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They were ill combined, and worse executed. He was maxime in minimis, and minime in maxime.

He would have made an excellent Secretary to a Minister of State, for he was indefatigable in reading and writing dispatches.

He would have made an admirable Messenger, for he delighted in galloping from town to town, and province to province.

At his death, indeed, he was great, displaying the approach of dissolution; this might be expected from the son of Maria Theresa, the most illustrious of whose daughter (the Queen of France) was no less his in the midst of personal danger.

A few hours before his death he said to one of his Ministers—"I thank the Great King who saves from the rocks in the grave my blood which I pay for me." For my part I regret not the loss of my Empire; I feel much more sensibly the loss of my amiable niece. Death appears not more dreadful to me in my present situation; than if I had lived in an humble sphere: My mind is presently more at rest with respect to greatness and dominion; and I trust I shall meet death with as little diftany, as the man to whom it would be a relief from poverty and wretchedness.

Extract of a letter from the Hague, March 21. "Wherefore I received advice from Bruffels that the propositions made by the new Sovereign of the House of Austria for an accommodation with the Netherlands, has experienced the same fate with the letters from Count COBENZEL—said proposals having been rejected by the Congress, to which it was referred by the States of Brabant."

P A R I S, (France) March 4. NATIONAL ASSEMBLY. SATURDAY, MARCH 6. A letter from Mr. NECKER on the state of the Finances was read to the Assembly. The contents were far from being agreeable.

In the first place, the Members had the mortification to find that the nation was in danger of losing a Minister in whom the general confidence was placed; for he informed the Assembly that his health was so greatly impaired, that he must soon withdraw himself from the fatigues of public affairs, and go to *Batavia*, &c. of some other place, to drink the waters. But that before he quitted his then exalted but painful situation, he wished to speak some comfort to the Assembly, by shewing that there was good ground for a hope that the finances of the country would again appear in a flourishing state.

Mr. Necker observed, that if things could go on quietly, and without any violent shock, until the beginning of 1791, the State would be out of danger.

PHILADELPHIA, April 21. This day were entered the remains of the illustrious and venerable BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, L. L. D. with every mark of tender and respectful sorrow, which an affectionate family, devoted to him—friends truly sensible of his worth, or an intelligent and grateful citizen could bestow.

The ships in the harbour, of all nations, hung their flags half mast high.

To the town of Boston, the place of his nativity, he has left a liberal and well-judged token of his remembrance; to the city of Philadelphia, his second place of birth, he has left the same. But time alone can unfold to his country, and his fellow-men, the numerous treasures of wisdom, which his patriotism and philanthropy have bequeathed them.

NORHAMPTON, May 5. On Friday evening last the Honourable Supreme Judicial Court finished their session in this town. During their sitting six persons were convicted of passing or otherwise being concerned in the business of counterfeiting Spanish milled dollars—One for forgery—One for endeavouring to carry off a free Negro—and one for adultery. They received their several sentences—some of which were corporal, except upon failure of complying with that part of their sentence imposing fines.

The spirit of liberty has reached the district of Algiers, where the inhabitants have refused to pay their ordinary tribute, the *Day* has been obliged to send a detachment of troops, commanded by an Aga, to compel them; but there is reason to believe their numbers being superior, will, by subduing, overpower them.

A Newborn N. C. paper, of March 11, informs, that the inhabitants of Cape-Fortice, have declared themselves independent from the King and National Assembly of France—raised an armed force under the name of "The Patriots of Cape-France"—established a House of Legislature, and appointed a Governor. The first operation of the administration has been to declare their port open to the vessels of every nation, and to permit the importation of all sorts of commodities.

Departed this life at Philadelphia, on the 17th ult. the venerable and celebrated Philosopher, and Patriot, His Excellency BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, L. L. D. in the 85th year of his age. On the 22d of April, in the House of Representatives of the United States, Mr. Madison rose and made the following motion.

