

For You They Signed



"And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes, and our sacred Honor."

FLASH CARDS

Character Studies from the Lives of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence

Suggestions for Use

A flashcard is provided for each of the 56 signers of the Declaration of Independence. As you study each man, use the flashcard to become familiar with his face and the character quality he represents. You can even post the flashcard on the refrigerator if you wish or frame it while you are studying the life of this man. On the back side of each card is a Scripture verse to learn to help you internalize God's truth about this character trait. Use the flashcards to drill the information and review previously learned signers as well to help retain what you have learned and make it a part of your life.

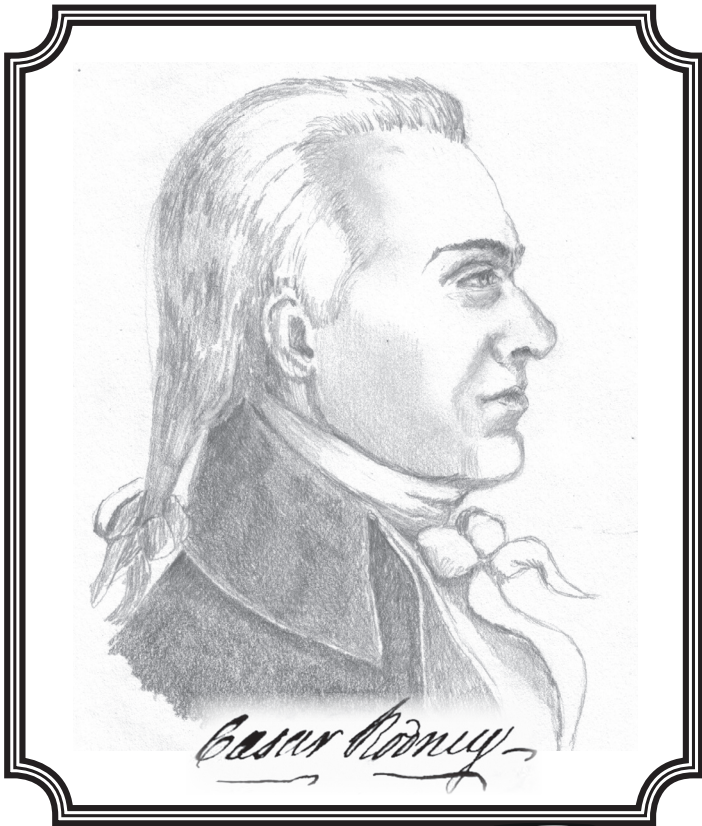
PRINTING INSTRUCTIONS

The flashcards should be printed double-sided. Printing on cardstock will make them more durable. You can also have them laminated if you wish. Most printers have an option for printing a double-sided document.

If you have any trouble doing so, here is a link to a great site that explains in detail how to print double-sided, with either a PC or a MAC:

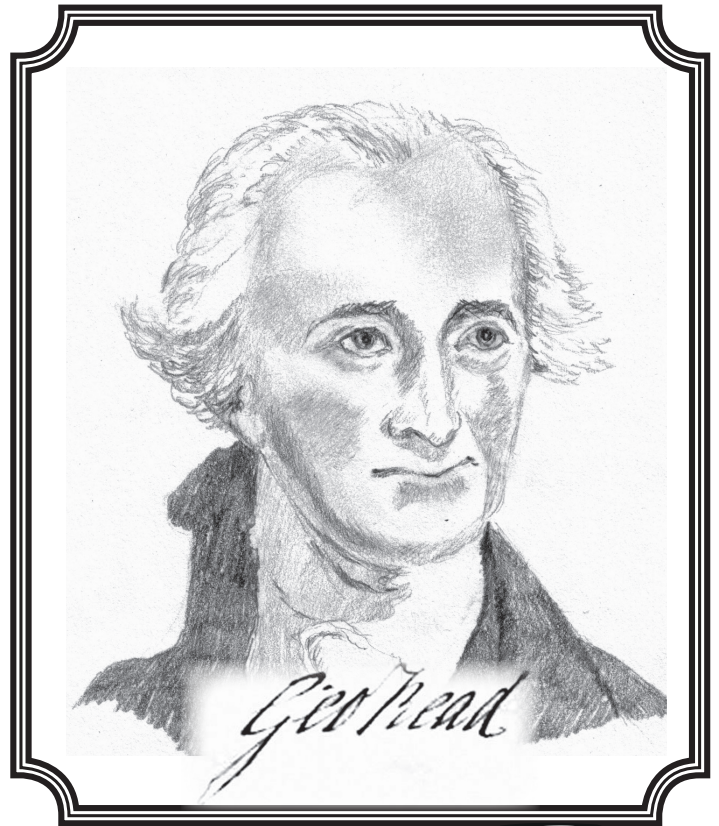
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Cutting each sheet in the center horizontally and vertically should give you four cards measuring 4.25 x 5.5 inches, with a 1/4 inch margin all around.



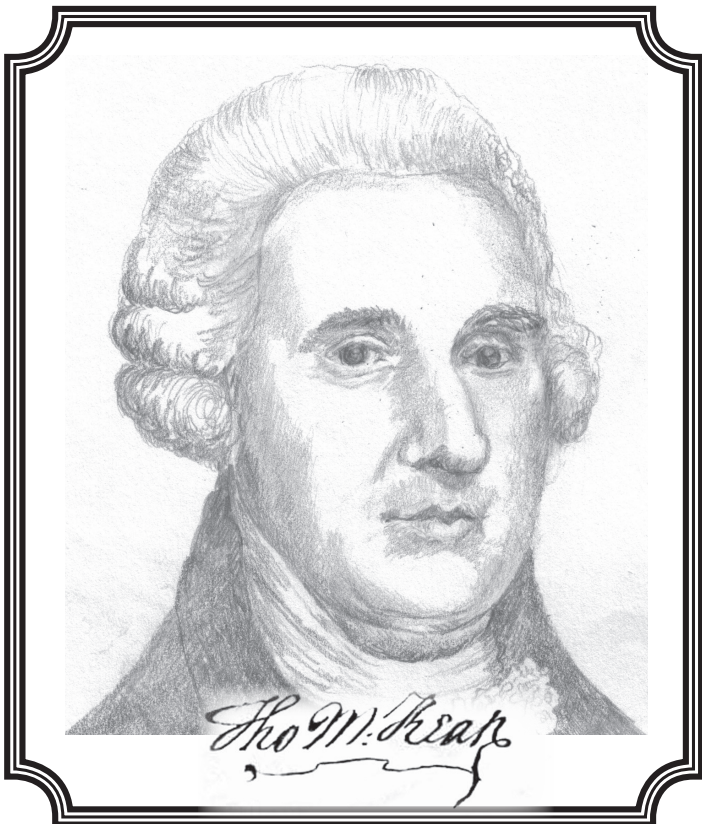
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Caesar Rodney
Delaware



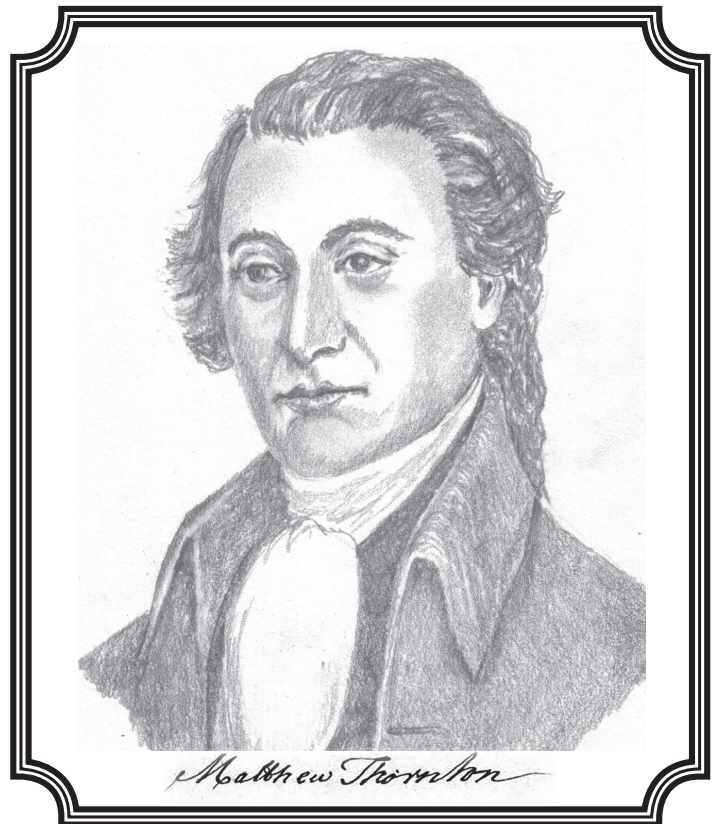
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George Read
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Tho M. Kean

Thomas McKean
Delaware



Matthew Thornton

Matthew Thornton
New Hampshire

George Read

An Honest Lawyer

And that ye study to be quiet,
and to do your own business,
and to work with your own
hands, as we commanded you;
That ye may walk honestly
toward them that are
without, and that ye may
have lack of nothing.

—*1 Thessalonians 4:11-12*

🌿 Delaware 🌿

Caesar Rodney

The Sacrificial Patriot

Greater love hath no
man than this, that a
man lay down his life
for his friends.

—*John 15:13*

🌿 Delaware 🌿

Matthew Thornton

Temperate Patriot

And every man that striveth
for the mastery is temperate
in all things. Now they do it
to obtain a corruptible crown;
but we an incorruptible.

—*1 Corinthians 9:25*

🌿 New Hampshire 🌿

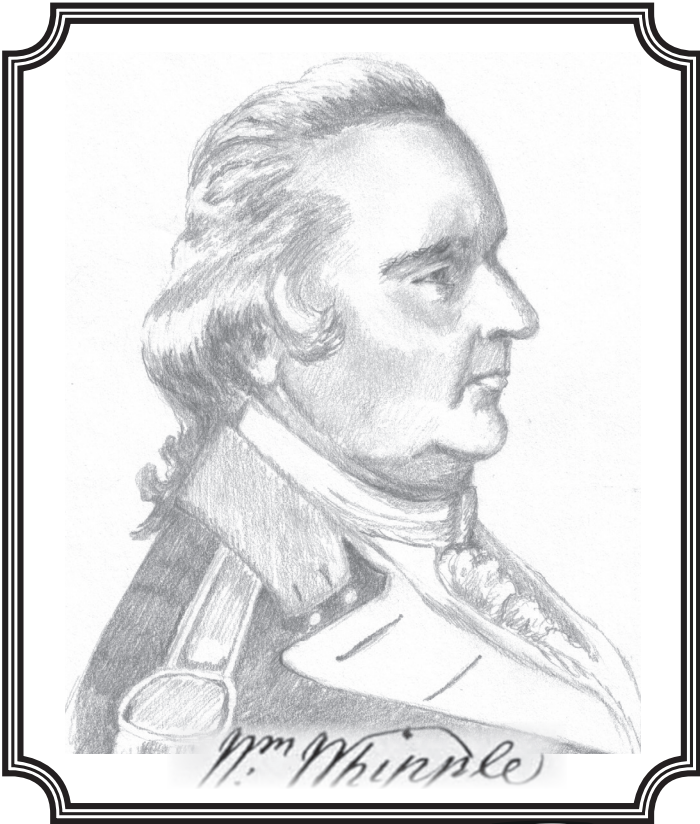
Thomas McKean

Patriot of Integrity

I exhort therefore, that, first
of all, supplications, prayers,
intercessions, and giving of thanks,
be made for all men; for kings, and
for all that are in authority; that we
may lead a quiet and peaceable life
in all godliness and honesty.
For this is good and acceptable
in the sight of God our Saviour.

—*1 Timothy 2:1-3*

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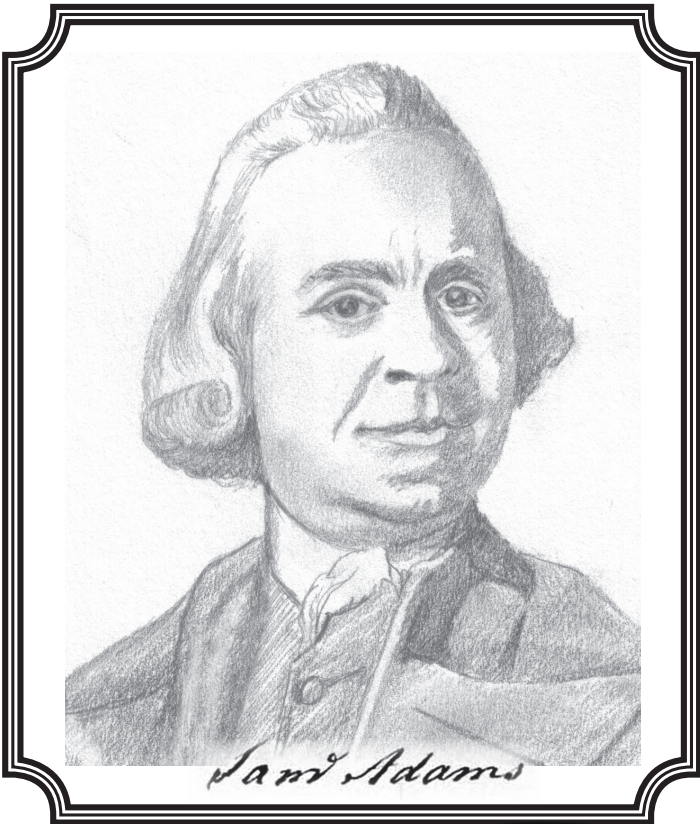
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New Hampshire



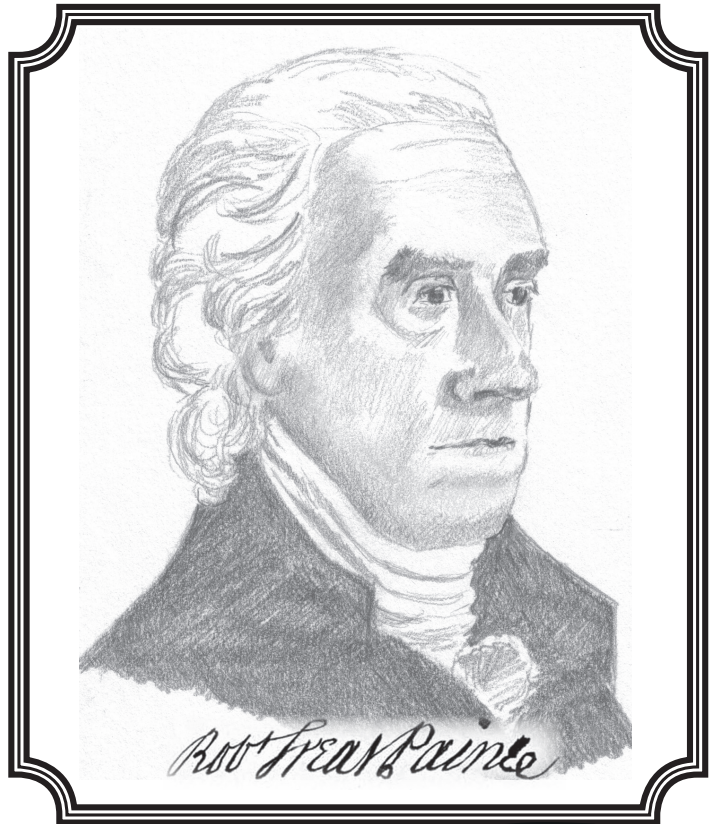
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Josiah Bartlett
New Hampshire



Sam Adams

Samuel Adams
Massachusetts



Robt Treat Paine

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Massachusetts

Josiah Bartlett

Enthusiastic Patriot

And whatsoever ye do,
do it heartily, as to the
Lord, and not unto men.

