

RUSSELL'S AMERICAN ALMANAC K,

For the Year of our REDEMPTION, 1781.

Being First after Leap-Year; and Fifth Year of INDEPENDENCY.

Fitted for the Meridian of BOSTON; N. E. Lat. 42° 25' N.

Wherein may be found all Things necessary for this WORK.

To which is added, A DECLARATION of the RIGHTS of the Inhabitants of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, extracted from the Frame of Government; and a List of the Chief Officers of Government, which is thought necessary to be possessed by every FREEMAN in this COMMONWEALTH.

Calculated by that curious and accurate Astronomer, BENJAMIN WEST, Esq; of Providence, State of Rhode-Island.



The Public may look out for some remarkable and interesting
 EVENTS that are to take Place this Year, in the EUROPEAN as
 well as AMERICAN World, if our Stars fall not; see last Page.

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Two ECLIPSES of the SUN in the Year 1781.

THE first will be on April 23d, and annular to all those places where it will be central.

	h.	m.	s.
At BOSTON it will begin to be visible at	12	36	30
Middle at	1	37	0
End of the Eclipse at	3	0	30
Time of incidence	1	0	30
Time of repletion	1	23	15
Duration	2	24	0
Digits eclipsed	3	48	0

Apparent time. }
sou. east side.



In the Type Z E N C is the Sun; Z N is a vertical passing through the Sun at the time of the middle of the Eclipse; E C is the Ecliptic, and a b the Moon's orb, inclining to the Ecliptic in an angle of 14° 51'. The above numbers were determined from a large orthographic projection made from the following elements:

	h.	m.	s.
Apparent time of the Ecliptic Conjunction under the Meridian of Boston,	12	38	15
When the place of the ☉ and ☾ will be correctly	8	3	51
Latitude of Cambridge reduced from the Spheroid to the Sphere	42	10	9
Equatoral parallax of the ☾	-	-	54 29.9
Reduced agreeable to the Latitude	-	-	54 23.5
Hourly motion of the ☾	-	-	29 56.3
Horizontal Diameter of the ☾	-	-	29 42.1
Ditto of the ☉	-	-	31 52.8
Latitude of the ☾	-	-	S. A. 3 14.7
Hourly motion of the ☉	-	-	2 25.7
Obliquity of the Ecliptic	-	-	23 28 12.3
Declination of the ☉	-	-	12 49 11
Angle of the visible way of the ☾ with the Ecliptic	14	51	

The Sun will rise centrally eclipsed in the Pacific Ocean, or Great South Sea, in lat. 28 : 12 S. and long. 149 : 8 W. from the Greenwich Observatory : Thence the center of the Penumbra will take a north-easterly course, and will enter the continent of America at the Bay of Panama ; and in lat. 9 : 2 N. and long. 79 : 54 W. the Sun will be centrally eclipsed at 12 o'clock opposite Porto Bello : From thence it will cross the Isthmus of Panama, the Bay of Darien, a small part of Terra Firma, a little southward of Carthagena, and over the Gulf of Venezuela, and will enter the Atlantic Ocean, and pass through the Leeward Islands, and the Granadillos, between St. Vincent and Grenada, and across the south part of Barbadoes : From thence it will

take its rout across the Atlantic Ocean, and enter the continent of Africa, and in lat. 21 : 33 N. and long. 14 : 57 W. near Cape-Blanco, the Sun will set centrally eclipsed. The second will be on the seventeenth day of October, at half after four o'clock in the morning, invisible.

On CREATION, Are hid from human eyes.
 WHEN I survey this mighty frame, Could shallow man thy depths explore
 Thy God-head were but small, Thy sov'reign care wou'd be no more
 With all it's orbs around, Then sov'reign care wou'd be no more
 That's still in motion, still the same, A man might roll the ball.
 In space without a bound. But O ! the providential Spring !
 The various seasons of the year, Passing all human scan,
 In beauteous order all, That flows to the minutest thing
 Which to a reason makes it clear, That moves as well as man,
 That GOD must govern all, Permitting or commanding still,
 Yet do we find to our disgrace, In such thy power's express,
 Of miscreants profans, And all perform their good or ill
 A crooked, perverse, stubborn race, As suits thy glory best.
 Who scoffingly maintain, O great, eternal Source of love !
 (Because they prosper in their lusts, Extend thy gracious hand,
 And virtue's force deny,) And hasten justice from above
 That Heav'n approves of the unjust, To this unhappy land. (grace
 Or there's no GOD on high, Then shall our Senates all with
 Should haughty man in reason low, And righteous laws restore ;
 Compare with Thee, all-wise, Then shall our Senators have peace,
 Presume the secrets for to know, Offending Thee no more.

COURTS in the four States of NEW-ENGLAND for 1779.
 Superior Courts in the State of MASSACHUSETTS-BAY.
 AT Boston, Mar. 13, Aug. 28. At Salem, Nov. 6. Ipswich, Dec. 12. Cambridge, Octo. 30. Charlestown, Apr. 10. Springfield, Sept. 25. Worcester, Sept. 18. Plymouth, May 15. Barnstable, May 9. Taunton, Octo. 9. York, July 3. Falmouth, June 26. Int. Courts. At Boston, Jan. 2, Ap. 17, July 10, Oct. 25. Salem, July 10, Dec. 25. Ipswich, April 3. Newbury, Sept. 25. Cambridge, May 15. Charlestown, Mar. 20, Nov. 27. Concord, Sept. 11. Springfield, May 15, Aug. 28. Northampton, Feb. 13, Nov. 13. Worcester, Jan. 2, May 8, Sept. 4, Nov. 6. Plymouth, Ap. 10, July 10, Oct. 16, Dec. 11. Barnstable, Ap. 3, June 26, Sept. 26, Dec. 4. Taunton, Mar. 13, June 12, Sept. 11, Dec. 18. York, Jan. 2, Ap. 10, July 10. Biddford, Oct. 9. Pownalboro', June 5, Sept. 25. Edgartown, Mar. 6. Tisbury, Octo. 30. Sherburne, Mar. 27, Octo. 2. Great-Barrington, April 24, Sept. 4. Pittsfield, Mar. 6, Dec. 4. Falmouth, Mar. 27, July 31, Octo. 30.

