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FIRST SERIES.

THE past has a charm for Americans, as well as for the inhabitants of countries whose history extends far into the shadowy and unknown; *our* early and romantic past has the merit of being known and truly related; everything which adds to these truths is sought for with avidity by the curious and intelligent inquirer. We have now many autograph collectors, who may be viewed in the light of preservers of documents which would otherwise perish or be dispersed; to few, comparatively, are their treasures revealed. It was suggested, therefore, that a few of the most rare and curious "Historical and Literary Curiosities" in the possession of individuals, should be grouped for the amusement and instruction of the present and of future generations, who may well know from printed accounts *what* things were done, but who can also thus learn *how* they were done.

Nearly all the articles in the present collection have been taken by competent artists from the originals of which they purport to be fac-similes. Considerable labor and trouble have been expended in collecting together the varied materials here presented; but it has been with the Editors a "labor of love," rewarded by the pleasure of the pursuit.

The work having been received with extraordinary favor by the public, and a fifth edition being called for, some additions and alterations have been made, which will create increased interest in the volume.

J. JAY SMITH,
JOHN F. WATSON.

* * Fully to understand the work, it is necessary, in turning over the pages, to have constant reference to the Table of Contents, where will be found many explanations for which space could not be found on the plates.

NOTE TO THE SIXTH EDITION.

Notwithstanding the announcement in the second series of this work that the first would not be reprinted, the public has demanded a sixth edition, which has been entirely redrawn, and many highly interesting additions have been made.

PHILADELPHIA, October, 1860.

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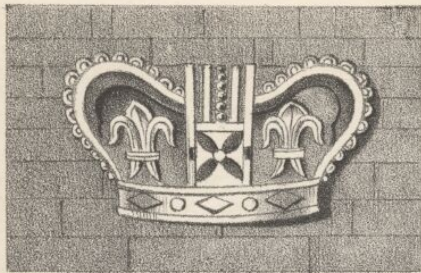
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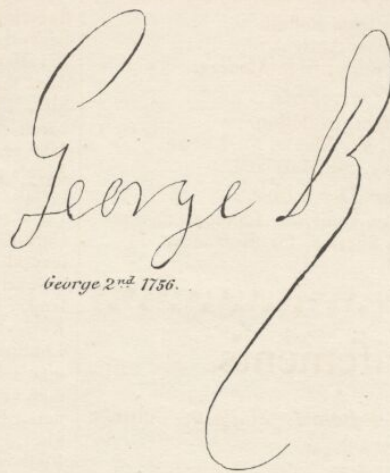
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George 2nd 1756.

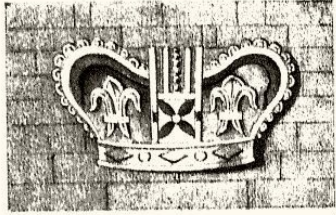


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*Seal on a Commission of a Colonel of Artillery
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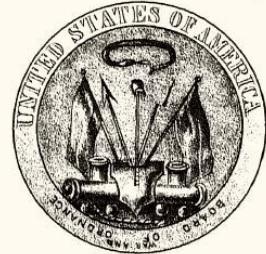
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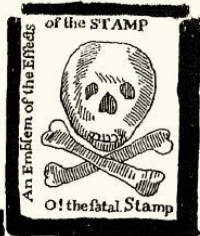


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A Battle Snake Coiled in the Union



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21st April 1780.

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Dreadful,
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Doleful
Dolosous, and
DOLLAR-LESS.



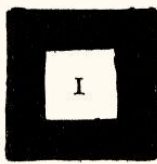
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THE

NUMB. 1195.

PENNSYLVANIA JOURNAL; AND WEEKLY ADVERTISER.

EXPIRING: In Hopes of a Resurrection to LIFE again.



I AM forry to be obliged to acquaint my Readers, that as The **STAMP-Act**, is fear'd to be obligatory upon us after the *First of November* ensuing, (the fatal To morrow) the Publisher of this Paper unable to

bear the Burthen, has thought it expedient to stop awhile, in order to deliberate, whether any Methods can be found to elude the Chains forged for us, and escape the insupportable Slavery, which it is hoped, from the last Representations now made against that Act, may be effected. Mean while, I must earnestly Request every Individual

of my Subscribers many of whom have been long behind Hand, that they would immediately Discharge their respective Arrears that I may be able, not only to support myself during the Interval, but be better prepared to proceed again with this Paper, whenever an opening for that Purpose appears, which I hope will be soon. **WILLIAM BRADFORD**

Enlarge

I desire that none of our Preachers
 should oppose John Johnson, but rather
 assist him with they can. I have no objection
 to his Preaching in any of our Societies

Da Chen
 May 6 1763

John Wesley

Give my love to
 My Father

yo^r Affec^d Father

J. Holyoke

J F C

Founder of the Society of Friends.