—*Colossians 3:23*

 New Hampshire 

William Whipple

Patriot of Great Faith

Now faith is the
substance of things
hoped for, the evidence
of things not seen.

—*Hebrews 11:1*

 New Hampshire 

Robert Treat Paine

Moral & Just Judge

The God of Israel said, the
Rock of Israel spake to me,
He that ruleth over men
must be just, ruling in the
fear of God.

—*II Samuel 23:3*

 Massachusetts 

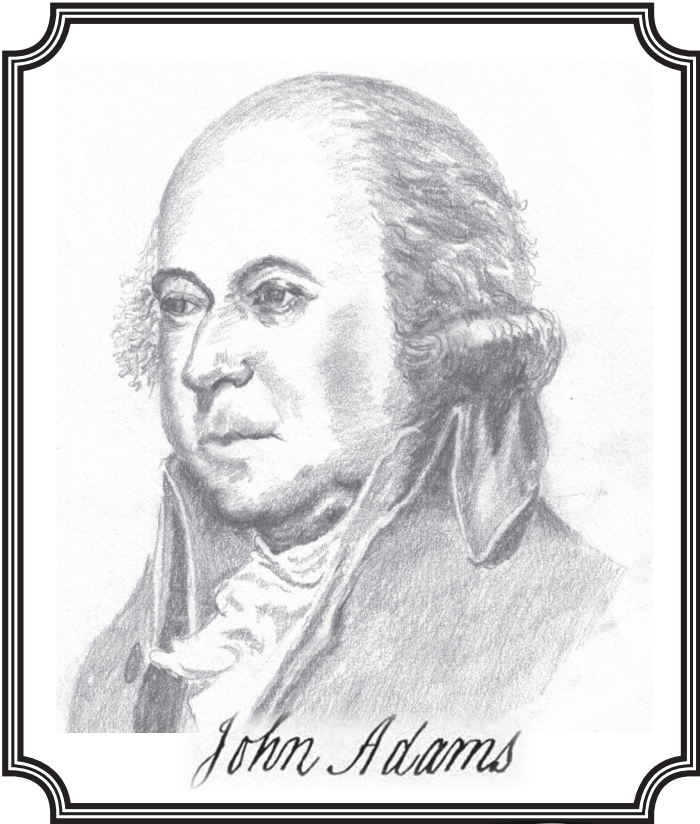
Samuel Adams

Passionate Patriot

But it is good to be
zealously affected
always in a good thing.

—*Galatians 4:18a*

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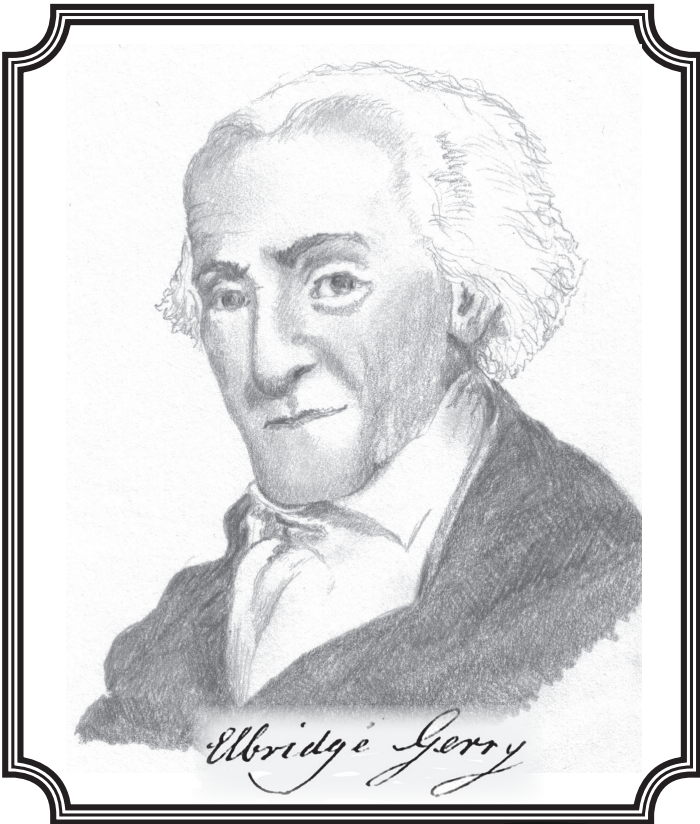
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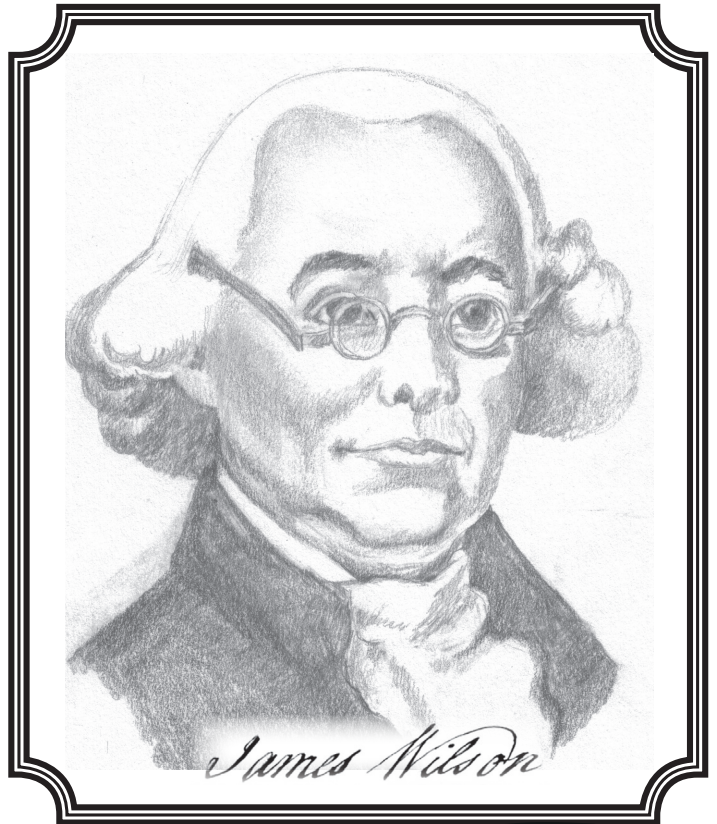
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 Massachusetts



Elbridge Gerry

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 Massachusetts



James Wilson

James Wilson
 Pennsylvania

John Hancock

Benevolent Patriot

But this I say, he which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully. Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work.

—II Corinthians 9:6-8

 Massachusetts 

John Adams

Diligent Patriot

The hand of the diligent shall bear rule: but the slothful shall be under tribute.

—Proverbs 12:24

 Massachusetts 

James Wilson

Precise Patriot

Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be yet wiser: teach a just man, and he will increase in learning.

—Proverbs 9:9

 Pennsylvania 

Elbridge Gerry

Dutiful Patriot

Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets.

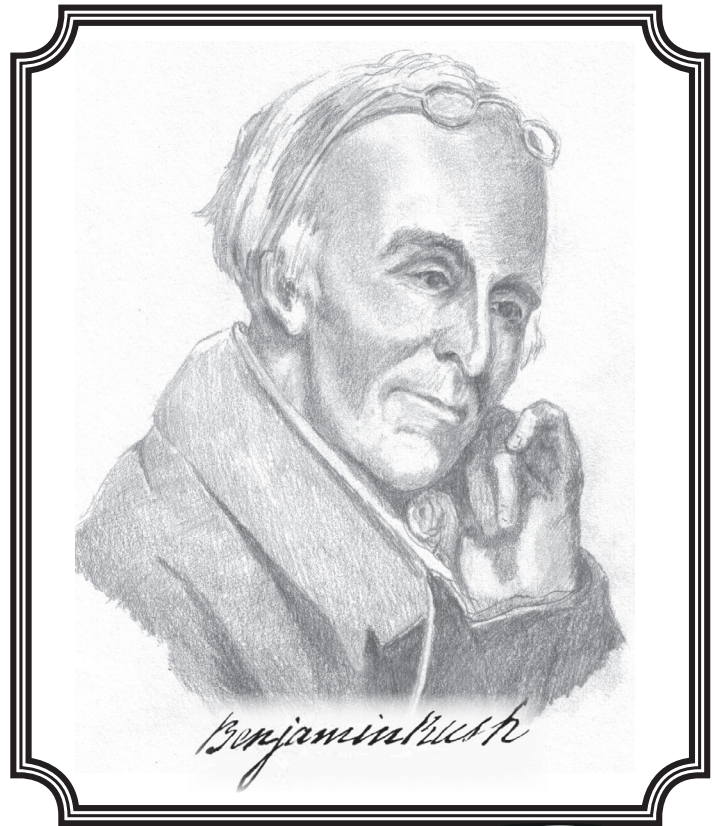
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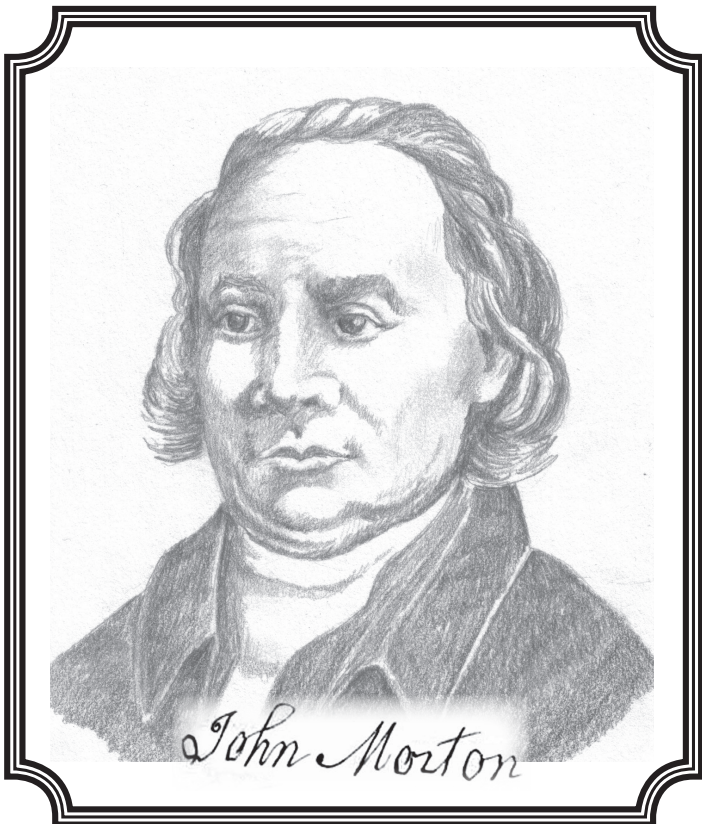
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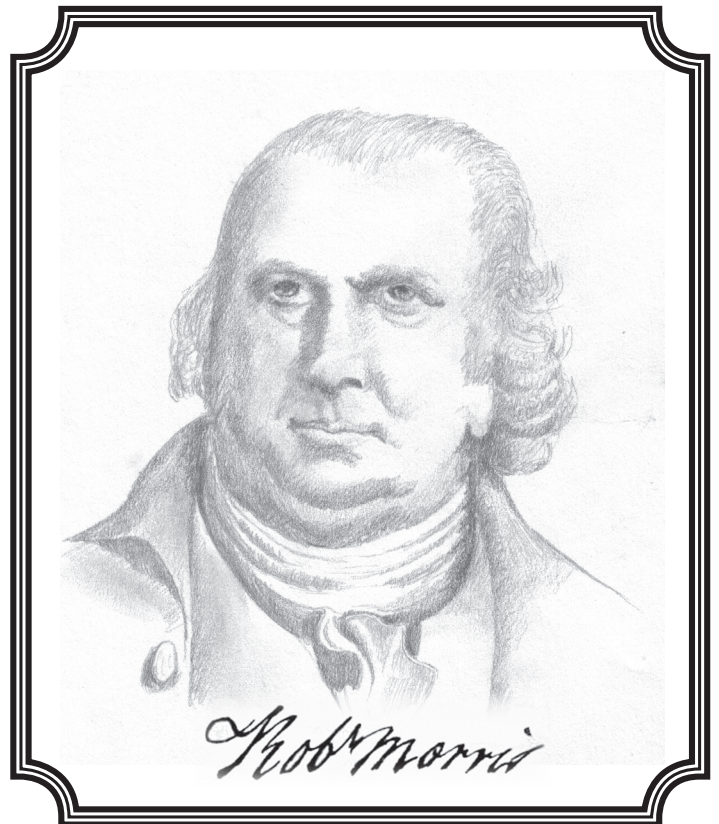
Benjamin Rush

Benjamin Rush
Pennsylvania



John Morton

John Morton
Pennsylvania



Rob Morris

Robert Morris
Pennsylvania

Benjamin Rush

Confident & Dedicated Patriot

Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ.