COURTS in the State of NEW-HAMPSHIRE.
 County of Grafton. Inferior Court Haverhill, 1st Thursday next following the 3d Tuesdays in April and October. Sessions at Hamhill, the 3d Tuesday in same month. Superior Court Plymouth, Tuesday in June ; Inferior Court 1st Thursday next following the

Tuesday in January and July. Sessions 3d Tuesdays in same month.
 County of Rockingham. Sup. Court Portsmouth, 1st Tuesday in
 Mar. Exeter, 1st Tuesday Sep. Inf. Court Portsmouth, 1st Tuesday in
 February, May and Nov. Sessions 2d Tuesday Feb. May and Nov.
 Inferior Court Exeter, last Tues. July. Sessions 1st Tuesday August.
 County of Hillsborough. Superior Court Amherst, 2d Tuesday
 Sept. Inferior Court 1st Tuesday Jan. April, July and October.
 Sessions sit on Thursday in same week with the Inferior Courts.
 County of Cheshire. Superior Court Keen, 3d Tues. Sept. Inf.
 Court 2d Tues. July, Oct. Inf. Court Charlestown 2d Tues. Jan
 and April. Sessions sit on Thursday same week with Inferior Courts.
 County of Stafford. Superior Court Dover, last Tuesday May.
 Inferior Court Thursday next following 2d Tuesday in July and Octo.
 Sessions at Dover, 2d Tuesday Jan. July, and Octo. Inferior Court
 at Durham, 1st Thursday next following the 2d Tuesday in April.

COURTS in the State of CONNECTICUT.

Superior Court Hartford. Mar. 6, Sept. 4, New-London, Sept.
 25. New-Haven, Feb. 27, Aug. 28. Windham, Mar. 20, Sep. 18.
 Norwich, Mar. 27, Fairfield, Feb. 20, Aug. 21. Litchfield, Aug. 14.
 In. C. N. London, June 12. New-Haven, Ap. 3, Nov. 9. Wind-
 bam, June 26, Dec. 11. Norwich, Nov. 27. Hartford, Apr. 10
 Nov. 6. Fairfield, Ap. 17, Nov. 20. Litchfield, Ap. 24, Sep. 25.
 RHODE-ISLAND — Superior Court Newport, Mar 5, Sept. 19.
 Providence, Mar, 19, Sept 3. South-Kingston, April 2, October 1.
 Bristol, April 9, October 8. East-Greenwich, April 23, October 15.
 Inferior Court Newport, May 28, November 19. Providence,
 June 18, December 17. South-Kingston, February 19, August 13.
 Bristol, January 1, July 2. East-Greenwich, January 15, July 16.

VULGAR NOTES for 1781.

Golden Number	15	Dionysian Period	110
Cycle of the Sun	26	Dominical Letter	G
Roman Indiction	14	Easter Limit	43
Epa&	4	Number of Direction	25
Julian Period	6494	Easter Sunday April	15th

By the accounts which have been collected, it appears, that
 the Darkness which happened in May last, extended from
 Casco Bay to beyond New-York, and as high as Fort Edward and
 up the Grants to Ticonderoga. A gentlman that day at Rupert
 lays, the greatest obscuration there was from before sunrise to
 8 or 9 o'clock morn. and that at 8 they breakfasted by candles.
 The height of the darkness was at Portsmouth 11h. P. M. New-
 bury 12h. Ipswich 2h. Groton 12h. Boston 2h. Providence 12h.
 Newport 12h. Fairfield 11h. A. M. Yale-College 11h. Hartford
 12h. Etopus A. M. Nine Partners 10h. Rupert (Vermont) 8 h.
 At sea lat. 36 O was not obscured. Extent from N. W. to S.
 E. the greatest obscuration 5h. sooner at Rupert near L. George
 than at R. Island, and the greatest darkness of all at Newbury and
 on Merrimack. The night darkness was Egyptian. *Publicola.*

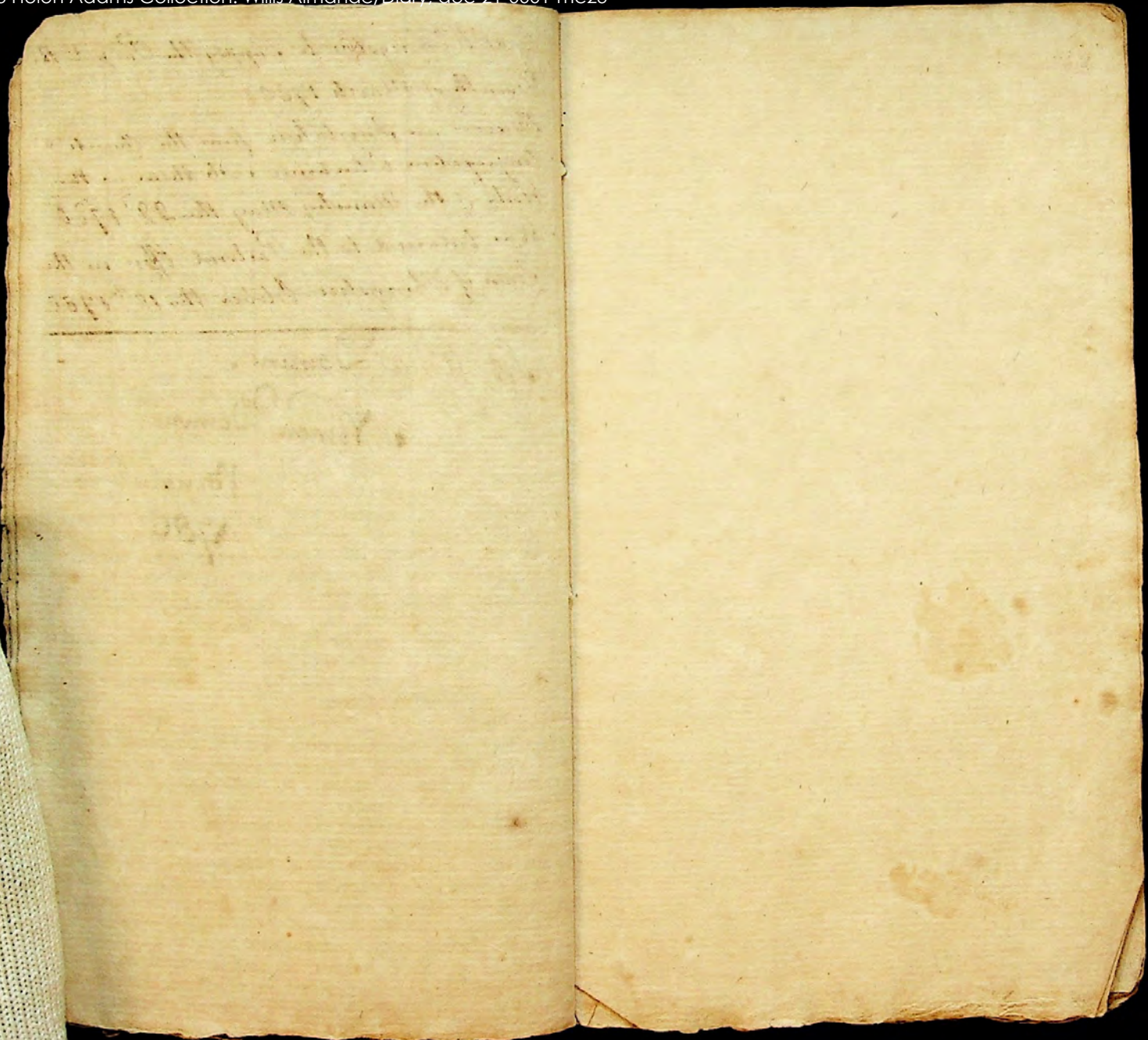
Came to Kingston to Supply the Pulpit the
 Eleventh of March 1780