Henry Muhlenberg's

Christenmütz

Conrad Weiser

Mary-Land Febru^r 27 1779

S^r Secraant. /
 William Berkeley

I presume not to add a word as to our Med
 tery, or not to urge to you Remembrance
 of Maxima of Queen Elizabeth [Secun
 da Cogitationes Melioris] In h^o I pray
 You to remember y^t all Lands & all Nations
 are but a Drop of a Bucket in y^r
 Eyes of y^e King of Kings & Lord of
 Lords whom I humbly beseech to en
 dore y^e Heads with y^e heavenly Crown
 at y^e parting from y^e Beate Pacificis
 I so pray y^e most unworthy servant
 Regus Williams

John Adams with his consort and their Family
 desire prayers that the death of a grandchild may be
 Sanctified to them. They also request your Prayers
 for their Children and grand Children, in remote
 Countries abroad and distant parts at home th^t their
 Lives and health may be preserved from dangers by
 Sea and Land and in due time returned in Safety
 to their Country and their Friends.

June. the 10th
 1775

Your very affectionate friend
 and Servant J^r Gort

Pray commend me kindly to your wife
 Mr Cotton and the rest of my
 friends at home.

Enlarge



Gilbert Stuart 1805.

Boston Dec. 14. 1805 Recd. of Isaac O'Garra
One hundred Dollars in full for a Contract
of Washington to be painted by me -
Gilbert Stuart

* * I have been an Author myself.

Yours, &c. Wm. C. Abbott.

Yours ever truly
C. Parker.

Yours most obliged
Peter, Le Ducqueau
Copley -
Lord Lyndhurst Son of Copley
Portrait Painter

Dear Sir Your Obed^t & Humble
Serv^t Anne Grants
by commen^d condesh^t Sted
of Louisiana

John Bartram

Signature of Volney
to a letter to the Marquis de Noailles 1800.

J. A. McMorrell
Le Baron de Humboldt
Fisher Ames

J. G. Adams
Author of History of United States.

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Dear Sir

October the 5th 1809

The Letter I rec^d from you Respecting
 Squire Boones Certificate Was Long Coming
 to hand and my Not being able to go to
 Sgt Lewis I Dunn the Business before Col
 Keebly and sent it on by Lewis Bryan
 in closed in a Letter to your Self and one
 to Squire Boone Directing him to Deliver
 it to you him self these Letters could not
 reach you before you left home if that
 Will not Do pleas Write to me at Sgt
 Charles and I will make out another and
 send it to you before Court adjournes as
 I have the form you sent me I am well
 in health But Deep in Marshburg and not
 able to come Down I shall say Nothing
 about our petition but leave it all to your
 Self I am Dear as yours

Daniel Boone

Judge Cabren

James Wiley

Ante Anna

[Large flourish]
 Subst^d by amicus
 Lewis M. ...

[Large flourish]
 Thomas J
 1st Gen

Miscellaneous Autographs.

E Braddock

1755.

James Abercromby

1758.

John Stenard

1759.

LONDON

1757

Surd: Haldimand

1773.

Jofforbes

1758.

Van Alstier

1758.

Wherley

1755.

Robt Orme

1755.

J W Bradshul

1758. 1770.

John Armstrong

1761.

Philip Thore

1768.

Lei. At. a. Le an

1762.

Lach. M. Intosh

Tho: Gage

1765.

In your most Obedt

And^r W. Pickens

prosr^t W. Howe

1795.

26th June 1795

Ph: Schuyler

1774

Cornwallis

1781.

To

Peter Randolph

23^d June 1780.

His Excellency

Your Faithful,

and

Affectionate

General Washington

From Gen^l Burgoyne to Gen^l Washington. &c &c &c

Humble Servant,

Charles Lee

Horatio Gales

L. Campbell

J. Howard

James M. Smith
1. of d. J. J.

and Y. V. J. S.

Quebec 5th October 1778. He was leaving for Barbadoes & had not heard from his wife a long time.

Jean Poyry of an affectionate & unhappy
Bened. Arnold

Enlarge

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