—*Philippians 1:6*

 Pennsylvania 

George Ross

Dutiful Patriot

For for this cause pay ye tribute also: for they are God's ministers, attending continually upon this very thing.

Render therefore to all their dues: tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honour to whom honour.

—*Romans 13:6-7*

 Pennsylvania 

Robert Morris

Benevolent Patriot

Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom.

For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again.

—*Luke 6:38*

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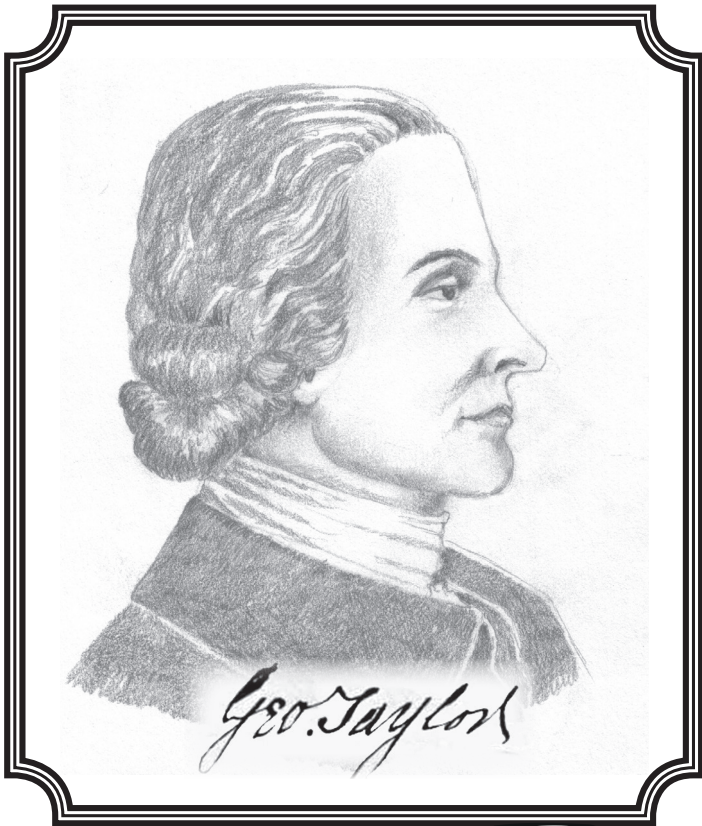
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Responsible Patriot

He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much: and he that is unjust in the least is unjust also in much.

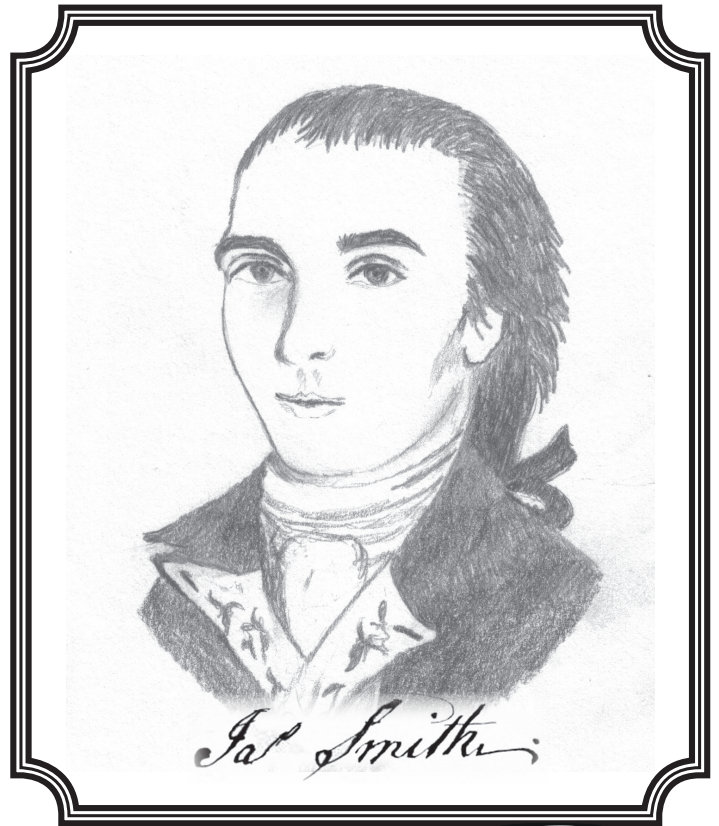
—*Luke 6:38*

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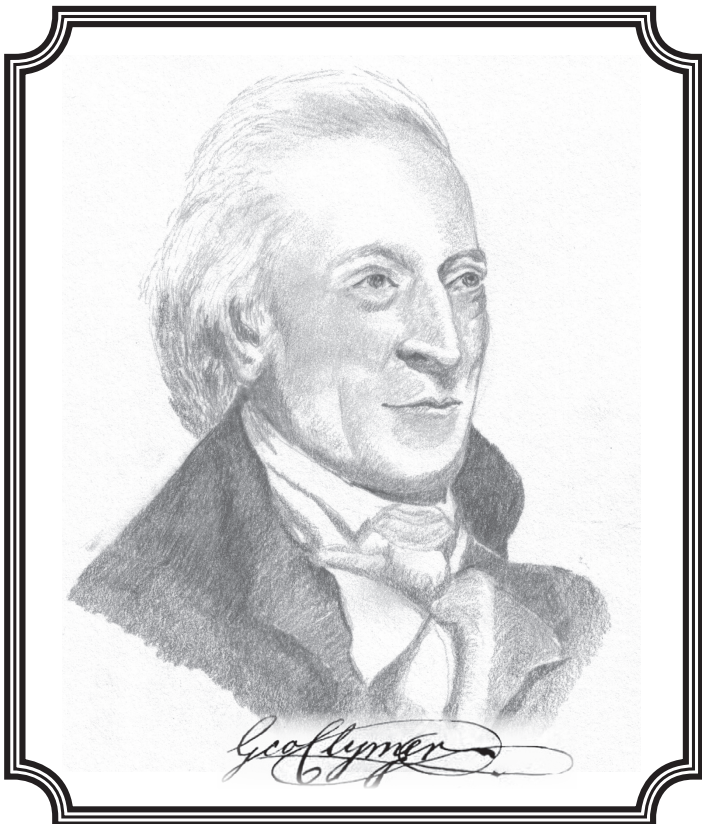
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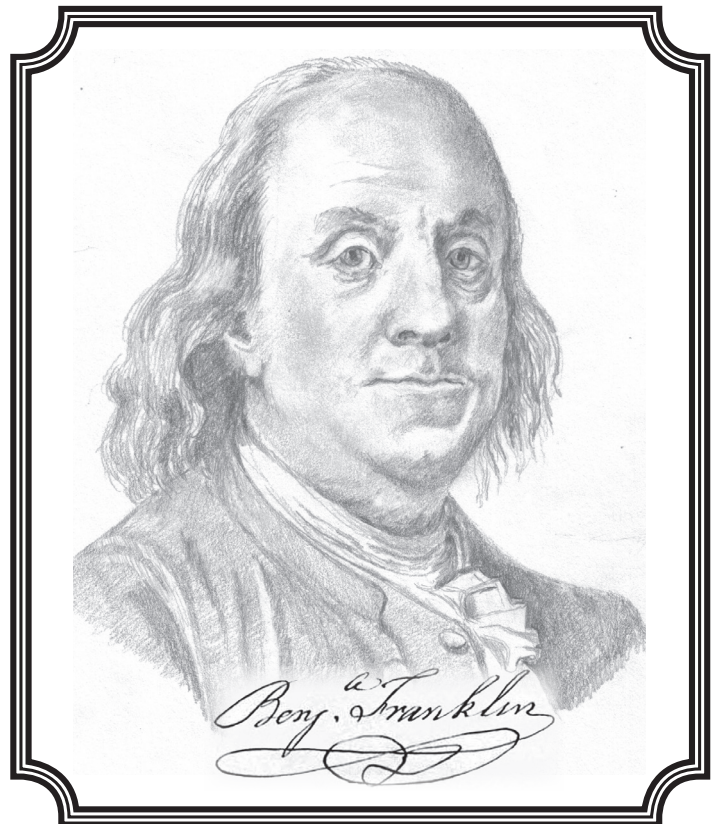
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Pennsylvania



George Clymer

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Pennsylvania



Benjamin Franklin

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Pennsylvania

James Smith

Cheerful Patriot

A merry heart maketh a
cheerful countenance:
but by sorrow of the heart
the spirit is broken.

—*Proverbs 15:13*

 Pennsylvania 

George Taylor

Industrious Patriot

The soul of the sluggard
desireth, and hath nothing:
but the soul of the diligent
shall be made fat.

—*Proverbs 13:4*

 Pennsylvania 

Benjamin Franklin

Productive Patriot

He becometh poor that
dealeth with a slack
hand: but the hand of
the diligent maketh rich.

—*Proverbs 10:14*

 Pennsylvania 

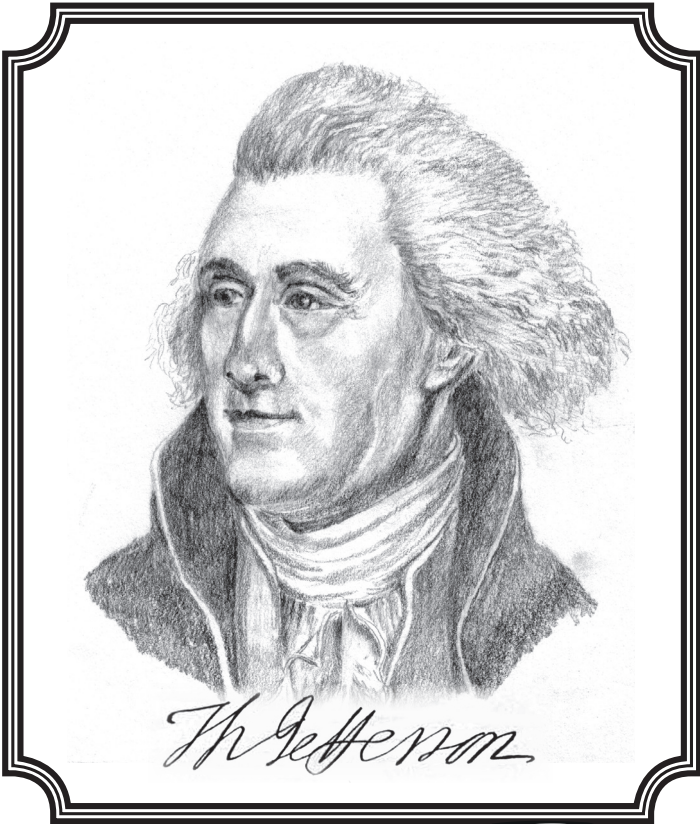
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Honorable Patriot

A man's pride shall
bring him low: but
honour shall uphold
the humble in spirit.

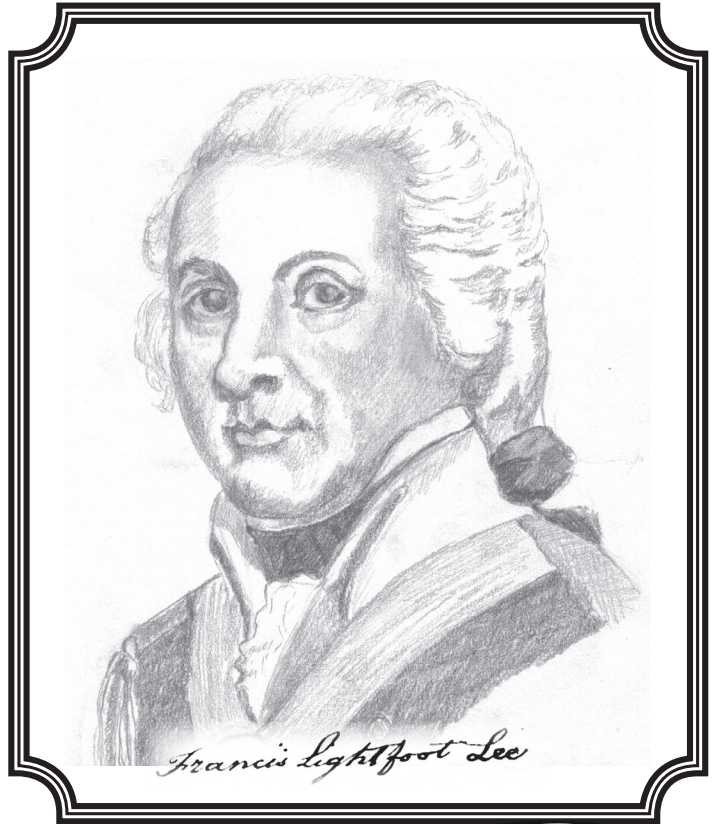
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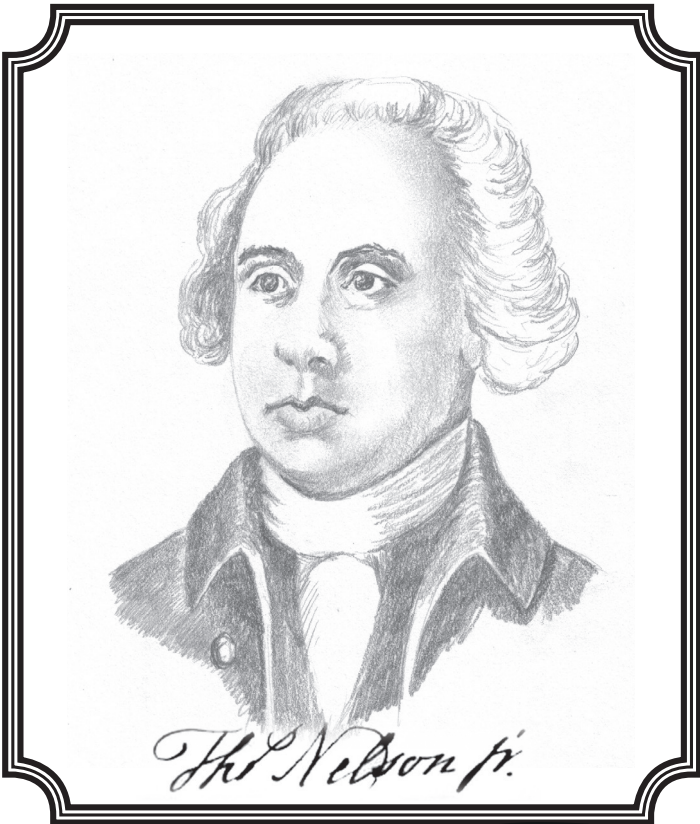
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of Virginia