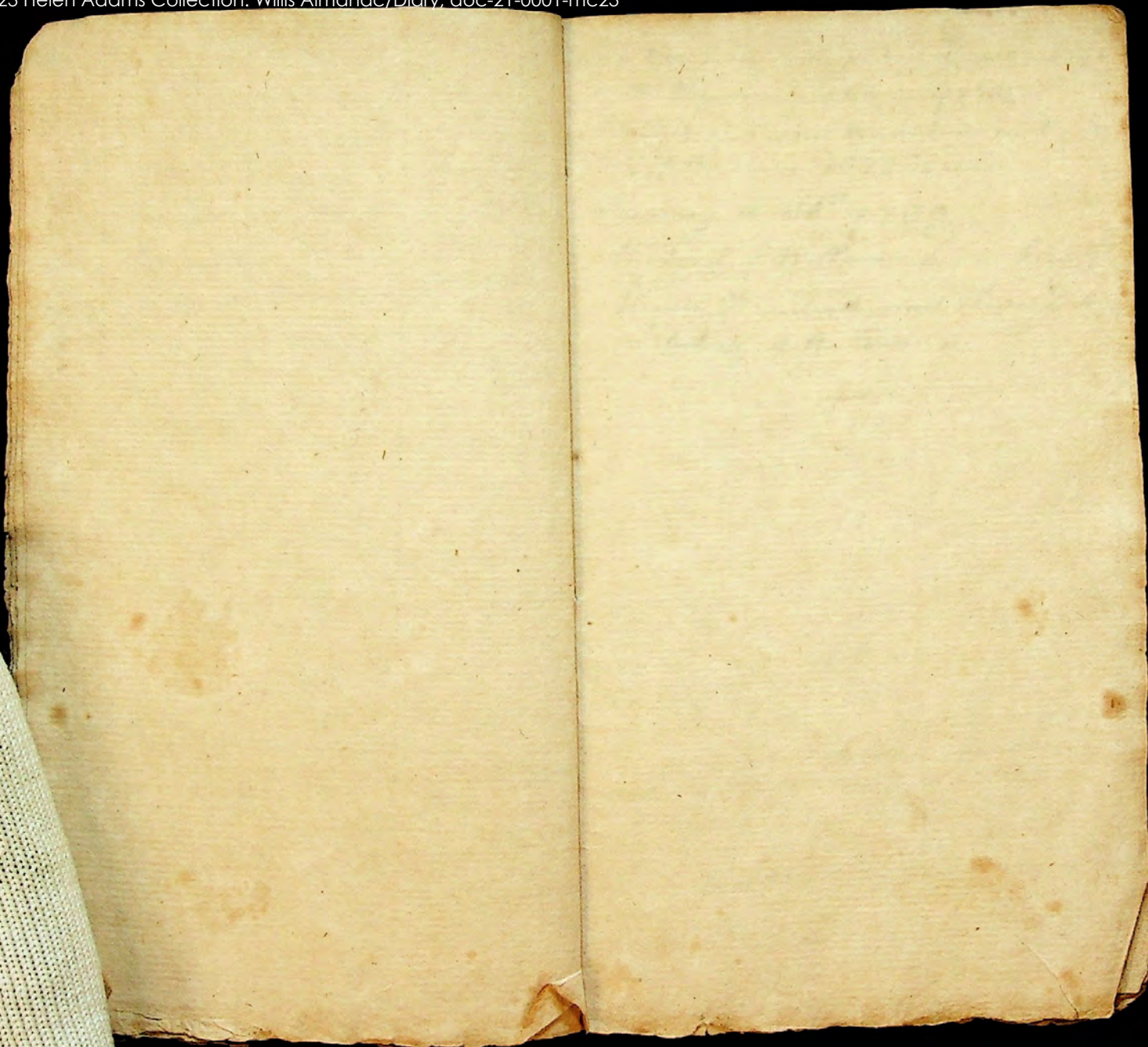
Received an Invitation from the Church &
 Congregation to continue with them in the
 Work of the Ministry May the 22^d 1780
 Was ordained to the Pastoral Office in the
 Town of Kingston October the 18th 1780

Sit Gloria Domini.

