2 Large Pictuers [sic]

first Left hand Room

3 Chintz Window Curtains  
1 Green Vinesial [Venetian] Blinds  
1 Looking Glass & 2 Gerendoes [girandoles]  
1 Dining Table  
2 Card Tables  
1 Dining Table  
2 Mahogany Arm Chairs  
8 Mahogany Stuffed Bottom Chairs  
1 pr Large Hand Irons [andirons] Shovel & Tongues [tongs]  
2 Gerendoes [girandoles]  
4 Pictures  
1 pr. Plated Candle Sticks  
1 Sett [sic] Mantle [sic] China  
82 Rails [rails]  
15 posts

in the Back Room Adjoining

One Card Table  
4 Windsor [Windsor] Chairs  
2 Small Pictures

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<sup>1</sup> A line was drawn through this item on the original document, probably by Colonel Franks.

[In the Back Room Adjoining (Continued)]

China in the Closett [Sic]

- 9 China Plates
- 2 Do Sauces Boats & China Choklet [Sic] Pot
- 1 Do Castor
- 1 Large China Tureen
- 1 China Punch Boul [Sic]
- 1 Do. Sugar Dish
- 1 pr hand Irons [andirons] Shovel & Tongues [tongs]

in The first Kitchen

- 1 English [Sic] Guttered Gread Iron [gridiron]
- 3 flat Brass Candle Sticks [Sic]
- 1 Spit
- 1 flesh fork
- 1 Egg Stick
- 1 Cullender [collander]
- 3 Iron Ladles
- 1 Iron Ladl [Sic]
- a Drudging Box & funnel
- 2 Grators [Sic]
- 1 pr Snuffers
- 1 Quart Tankard
- 1 point [pint] mug
- 9 Flat Irons & 1 Stand
- 1 Chees [Sic] Toster [Sic]
- 1 Iron ford [fork] Large
- 3 Large Patty Pans
- 1 Table 1 Chair & 2 Benches & one Tamel [trammel]
- a Corner Cubbard [Sic] one Picture
- 1 Black pitcher
- 3 Coffe [Sic] Potts [Sic] 1 Tin 1 China 1 Large Copper
- 4 Dekanters [Sic]
- 9 Elegant Wine Glasses
- 6 Cups & Saucers
- 1 Milk Pot
- 1 Mustard Pott [Sic]
- 1 Slop Boul [Sic]
- 1 Tin Kittle [Sic] with Cover
- 32 Plates
- 4 Large Dishes
- 2 Gravy Tureens
- 1 Salt Box
- 1 Sallet [salad] Dish

In The Back room adjoining

- a Ten plate Stove
- a Dresser
- 2 Arm Chairs Yellow
- 3 Green Windsor [sic] Chairs
- 1 Table Painted
- 1 Looking Glass

In The Back Kitchen Adjoining

- 1 Trunk [Crammel]
- 1 Table
- 3 Chafing Dishes
- 1 Lantern
- 2 frying pans
- 4 Iron pots & one Iron Cover
- 2 Chairs
- 3 Pails
- 1 Table & Ironing Board
- 2 Tea kettles [sic]
- 4 Candle-Sticks
- 2 Copper kettles [sic]
- 1 tin mug
- 1 paper [sic] mill
- 2 pair andirons
- 1 Sand Selve
- 1 roleing [rolling pin]
- 1 pair bellows
- 2 pair Pot Hooks
- 1 large Copper Sauce pan
- 1 quart Black mug
- 1 bench
- 1 Brass washing kettle [sic]
- 3 washing tubs

In The Back room

- 2 Chairs
- 1 Writing Desk & Table

In The Stable

- 2 1/2 Tons hay
- a Cart one open Stove
- one six plate Stove
- 7 fowls [sic] 20 Ducks
- an Iron Fire fender

up Stairs in The Bed Chamber on The Right Hand

One Bed Stead [bedstead] & Curtains  
One Bed Bolster & 2 pillows [sic]  
One pair Sheets & pr pillow Cases [sic]  
2 Blankets  
a Green Rug & a White Counter Pane [sic]  
1 Looking Glass  
1 Bureau & Cover  
Six Chairs  
1 pr hand Irons [andirons] Shovel & Tongues [longs]  
One Carpet & five Side Carpet

In The Bedroom opposite

One Bed Stead [bedstead] 2 Bed Bolsters & Pillow  
One pr. Sheets 1 pillow Sheets  
Six Blankets  
One Chintz Bed Spread [sic]  
1 Looking Glass  
1 Table  
1 Arm Chair  
4 Chairs [chairs] with Covers  
1 Carpet  
1 Mahogany Chest Drawers [sic]

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N.B. Names of the rooms were not underlined in the original inventory.