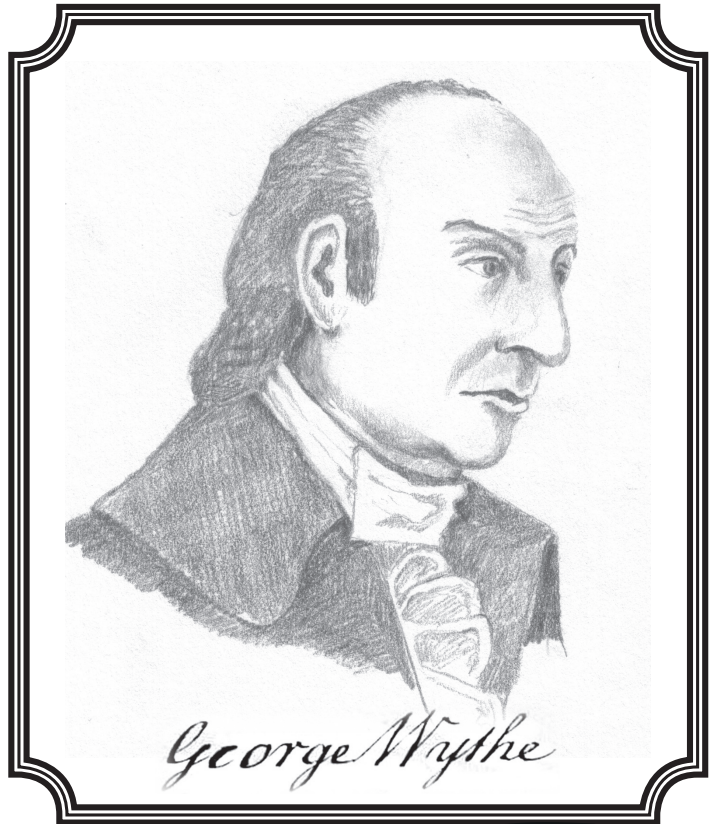
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of Virginia



Th Nelson Jr.

Thomas Nelson, Jr.
of Virginia



George Wythe

George Wythe
of Virginia

Francis Lightfoot Lee

Friendly Patriot

A man that hath friends
must shew himself friendly:
and there is a friend
that sticketh closer
than a brother.

—*Proverbs 18:24*

 Virginia 

Thomas Jefferson

Loyal Patriot

And Moses verily was faithful in
all his house, as a servant, for a
testimony of those things which
were to be spoken after;
But Christ as a son over his own
house; whose house are we, if we
hold fast the confidence and the
rejoicing of the hope firm
unto the end.

—*Hebrews 3:5-6*

 Virginia 

George Wythe

Truthful Patriot

Let not mercy and truth
forsake thee: bind them
about thy neck;
write them upon
the table of thine heart.

—*Proverbs 3:3*

 Virginia 

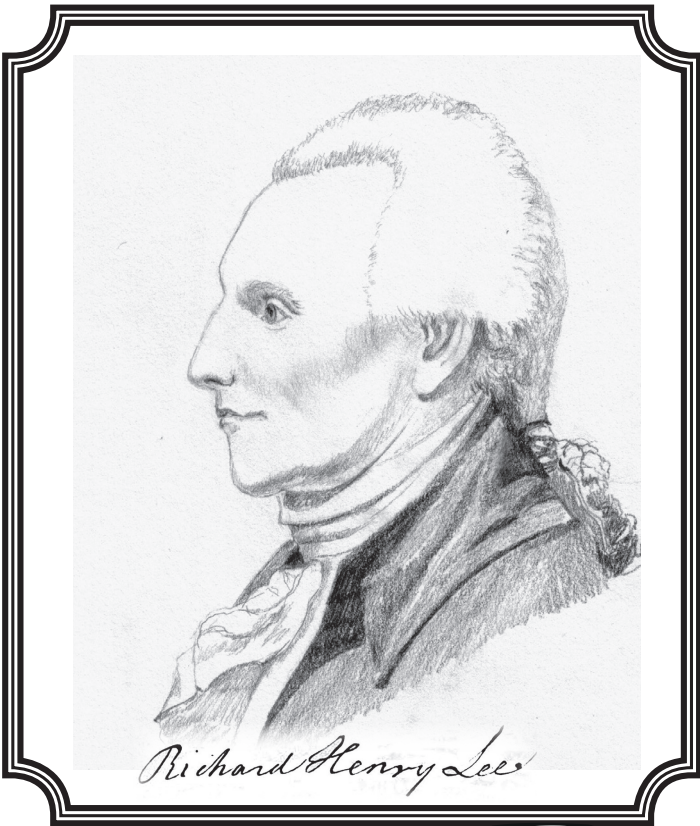
Thomas Nelson, Jr.

Sacrificial Patriot

But seek ye first the
kingdom of God,
and his righteousness;
and all these things
shall be added unto you.

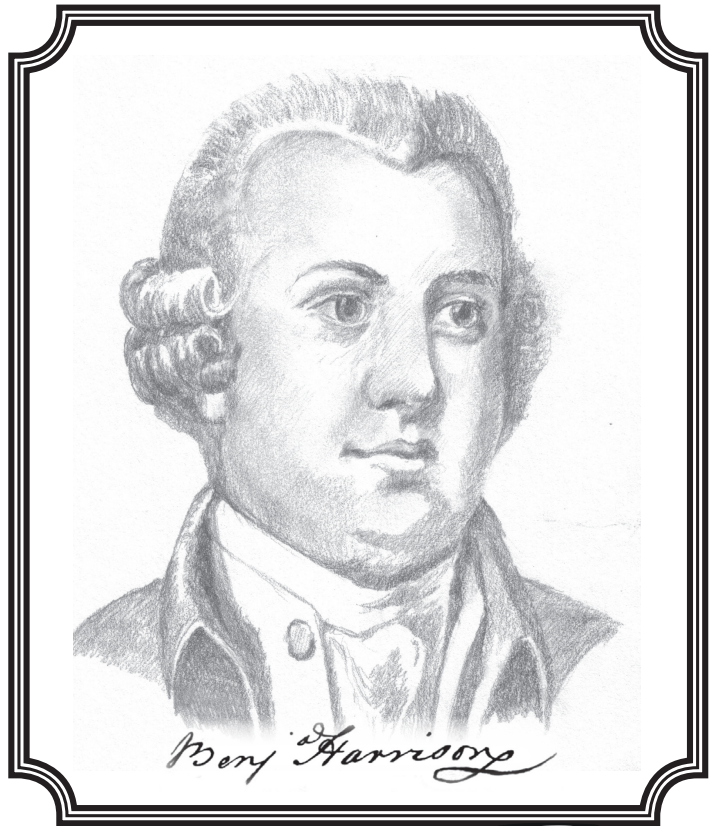
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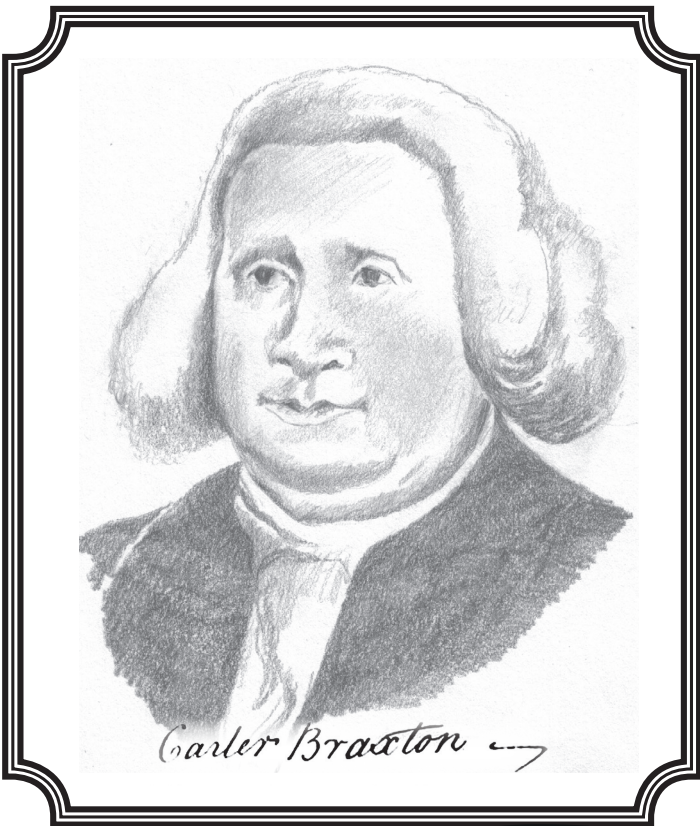
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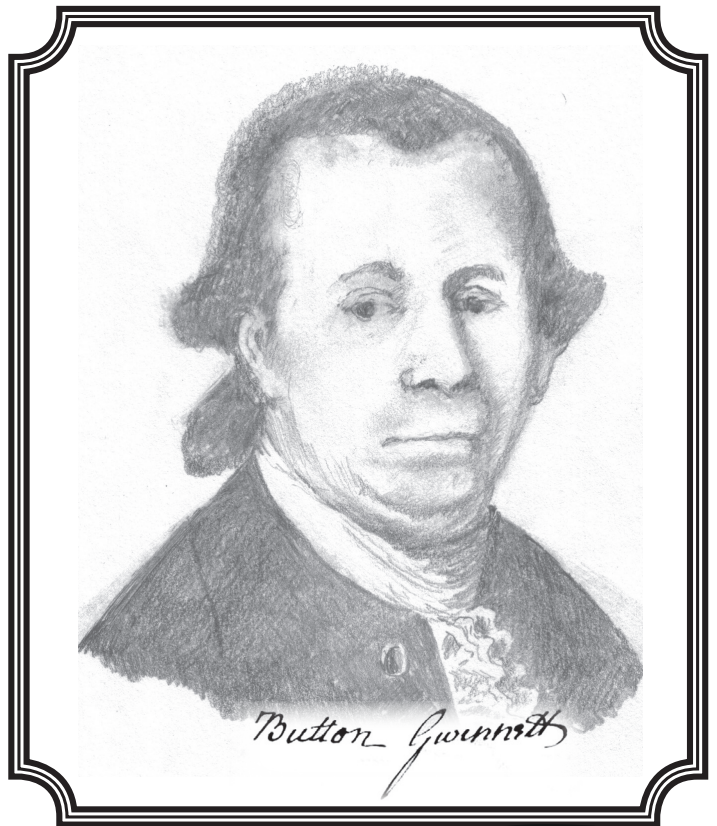
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Virginia



Carter Braxton

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Virginia



Button Gwinnett

Button Gwinnett
Georgia

Benjamin Harrison

Joyful Patriot

A man hath joy by the
answer of his mouth:
and a word spoken
in due season,
how good is it!
—*Proverbs 15:23*

 Virginia 

Richard Henry Lee

Persuasive Patriot

A man hath joy by the
answer of his mouth:
and a word spoken
in due season,
how good is it!
—*Proverbs 15:23*

 Virginia 

Button Gwinnett

Intemperate Patriot

And they that are Christ's
have crucified the flesh with
the affections and lusts.
If we live in the Spirit, let us
also walk in the Spirit.
—*Galatians 5:24-25*

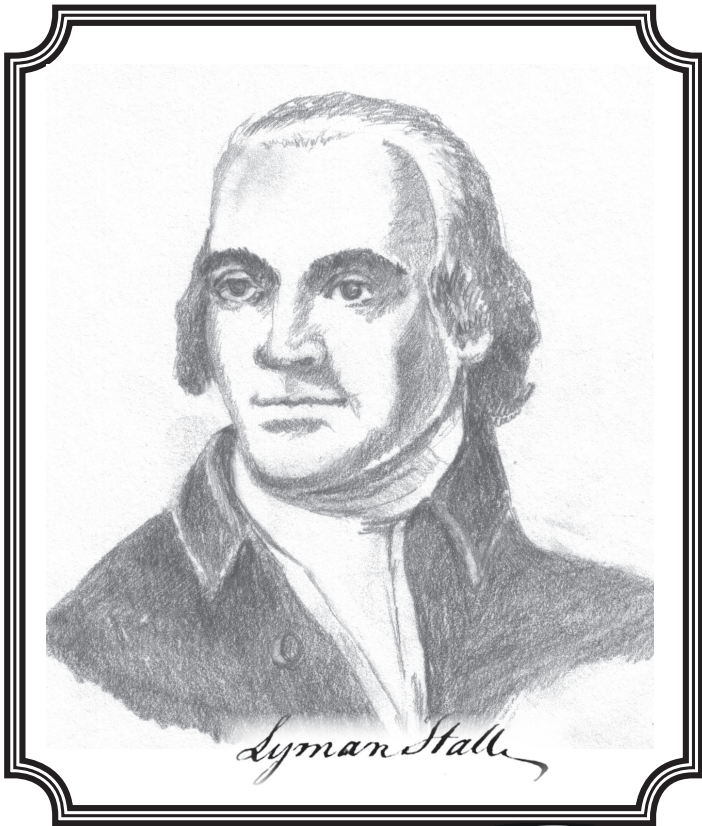
 Georgia 

Carter Braxton

Hospitable Patriot

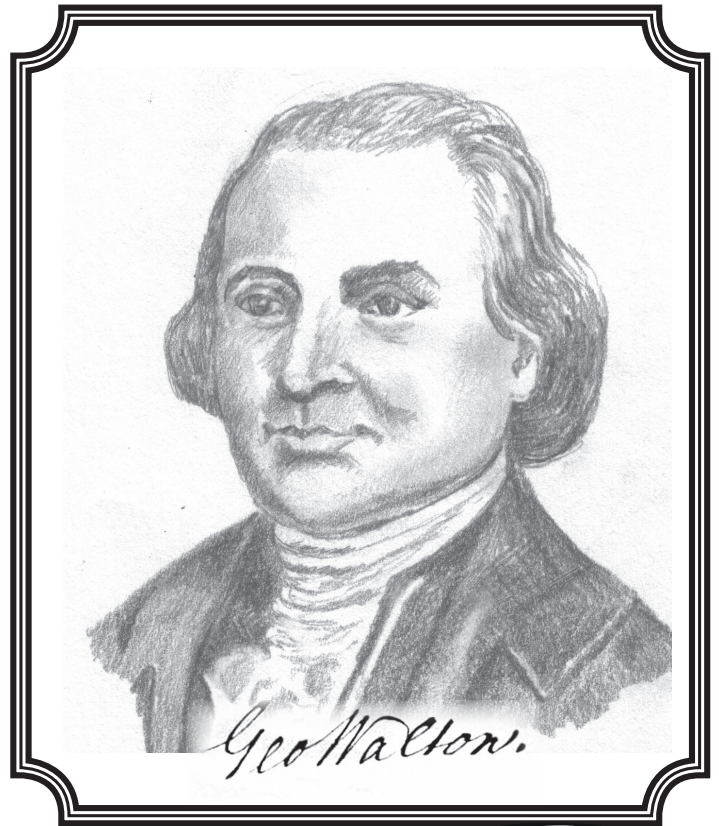
Use hospitality one to another
without grudging.
As every man hath received
the gift, even so minister
the same one to another, as
good stewards of the manifold
grace of God.
—*1 Peter 4:9-10*