Nomen Domini

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 1786





Some time in the latter part of December 1780
or the Beginning of January 1781,
Received of Deacon Washburn on the be-
half of the Town, 1572 Dollars.

January the 30th 1780
Received of William Dows Esq^r,
Eleven Hundred and Five Dollars
on behalf of the Town.

11 Mo. FEBRUARY, hath 28 Days. 1781

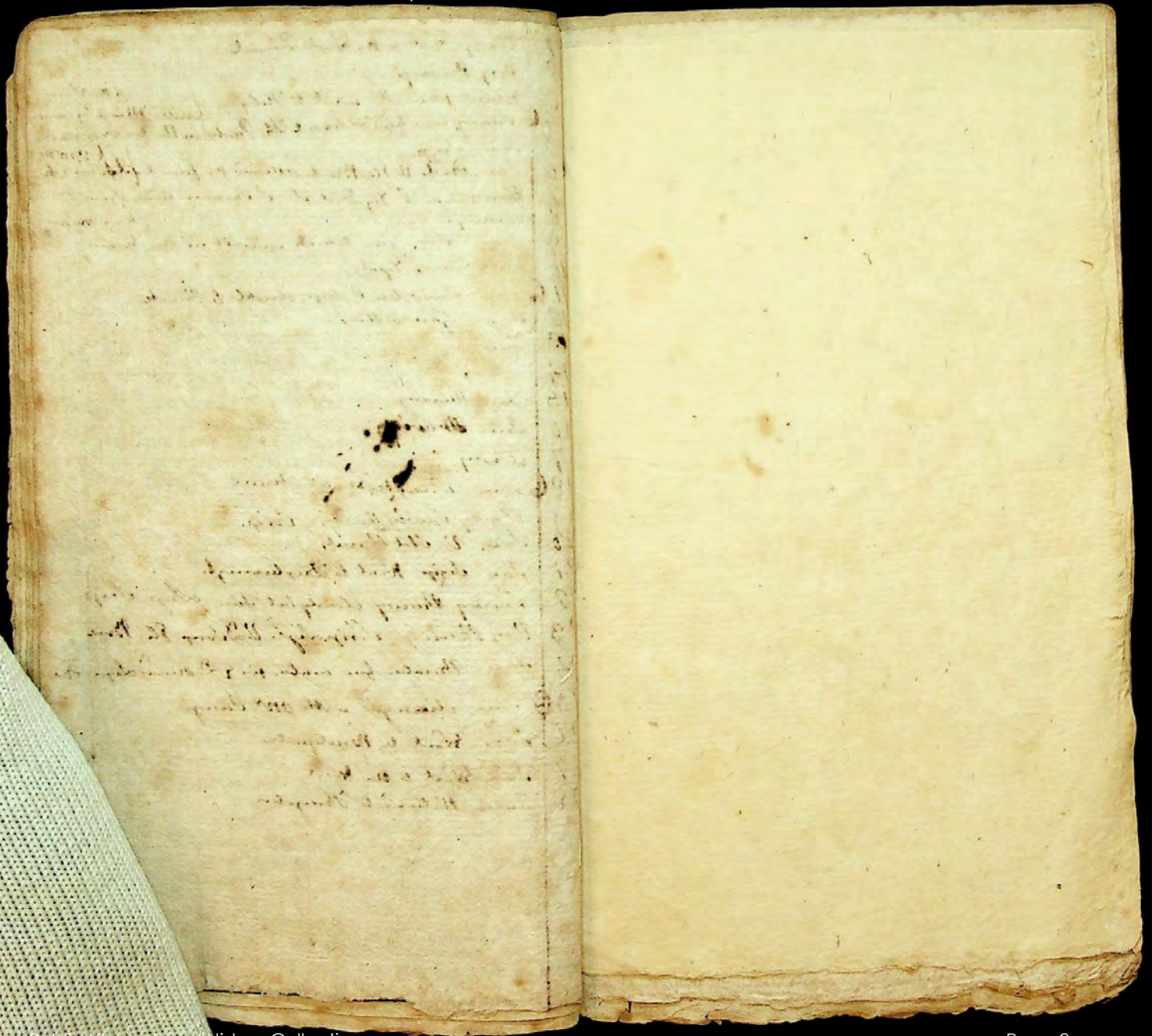
In hopes of future safety, see them fly
 To arms: They'll conquer Canada, or die.
 With this design were weighty counsels plan'd
 Each step review'd, and every motive scan'd:
 'Till wisdom clos'd the plan and gave command,
 That armed force should travel o'er the land:
 While others with their fleet should scour the main
 Along St. Laurence to Quebec's domain—
 Yet ill success attend'd all their ways;
 Nor did they gain their long expected praise,
 But great disgrace ensu'd their toil and pain,
 With much expence and labor spent in vain.
 See those base Leaders deaf to trump of fame
 (Who then perform'd what eowards justly claim)

