

Historical Society, we are indebted for the information that "*Vox Oculis Subjecta*" was written by his kinsman,—Francis Green, of Medford, Massachusetts (the same who published translations from De L'Épée in the *New England Palladium*, in 1803),—and that Francis Green was also the anonymous writer *Philocophos*.

Dr. Green also made known the fact that Francis Green left an autobiography, which still exists in the possession of a grandson, Commander Francis M. Green, of the United States Navy. This unpublished autobiography, in the handwriting of Francis Green himself —(written in 1806)—confirms and verifies the conclusion that Francis Green,—*Philocophos*—the author of the De L'Épée translation of 1801—and the author of "*Vox Oculis Subjecta*,"¹ were one and the same person.

Francis Green was born in Boston in 1742. In 1745, his father (Benjamin) accompanied Sir William Pepperrell, as his private secretary, to Cape Breton, and after the fall of Louisburg he remained in that city, holding official positions, and later he received a government appointment at Halifax, N. S., where he settled permanently with his family. Francis, however, spent a portion of his school days in Boston. He was a pupil in Mr. Lovell's school, and at the age of fourteen years entered Harvard College. The following year, 1757, his father having previously purchased for him an Ensign's commission in the British army, he was ordered to his regiment, where he served for some time. He received his degree at Harvard in 1760, and in 1766 sold his commission in the army, returned to Boston, married his cousin, Susanna (daughter of the well-known patriot Joseph Green), and established himself as a merchant in that city. He was an importer of general merchandise. He owned a vessel "*The Susanna*,"

¹ A copy of "*Vox Oculis Subjecta*," containing many notes in the handwriting of Francis Green, may be found in the Volta Bureau for the Increase and Diffusion of Knowledge relating to the Deaf, 35th and Q Streets, Washington, D. C.