 Virginia 



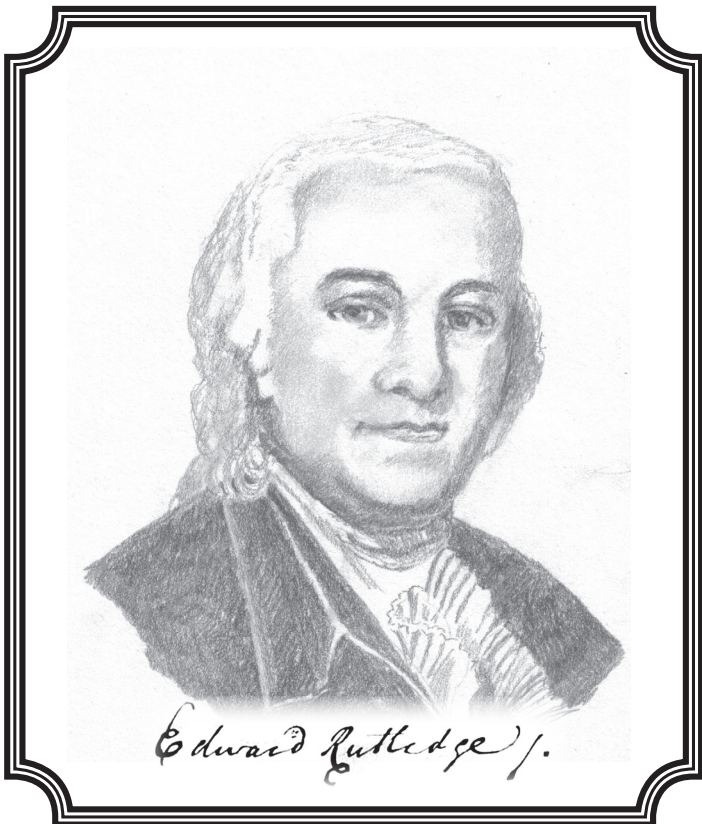
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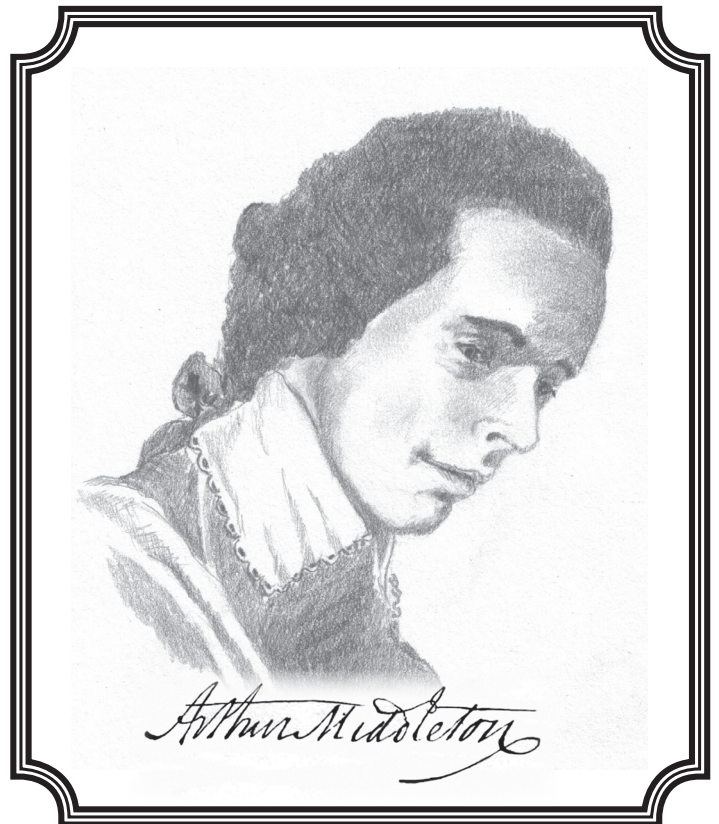
Geo Walton.

George Walton
Georgia



Edward Rutledge

Edward Rutledge
South Carolina



Arthur Middleton

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South Carolina

George Walton

Determined Learner

And whatsoever ye do,
do it heartily, as to the
Lord, and not unto men.

—*Colossians 3:23*

 Georgia 

Lyman Hall

Enthusiastic Patriot

And having this confidence,
I know that I shall abide and
continue with you all for your
furtherance and joy of faith;
that your rejoicing may be more
abundant in Jesus Christ for me
by my coming to you again.

—*Philippians 1:25-26*

 Georgia 

Arthur Middleton

Enduring Patriot

Thou therefore
endure hardness,
as a good soldier
of Jesus Christ.

—*II Timothy 2:3*

 South Carolina 

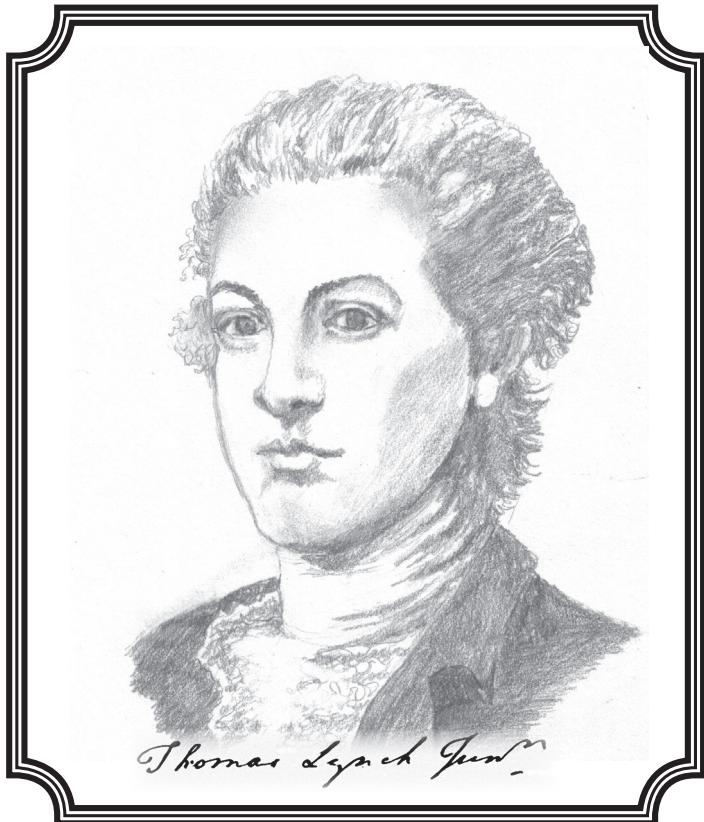
Edward Rutledge

Cautious Patriot

Also, that the soul be
without knowledge,
it is not good;
and he that hasteth
with his feet sinneth.

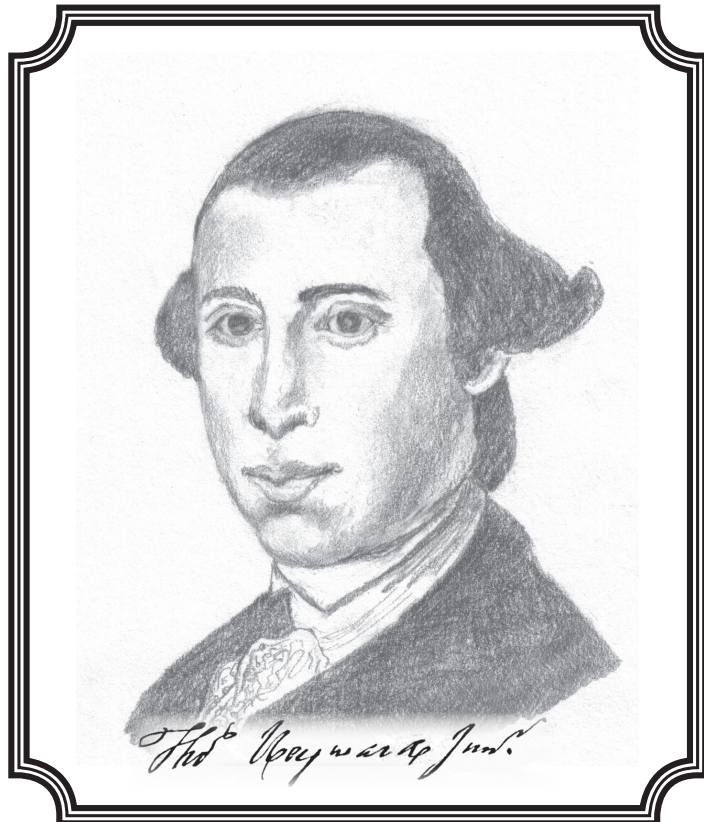
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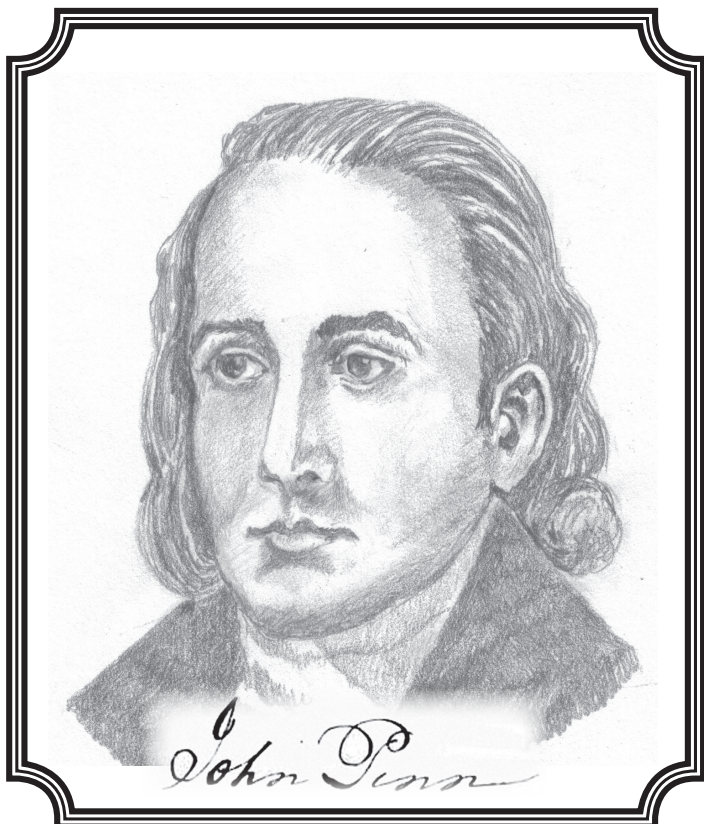
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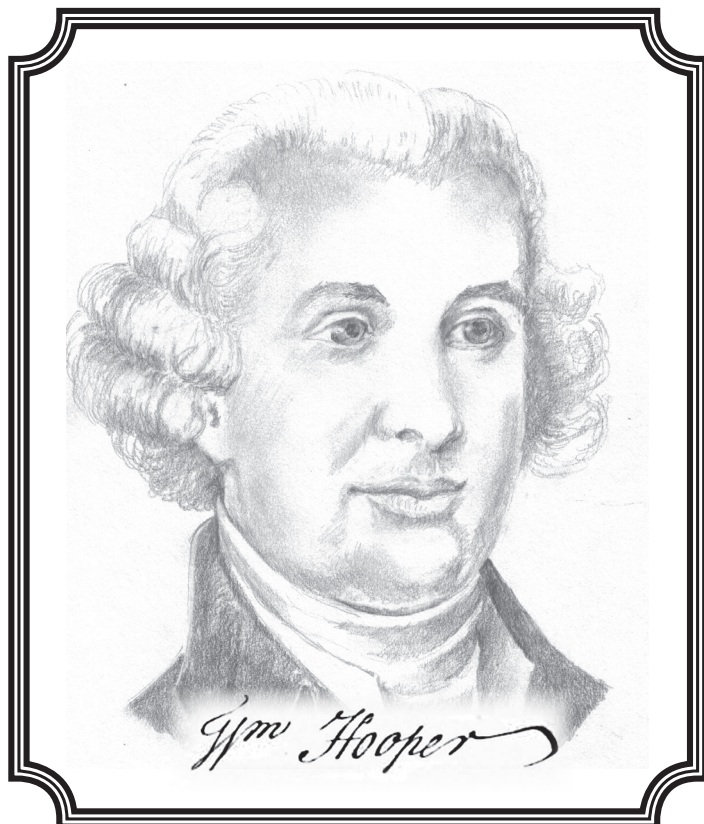
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South Carolina



John Penn

John Penn
North Carolina



Wm Hooper

William Hooper
North Carolina

Thomas Heyward, Jr.

Patriotic Statesman

Of these things put them in remembrance, charging them before the Lord that they strive not about words to no profit, but to the subverting of the hearers.

—II Timothy 2:14

 South Carolina 

Thomas Lynch, Jr.