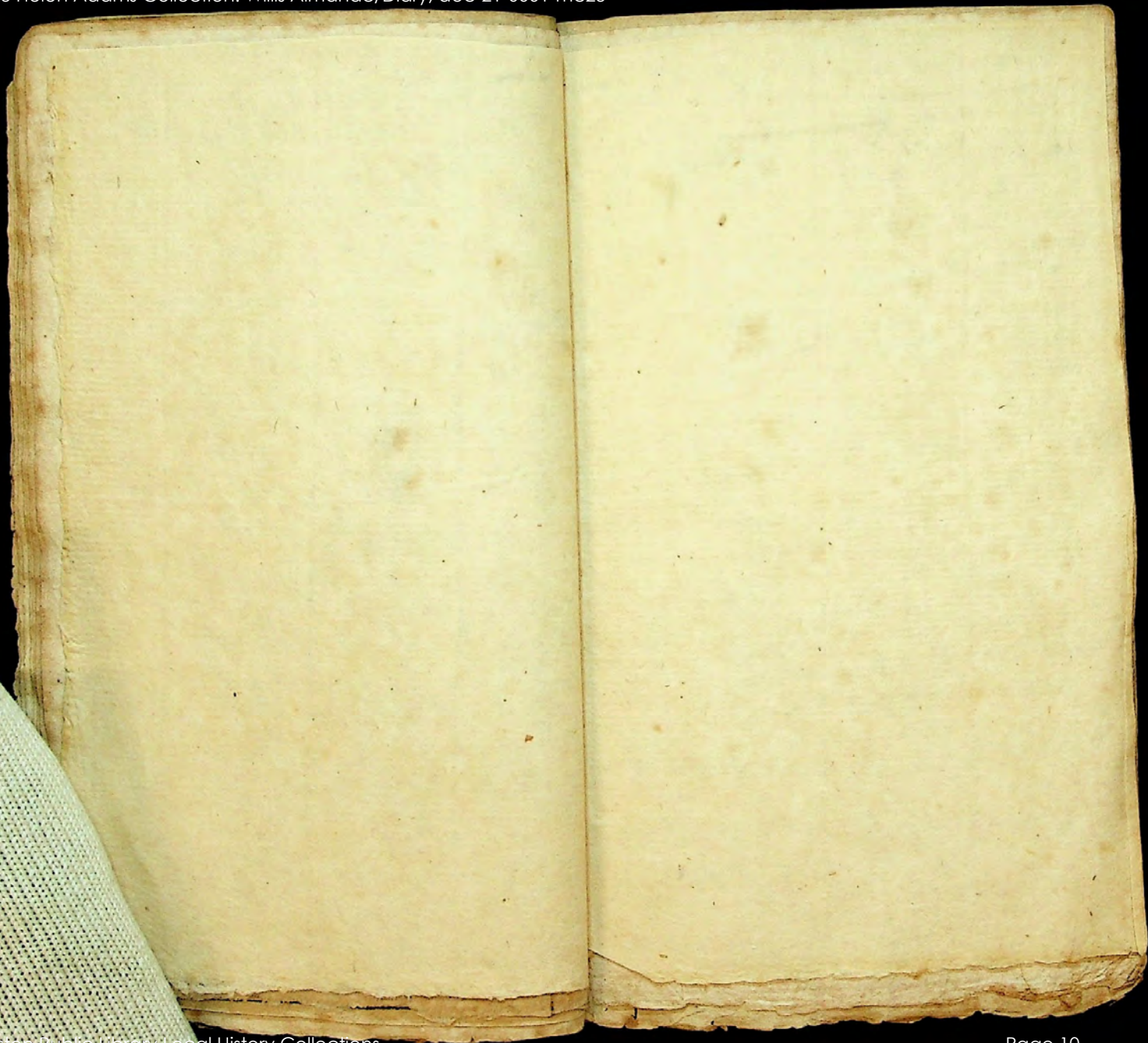
M. W. Calendar, Weather, &c. r. s. f. d. s. p. r. d.

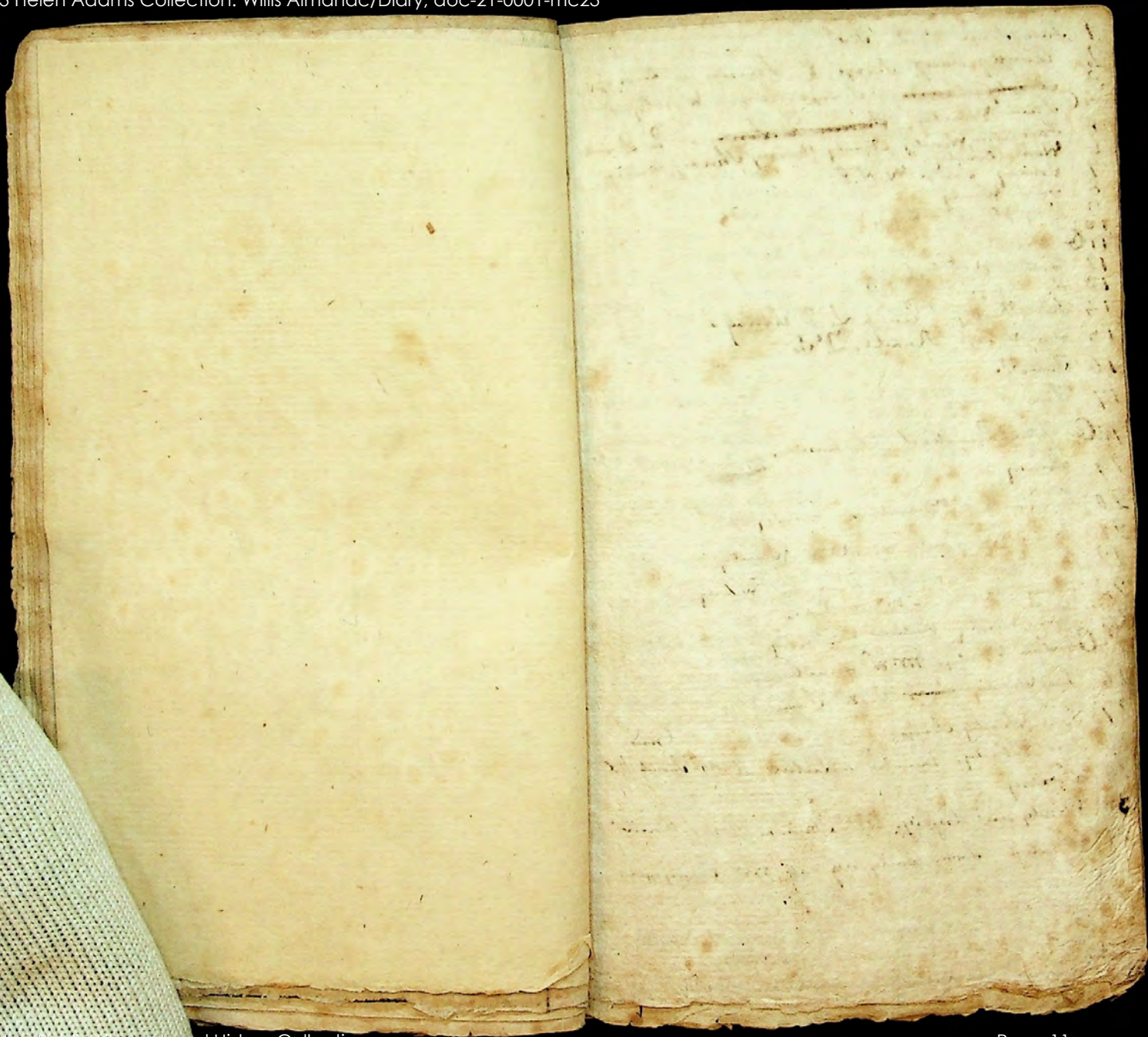
1	5	7* south 6 h. 33 m.	7	5	5	4	5	8	14	Morn
2	6	Purification V. Mary.	7	4	5	5	4	5	27	1 10
3	7	Blaise, Bishop.	7	3	5	6	3	5	arms	2 20
4	G	5th Sunday past Epiphany.	7	2	5	7	2	5	22	3 20
5	2	3* south 9 h. 15 m.	7	1	5	8	2	0	breast	4 20
6	3	Day's length 10 h. 2 m.	6	5	6	9	1	6	19	5 20
7	4	Windy	6	5	6	10	1	2	heart	6 10
8	5	and snow.	6	5	6	11	8	19	Drife	6 10
9	6	High Tides.	6	5	6	12	2		belly	6 10
10	7	Perigee. Ecc. 605.	6	5	6	12	5	18		7 30
11	G	Septuagesima.	6	5	6	1	4	0	teins	8 40
12	2	Clear	6	5	6	2	2	9	17	10 10
13	3	and cold.	6	4	6	3	1	9	secrets	11 10
14	4	Valentine.	6	4	6	4	1	3	15	Morn
15	5	D's Latitude 1: 56 S.	6	4	6	5	7		thigh	0 31
16	6	Rain.	6	4	6	5	5	8	13	1 50
17	7	7* south 5 h. 30 m.	6	4	6	6	4	9	26	2 50
18	G	Sexagesima.	6	4	6	7	4		knees	3 40
19	2	Night's length 13 h. 20 m.	6	4	6	8	3	1	21	4 30
20	3	D's Latitude 5: 3 S.	6	3	6	9	2	0	legs	5 20
21	4	Day's length 10 h. 44 m.	6	3	6	10	7	1	16	5 50
22	5	Fair	6	3	6	10	4	9	28	6 30
23	6	weather.	6	3	6	11	3	1	31	6 30
24	7	St. Matthias. Apogee.	6	3	6	12	1	3	22	6 40
25	G	Quinquagesima.	6	3	6	12	5	4	head	7 50
26	2	Night's length 13 h. 4 m.	6	3	6	1	3	5	16	8 50
27	3	Snow.	6	3	6	2	1	8	29	10 10
28	4	Ash-Wednesday.	6	2	6	3	2		neck	11 10