MR. SPEAKER, Said he, that we have been informed not only thro' the channel of the newspapers, but by a more direct communication, of a success of an illustrious character.

ter wife native genius, I was rendered distinguished services to the cause of science and of mankind in general, and whose patriotic exertions have contributed in a high degree to the independence and prosperity of this country in particular—the oration seems to call upon us to pay some tribute to his memory expressive of the tender veneration his country feels for such distinguished merit—I therefore move the following resolution:

"The House bring informed of the death of BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, a citizen whose native genius was not more an ornament to human nature, than his various exertions of it have been precious to science, to freedom, and to his country: do resolve, as a mark of the veneration due to his memory: that the members wear the customary badge of mourning for one month."

On the question; this motion passed without a division.

DIED.—At Hartford, on the 26th ult. of a pleurisy, Lt. Col. NOADIAH LEONARD, of Sunderland, in the 53d year of his age. His remains were conveyed to his own house, and on the 29th were respectfully interred by a numerous collection of his friends and acquaintance, who were assembled upon the sorrowful occasion. A sermon was delivered by the Rev. Mr. Lyman, of Hatfield, from Mark xiii. 34, 35, 36, 37.

For the loss of a man in a man adding 50 years youth *For the loss of a man in a man adding 50 years youth* left his body and gave energy in his forehead, and his last earthly work, and commanded the Father to reach, *Watch ye therefore* for ye know not when the Master of the house cometh, at noon, or at midnight, or at the returning in the morning; left yawning in the morning he found sleeping, and asked I say unto you, I say unto all awake.

Col. Leonard was esteemed for his humanity and benevolence—for his strictness to order and regularity—for his fidelity and propriety with which he discharged the duties of a citizen, and the several public employments to which he was called. The town of Sunderland, and the publick have reason to regret the loss of his worth and affable character. He has left a sorrowful widow and seven children to bewail his death. God has separated from them a faithful friend and faithful guide. These afflicted mourners have many sympathetic tears mixed with theirs. They are affectionately commended to the grace of God—for support and comfort under this mysterious dispensation of his holy and righteous providence.

ALL persons that have any demands on the estate of JONA HAN HALE, late of Sunderland, deceased, are desired to bring in their accounts to me the subscriber—three months being allowed to bring in their claims—No accounts will be allowed after that date. Notice is hereby given to all persons that are indebted to said estate to send their accounts immediately.

ELIHU SCOTT, Admr. Barnardston, April 17, 1790. NOTICE is hereby given to the following non-resident proprietors of land in South-Hadley, county of Hampshire, that their lands are taxed in a Rate, town and minister tax, for the year 1788, and 1789, as follows, viz.

Name	Rate	Town Tax	M. Tax
Capt. Moses Marth	0 3 3	2 0	6 0
Mrs. Perry	0 3	0 30	1 0 0
Jonathan Cook		1 0	0 0
Edward Green		7 0	0 0
Warham Smith		1 0	2 0

Unless paid taxes are paid on or before Monday the 24th of May inst. so much of said land will then be sold at Public Vendue, at the House of Noah Goodman, Esq. in said South-Hadley, at two o'clock P. M. as will be sufficient to discharge the same, with intervening charges.

ELI KELLOGG, Collector. South-Hadley, May 3d, 1790.

Tickets. IN the Seventh Class of WILLIAMSTOWN FREE SCHOOL LOTTERY, which will commence drawing on the 24th inst. to be sold by JOHN STODDARD. Northampton, May 4, 1790.

Whereas CYNTHIA, the wife of me the Subscriber, has in violation of her marriage covenant, withdrawn herself from my bed and board, and unjustly and without cause refuses to live with me—and whereas by her unfaithful behaviour I have reason to fear she will endeavour to injure my interests, by contracting debts on my account—I hereby notify and warn all persons against harboring or giving her any credit for any matter whatever, on my account, as I will not pay any demands made against me on her account.

OLIVER FARMENTER. Barnardston, April 14, 1790.

GARDEN-SEEDS, TO BE SOLD BY TEMPERANCE GIBBS, NEAR CLARK'S FERRY Northampton, April 20, 1790.

FOR SALE, AN EXCELLENT SECOND-HAND WATCH, WHICH CAN BE WELL RECOMMENDED. ENQUIRE OF THE PRINTER.