Meek Patriot

The meek will he guide in judgment:
and the meek will he teach his way.

—Psalm 25:9

 South Carolina 

William Hooper

Firm Patriot

And Moses verily was faithful in all his house, as a servant, for a testimony of those things which were to be spoken after;
But Christ as a son over his own house; whose house are we, if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end.

—Hebrews 3:5-6

 North Carolina 

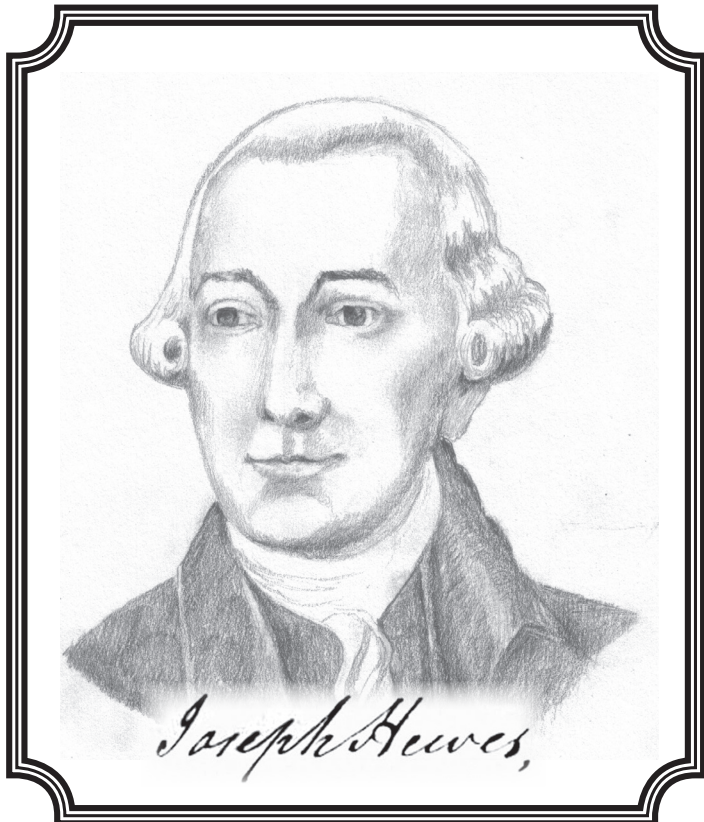
John Penn

Peacemaker

But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.

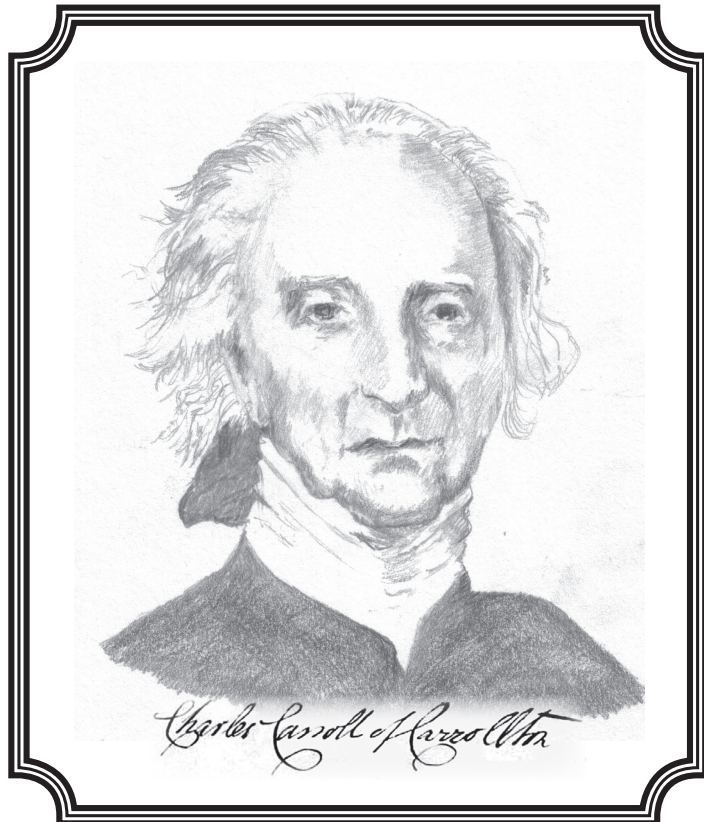
—James 3:17

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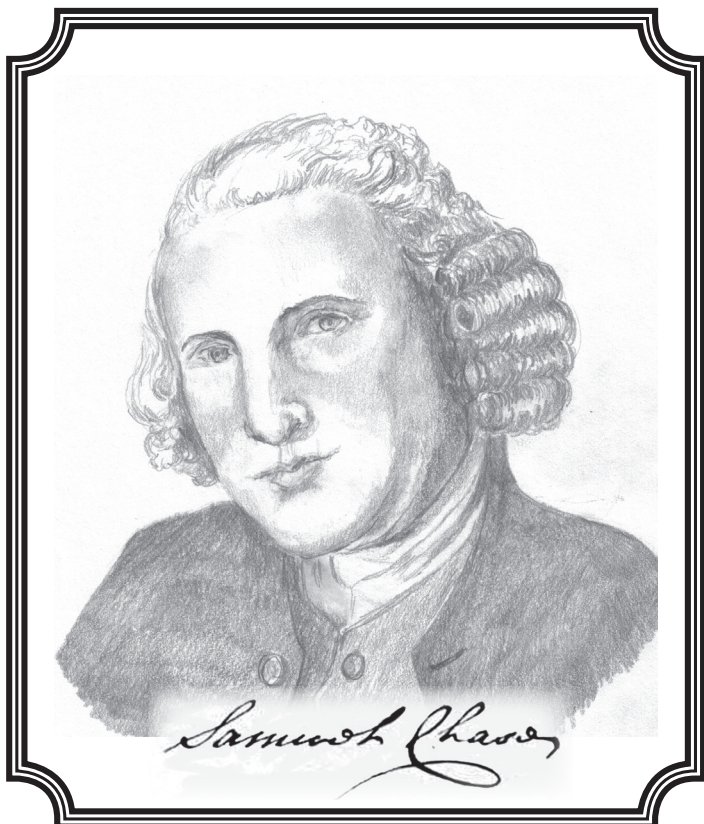
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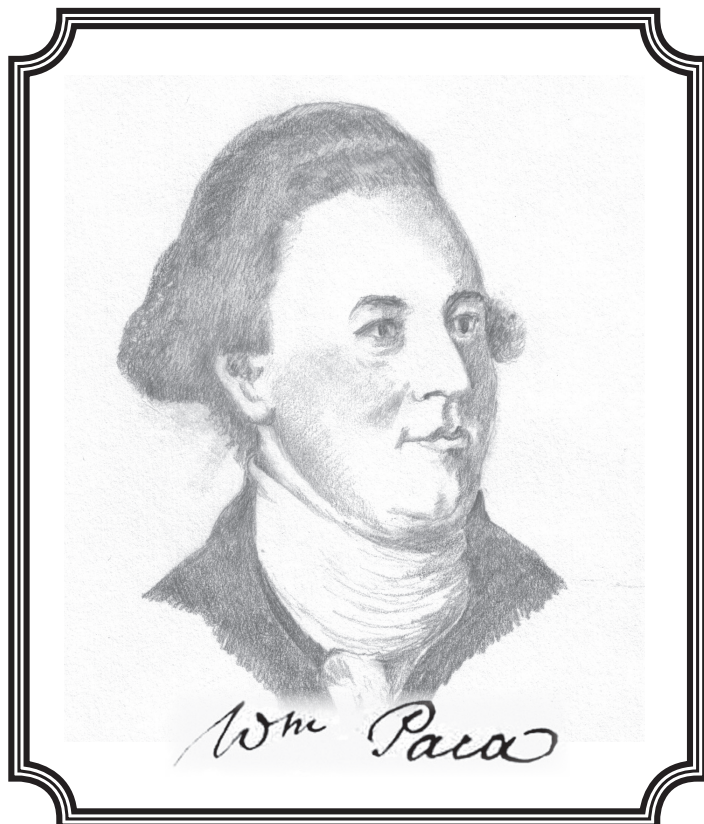
Charles Carroll of Carrollton

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Maryland



Samuel Chase

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Maryland



Wm Paca

William Paca
Maryland

Charles Carroll

Courageous Patriot

Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the LORD thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.

—*Joshua 1:9*

 Maryland 

Joseph Hewes

Ardent Patriot

Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

—*Titus 2:14*

 North Carolina 

William Paca

Zealous for Religious Freedom

But it is good to be zealously affected always in a good thing, and not only when I am present with you.

—*Galatians 4:18*

 Maryland 

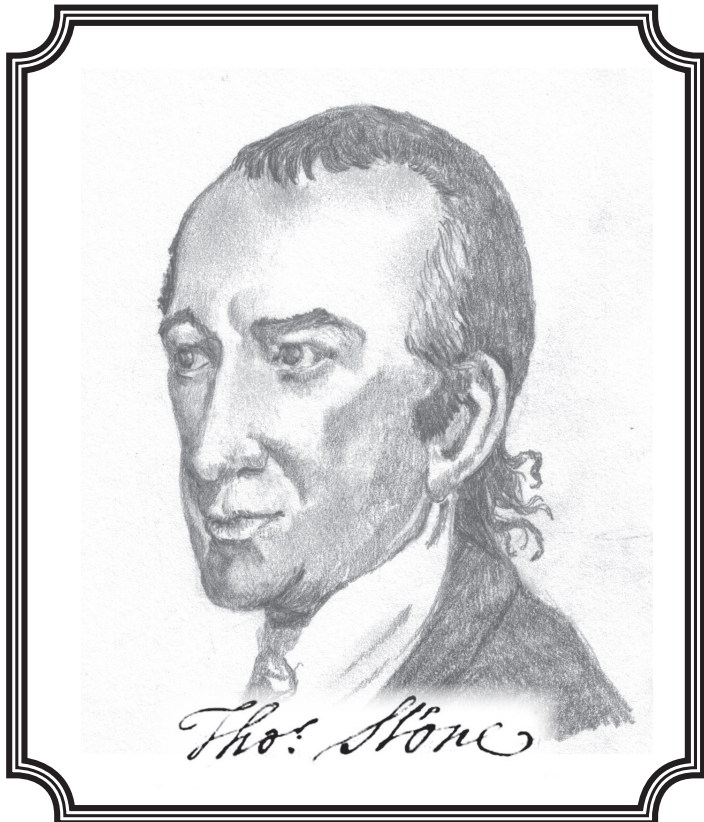
Samuel Chase

Bold Patriot

According to my earnest expectation and my hope, that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but that with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ shall be magnified in my body, whether it be by life, or by death.