The Planet VENUS will be Morning-Star to the second day of June, 7 h. 21 m. in the morning; from thence Evening-Star to the end of the year.

1 Cloudy. Went to the West Point.
 2 Very thinny.
 3 Return pleasant visit to Halifax. (Went to M. in by name of the town)
 4 Survey came from Halifax & H. Point in the fore Noon & on
 5 Fair: Sings.
 6 Fair. M. d. V. St. Brud. attended the funeral of John C. (W. M. V. C.)
 7 Fair sleep. V. by Dept. S. J. Thomas came from B.
 8 Cloudy.
 9 Fair. d. v. some taken around in the evening. P.
 10 Some times, Sings.
 11 Fair. Snow ten & sleep, unable to Point.
 12 Fair. Goes better.
 13 Fair
 14 Fair
 15 Fair thinny
 16 Fair thinny
 17 Cloudy
 18 Fair. Pleasant at dinner
 19 Cloudy sunny thinny. Sings.
 20 Fair. V. St. Brud.
 21 Fair Sings. Went to Duplexmouth
 22 Sunny thinny cloudy but Fair. Large Sings
 23 Very thinny. Sings. Sings. V. Delamp. El. D. v. v.
 24 Fair. Pleasant fair weather. no S. D. second day. P.
 25 Fair changed with M. Sings.
 26 Fair. Went to Westpoint
 27 Fair. Went to the West
 28 Fair. Pleasant to Thurgate







1 Fair. S. V. D. S.
 2 Cloudy. Heavy S. S. (Summer S. S. S.)
 3 Cloudy. Heavy S. S. Fair Windy
 4 Fair Windy, ~~S. S. S.~~ Pe. S. S.
 5 Fair calm Windy, Cloudy, Heavy, S. S. S.
 6 Windy S. S. W. N. E.
 7 Fair Windy
 8 Very pleasant. S. S.
 10 S. P. S. S.
 12 Fair V. D. S. S. S.
 13 S. S. S.
 14 Fair, Heavy Peach L. D. S. S. S.
 15 Fair, S. S. S. S. S.
 16 Fair, S.
 17 Fair Windy
 18 Fair Peached at home.
 19 Stormy.
 20 Fair went to Mountains. Windy
 21 Fair, peached. m. m. Ad. Windy
 22 Fair storm peached. arm. ea Windy
 23 Stormy. Return to S. S. S.
 24 Fair, Windy Return to S. S. S.
 25 Fair Windy. m. m. peached
 26 Fair Windy S. S. V. M. S.
 27 Fair, Windy S. S. S. (m)
 28 Fair, Windy. peached & S. S. S. at m. S. S. S.
 29 Stormy
 30 Windy and drying. m. m. S. S. S. S. S. S.
 31 Windy S. S. S. S. S. S. at m. S. S. S.

III Mo. MARCH, hath 31 Days. 1781

When the great Gault in glory stalk'd around;
 Disdain'd their strength o'er fam'd Canadia's ground;
 From that great period none could e'er behold,
 (While years on years in long succession roll'd)
 Those hostile acts, that dy'd Columbia's soil,
 But quiet ease instead of martial toil.
 Near thirty annual circuits Phœbus ran,
 When Mars his active scenes again began;
 When Britain's glory glitter'd from afar
 With pow'r, and grandeur, and with arts of war.
 In vain should I attempt here to rehearse
 In lines heroic, or in Epic verse,
 The num'rous deeds that swell the pomp of fame,
 To raise the Patriot's and the Hero's name.

M. W. Calendar, Weather, &c. r. o. s. F. Sea. D's pl. r. D's

1	St. David.	6 29 6	3 49	24	Morn.
2	D's Latitude 2 : 24 N.	6 27 6	4 36	arms	0 15
3	Windy.	6 26 6	5 29	19	1 22
4	Quadragesima.	6 25 6	6 22	break	2 22
5	Bolton Massacre, 1770.	6 24 6	7 15	15	3 21
6	Cold.	6 22 6	8 8	29	4 10
7	Day's length 11h. 18 m.	6 21 6	9 1	heart	4 59
8	Rain,	6 20 6	9 53	27	5 34
9	or snow.	6 19 6	10 45	belly	6 9
10	Perigæ. Ecc. 666.	6 17 6	11 38	27	Dishes
11	2d S. in Lent. High Tides.	6 16 6	12 29	reins	7 50
12	D's Latitude 0 : 45 N.	6 15 6	1 20	27	9 6
13	Clear.	6 13 6	2 11	secrets	10 22
14	Night's length 12 h. 22 m.	6 11 6	3 4	24	11 34
15	Rain,	6 10 6	3 57	highs	Morn.
16	and windy.	6 9 6	4 53	22	0 45
17	Brit. drove from Bost. 1776.	6 7 6	5 50	knees	1 48
18	3d Sunday in Lent.	6 5 6	6 39	18	2 51
19	Good weather.	6 4 6	7 28	legs	3 32
20	7's set 10 h. 10 m.	6 2 6	8 15	13	4 12
21	Day's length 12 h. 2 m.	5 59 7	9 1	25	4 41
22	D's Latitude 4 : 15 S.	5 58 7	9 43	feet	5 10
23	Windy and	5 57 7	10 24	20	5 38
24	clear. Apogæ.	5 56 7	11 4	head	D sets
25	4th Sunday in Lent.	5 55 7	11 43	13	6 54
26	Twilight ends 7 h. 50 m.	5 54 7	12 24	25	7 57
27	D's Latitude 0 : 10 N.	5 53 7	1 5	neck	9 1
28	Good	5 51 7	1 52	19	10 7
29	Night's length 11 h. 40 m.	5 50 7	2 38	arms	11 13
30	weather for	5 48 7	3 28	14	Moro.
31	the season.	5 47 7	4 19	25	0 16

IV Mo: APRIL, hath 30 Days. 178

Their matchless scenes in different acts display
 From north to south our hosts their hosts invade
 Say where the splendor first began to shine
 In northern, southern or the middle climate
 Where did the blooming Hero first arise,
 To found in arms unival'd for the prize
 Virginia hears! Virginia claims the same;
 For there began the lamp of war to flame.
 O'er hills and woods th' intrepid sons of war
 Oppos'd the Gauls that threaten'd from afar
 There shone the youth adorn'd with heav'nly fire
 And with each virtue that the soul can fill
 His name rever'd! great WASHINGTON I
 Decreed by fate in future deeds to ring.