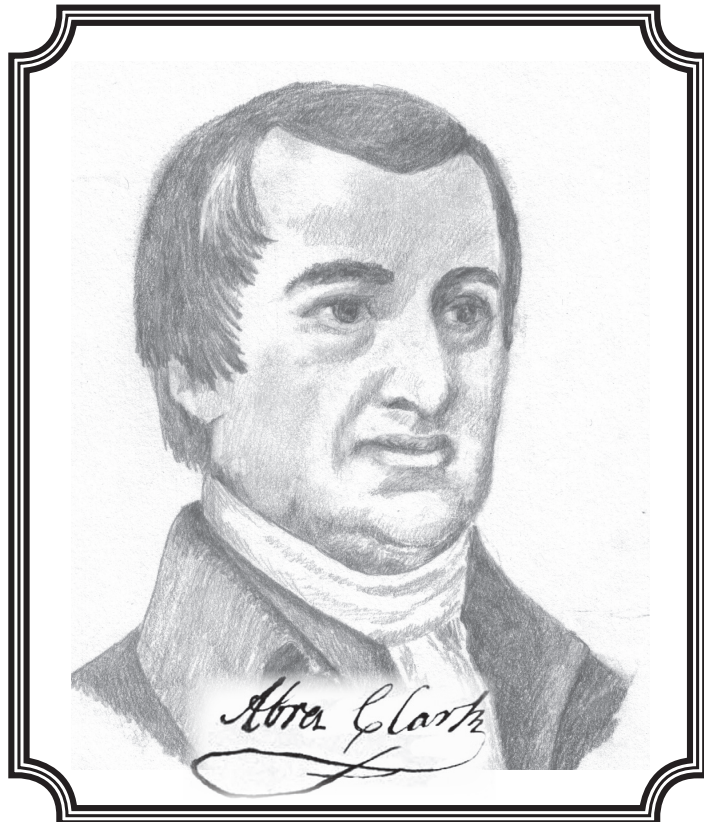
—*Philippians 1:20*

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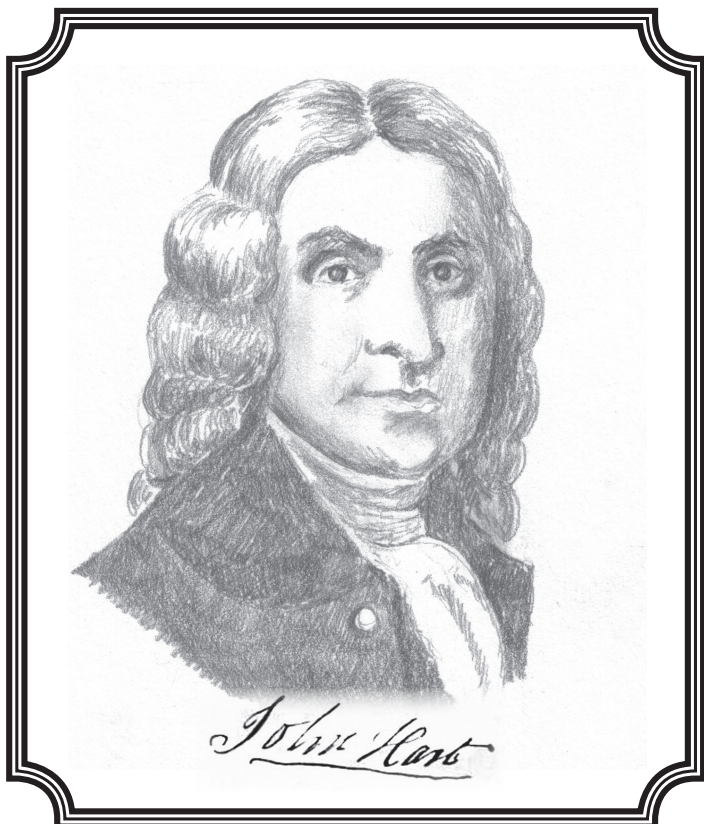
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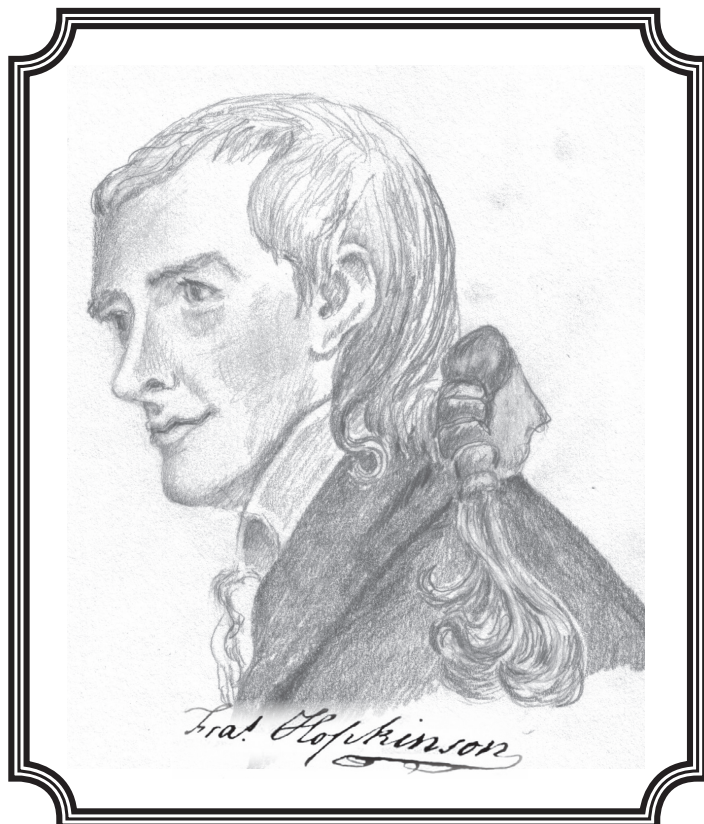
Abra Clark

Abraham Clark
of New Jersey



John Hart

John Hart
of New Jersey



Fr: Hopkinson

Francis Hopkinson
of New Jersey

Abraham Clark

Enduring Patriot

Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God. For consider him that endured such contradiction of sinners against himself, lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds.

—*Hebrews 12:1-3*

 New Jersey 

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Thomas Stone

Patriot of Initiative

And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.

—*Colossians 3:17*

 Maryland 

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Francis Hopkinson

Kind Patriot

Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another.

—*Romans 12:10*

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John Hart

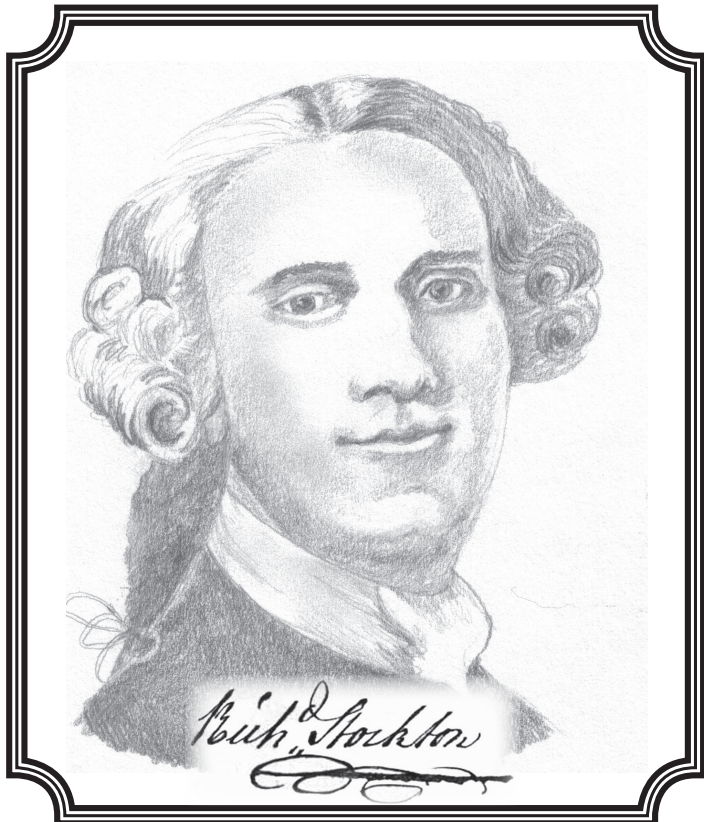
Honest Patriot

And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you; That ye may walk honestly toward them that are without, and that ye may have lack of nothing.

—*I Thessalonians 4:11-12*

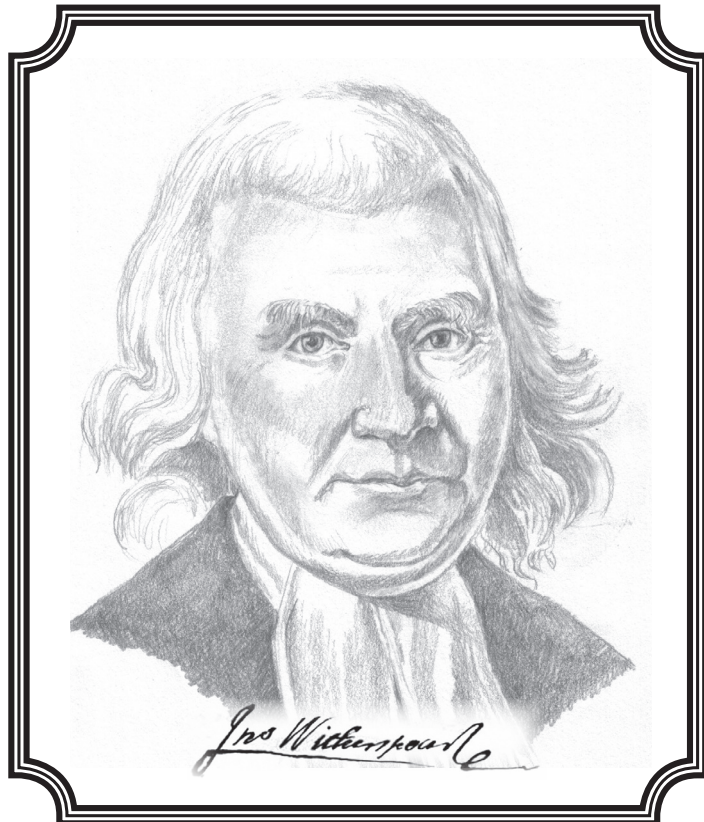
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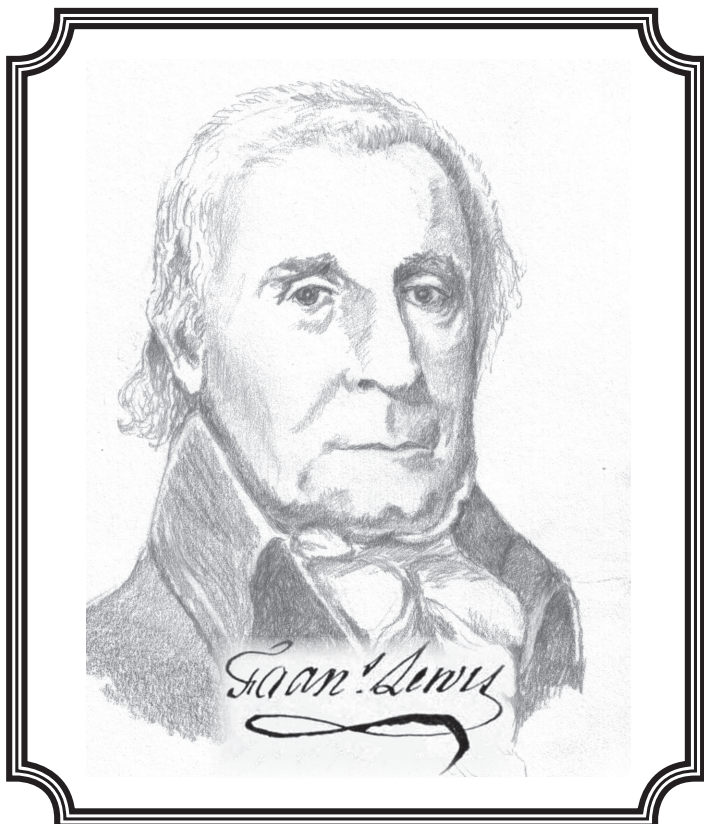
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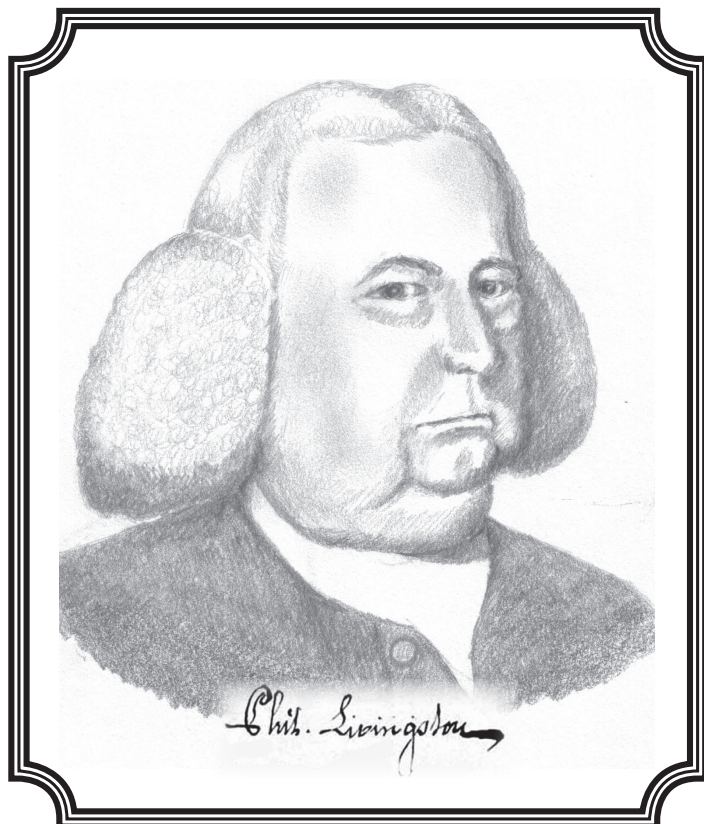
John Witherspoon

John Witherspoon
 of New Jersey



Francis Lewis

Francis Lewis
 of New York



Phillip Livingston

Phillip Livingston
 of New York

John Witherspoon

Reverent Patriot

Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear: For our God is a consuming fire.

—*Hebrews 12:28-29*

 New Jersey 

Richard Stockton

Devoted Patriot

Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls to him in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator.

—*1 Peter 4:19*

 New Jersey 

Phillip Livingston

Available Patriot

Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?

Then said I, Here am I; send me.

—*Isaiah 6:8*

 New York 

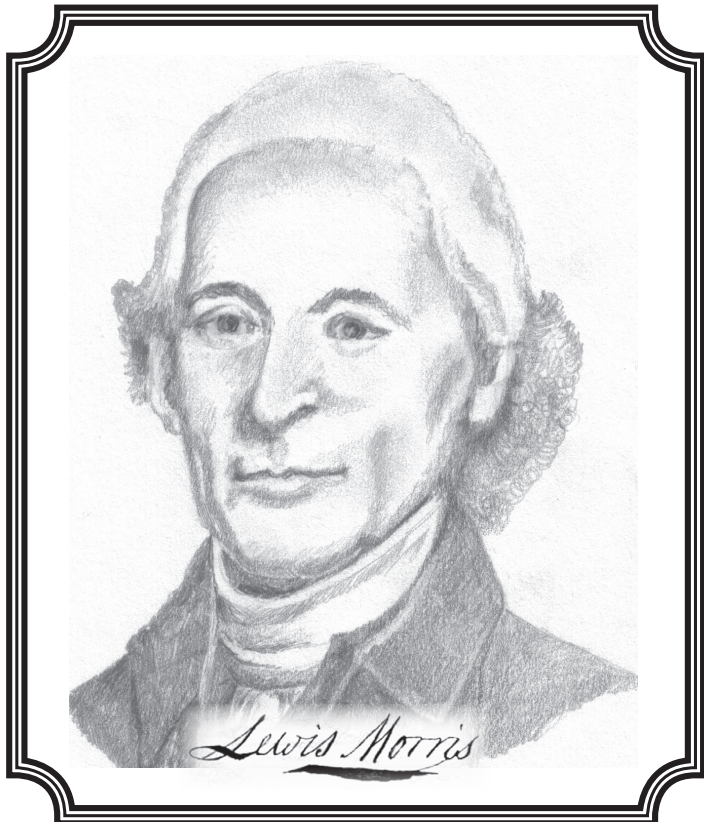
Francis Lewis

Steadfast Patriot

Fear not, nor be dismayed, be strong and of good courage: for thus shall the LORD do to all your enemies against whom ye fight.

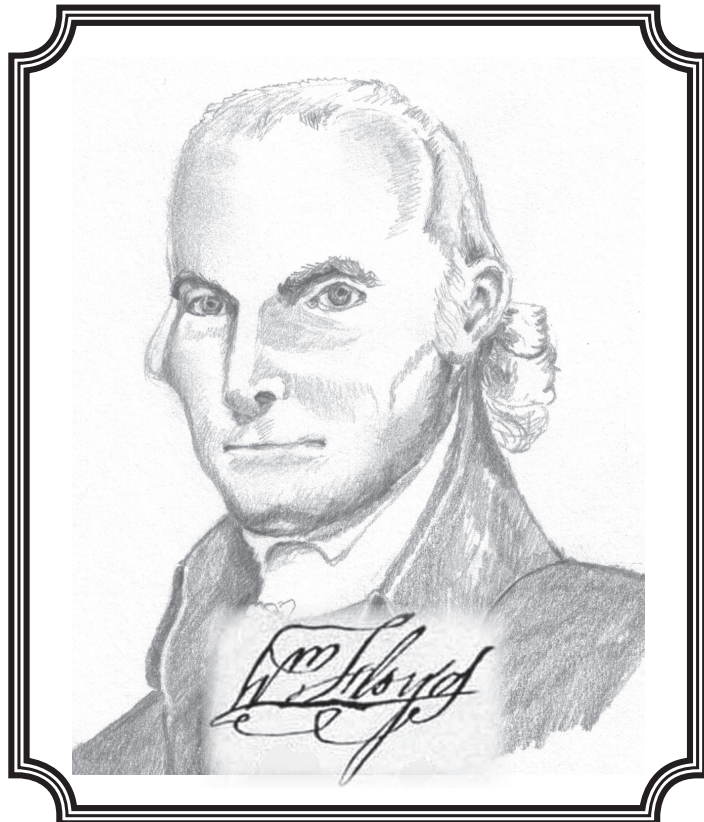
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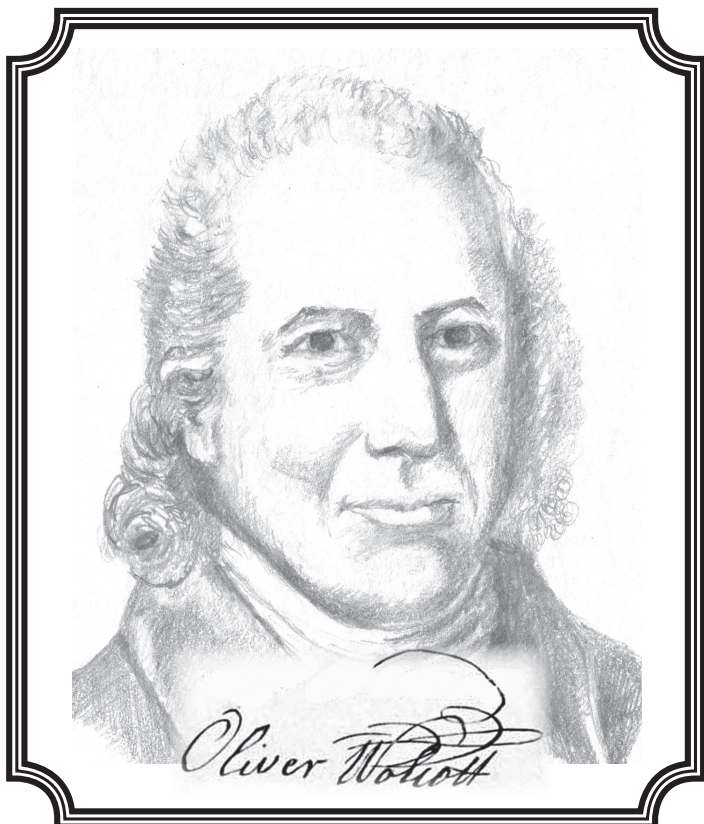
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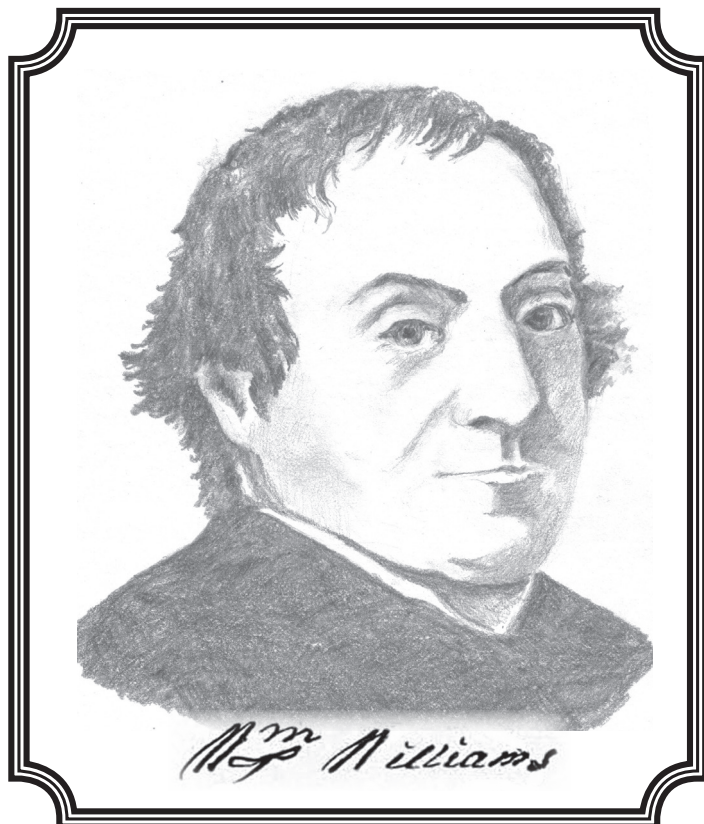
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New York



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Connecticut



Wm Williams

William Williams
Connecticut

William Floyd

Sincere Patriot

Seeing ye have purified
your souls in obeying the
truth through the Spirit
unto unfeigned love of the
brethren, see that ye love
one another with a pure
heart fervently.

—1 Peter 1:22

 New York 

Lewis Morris

Disinterested Patriot

For even hereunto were ye
called: because Christ also
suffered for us, leaving us
an example, that ye should
follow his steps.

—1 Peter 2:21

 New York 

William Williams

Honest Politician

That I might make thee
know the certainty of the
words of truth;
that thou mightest answer
the words of truth to them
that send unto thee?

—Proverbs 22:21

 Connecticut 

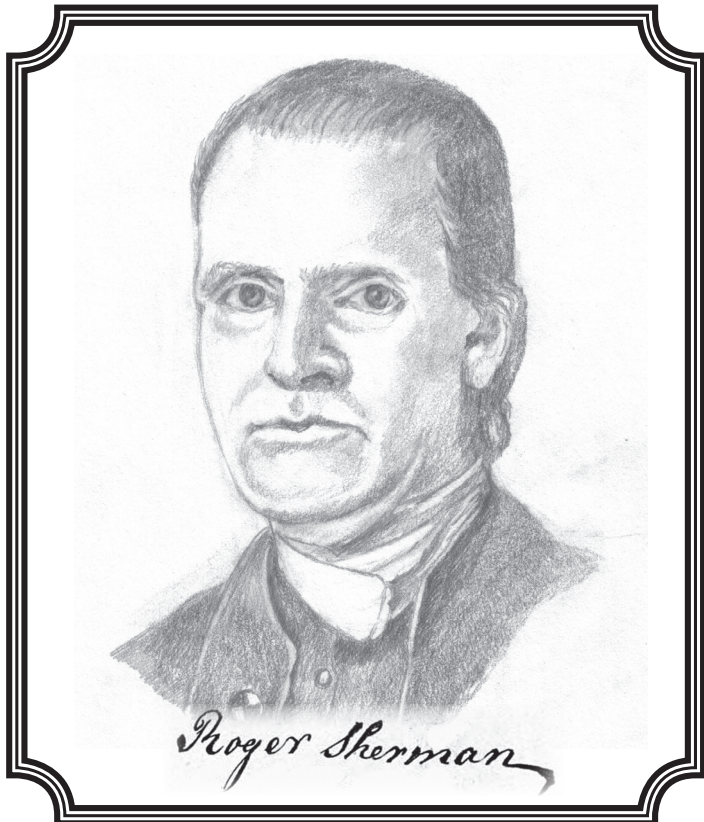
Oliver Wolcott

Resourceful Hero

If any of you lack
wisdom, let him ask
of God, that giveth to
all men liberally, and
upbraideth not; and
it shall be given him.

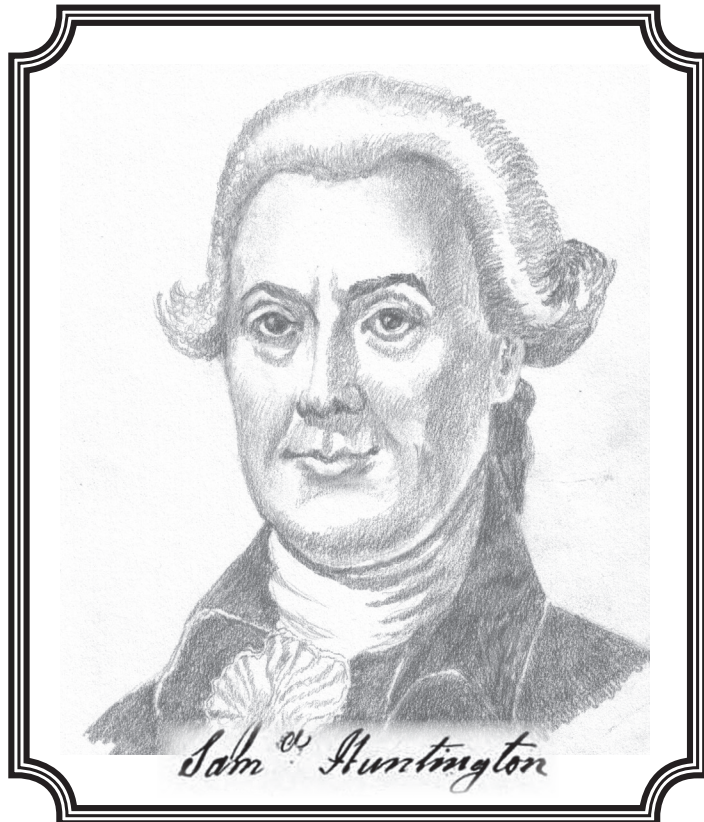
—James 1:5

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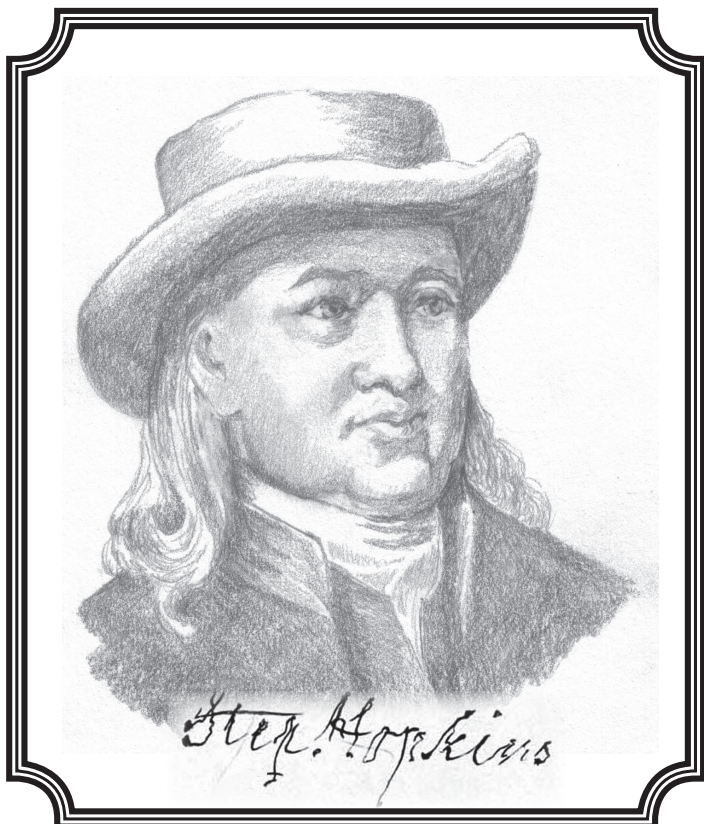
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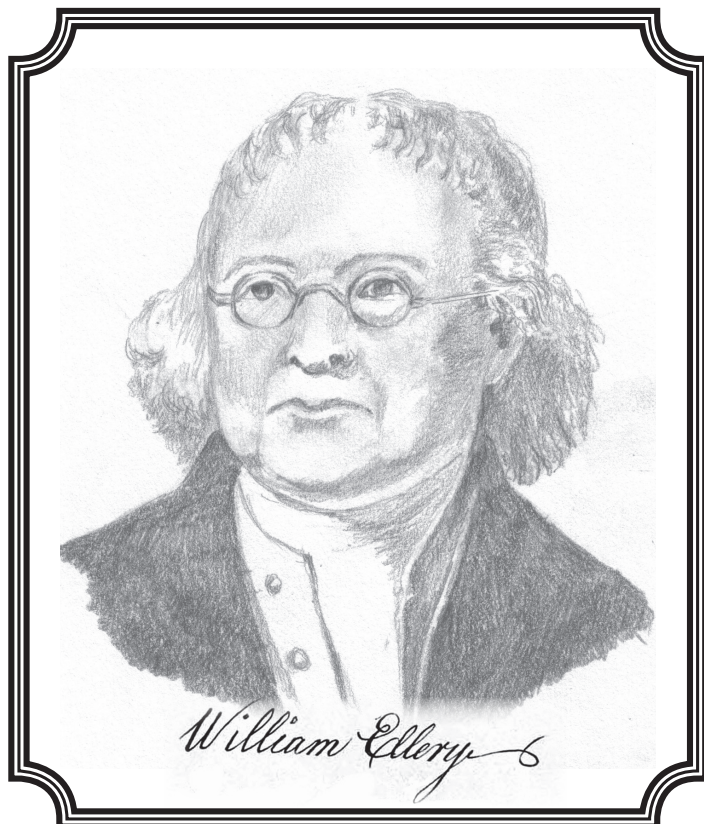
Sam^l Huntington

Samuel Huntington
Connecticut



Step. Hopkins

Stephen Hopkins
Rhode Island



William Ellery

William Ellery
Rhode Island

Samuel Huntington

Lover of Justice

To do justice and
judgment is more
acceptable to the LORD
than sacrifice.

—*Proverbs 21:3*

 Connecticut 

Roger Sherman

Steadfast Christian

Let us hold fast the
profession of our faith
without wavering;
for he is faithful that
promised.

—*Hebrews 10:23*

 Connecticut 

William Ellery

Dutiful Patriot

It hath pleased them verily;
and their debtors they are.

For if the Gentiles have
been made partakers of their
spiritual things, their duty is
also to minister unto them in
carnal things.

—*Romans 15:27*

 Rhode Island 

Stephen Hopkins

Consistent Christian

For though I be absent
in the flesh, yet am I with
you in the spirit, joying and
beholding your order, and
the steadfastness of your
faith in Christ.

—*Colossians 2:5*

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