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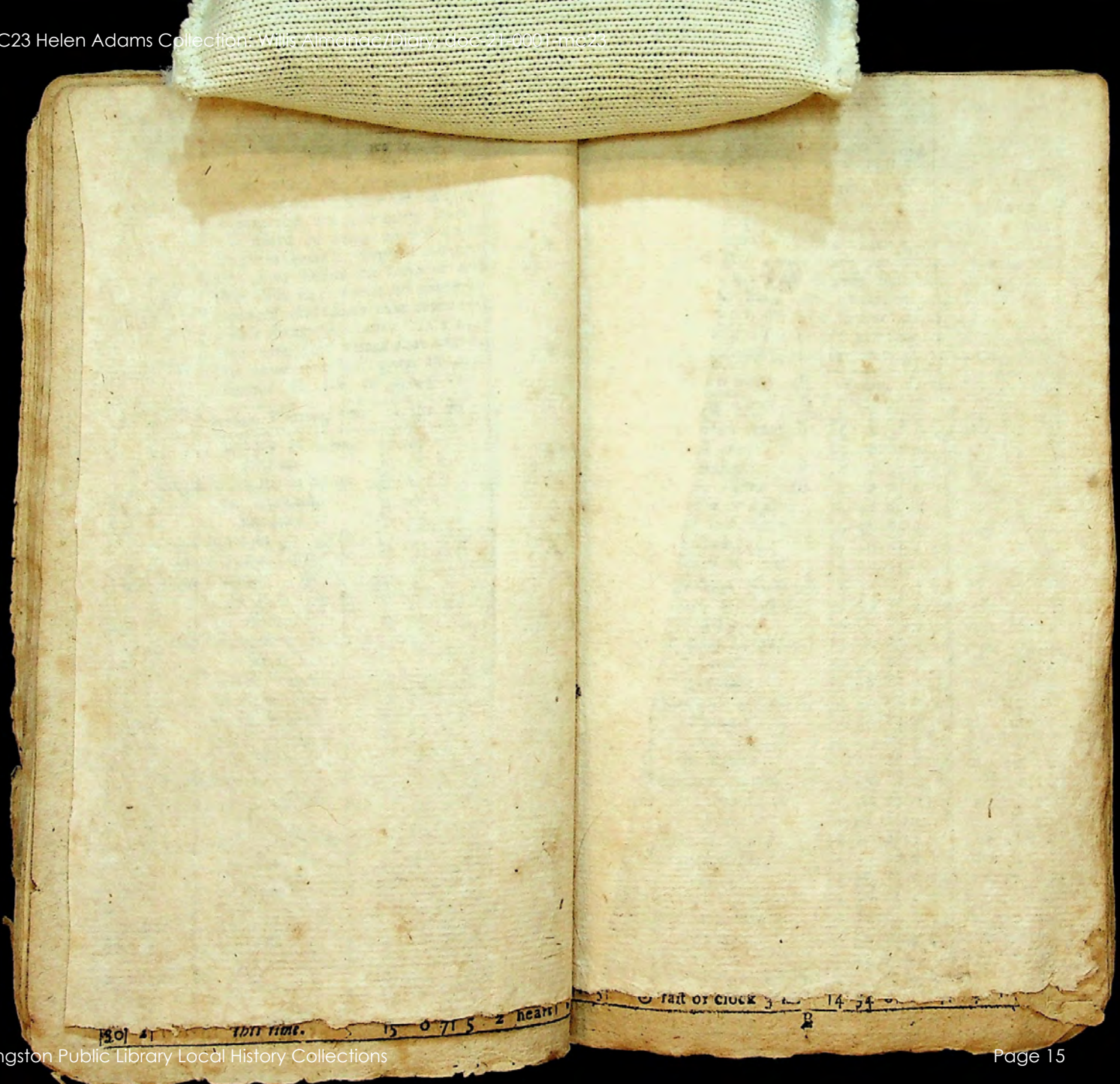
1	G	5th Sunday in Lent. <i>Pleasant.</i>	5 45 7	5 12	breast
2	2		5 43 7	6 5	23
3	3	Night's length 11 h. 22 m.	5 41 7	6 59	heart
4	4	St. Ambrose.	5 40 7	7 53	21
5	5	<i>Showers.</i>	5 39 7	8 43	belly
6	6	D's Latitude 3 : 44 N.	5 38 7	9 32	19
7	7	High Tides. Ecc. 655.	5 37 7	10 23	reins
8	G	Palm Sunday. ● Perigee.	5 35 7	11 15	19
9	2	7 th set 9 h. 53 m.	5 33 7	12 9	secrets
10	3	<i>Clear.</i>	5 32 7	1 6	19
11	4	Day's Length 13 h. 0 m.	5 30 7	2 3	ribs
12	5	<i>Rain.</i>	5 28 7	2 56	17
13	6	Good Friday.	5 26 7	3 48	knees
14	7	● and clock together.	5 25 7	4 41	14
15	G	Easter Sunday.	5 24 7	5 35	27
16	2	Easter Monday.	5 23 7	6 22	legs
17	3	Easter Tuesday.	5 22 7	7 9	22
18	4	Night's length 10 h. 42 m.	5 21 7	7 51	feet
19	5	Battle at Lexington, 1775.	5 19 7	8 32	16
20	6	<i>Pleasant.</i>	5 18 7	9 12	28
21	7	D's Lat. 2 : 13 S. ● Ap.	5 17 7	9 52	head
22	G	1st Sunday in Easter.	5 16 7	10 33	22
23	2	● eclipsed visible.	5 15 7	11 15	neck
24	3	<i>Clear.</i>	5 14 7	11 59	16
25	4	St. Mark.	5 13 7	12 45	28
26	5	D's Latitude 3 : 5 N.	5 12 7	1 31	arms
27	6	Battle at Culloden, 1745.	5 10 7	2 24	23
28	7	<i>Showers at</i>	5 9 7	3 17	breast
29	G	2d Sunday in Easter.	5 7 7	4 10	19
30	2	<i>this time.</i>	5 6 7	5 2	heart

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V Mo. M A Y, hath 31 Days. 1781.

His glory bloom'd while Braddock left the light,
 Spurn'd by the Pagans to the shades of night.
 On that pale day, near proud Ohio's streams,
 What numbers slaughtered! O what dying screams!
 Thousands of limbs there fed the beasts that roam
 Their whiten'd bones now glitt'ring in the sun.
 'Twas this that rous'd the soul with godlike fire,
 And arm'd the Britons with their ancient ire:
 Call'd forth their virtues to oppose the foe
 In after ills, and scenes of urging woe.
 Heav'n first propos'd and fate obey'd command,
 That hostile gloom should shade the northern land.

A. W. Calendar, Weather, &c. r. ☉. F. Sea. D's pl. r. D's.

1	3	Day's length 13 h. 54 m.	5	5	7	5	52	15	1	47
2	4	Gen. Election Newport.	5	3	7	6	43	belly	2	19
3	5	<i>A good season.</i>	5	2	7	7	33	15	2	50
4	6	☉ Perigee. Ecc. 586.	5	1	7	8	23	29	3	16
5	7	3d Sunday in Easter.	5	0	7	9	13	reins	3	42
6	8	Pretty full tides.	4	59	8	10	3	28	4	4
7	2	Rain.	4	58	8	10	55	secrets	D	rise
8	3	7's set 8 h. 0 m.	4	56	8	11	50	27	8	19
9	4	Gen. Election Hartford.	4	55	8	12	47	highs	9	29
0	5	D's Lat. 4: 48 S.	4	54	8	1	45	26	10	38
1	6	<i>Clear.</i>	4	53	8	2	39	knees	11	28
2	7	4th Sunday in Easter.	4	51	8	3	32	22	Morn.	
3	8	<i>and pleasant.</i>	4	50	8	4	20	legs	0	18
4	3	D's Latitude 4: 10 S.	4	49	8	5	7	17	0	51
5	4	<i>Showers</i>	4	48	8	5	50	29	1	24
6	5	<i>at this time.</i>	4	48	8	6	34	feet	1	48
7	6	☉ Apogee.	4	46	8	7	15	24	2	12
8	7	Rogation Sunday.	4	45	8	7	55	head	2	33
9	8	D's Latitude 0: 16 N.	4	44	8	8	35	18	2	54
0	9	<i>Warm</i>	4	43	8	9	16	neck	3	15
1	2	<i>for the season.</i>	4	42	8	10	2	12	3	37
2	3	Ascension-Day.	4	41	8	10	48	25	3	59
3	4	<i>Rain.</i>	4	40	8	11	33	arms	D	fe
4	5	D's Latitude 4: 57 N.	4	39	8	12	18	21	9	3
5	6	Sunday past Ascension.	4	38	8	1	14	breast	10	4
6	7	<i>Showers.</i>	4	38	8	2	11	16	11	4
7	8	<i>Clear.</i>	4	37	8	3	3	29	11	44
8	2	General Election Boston.	4	36	8	3	56	heart	Morn.	
9	3	☉ fast of clock 3 m.	4	35	8	4	44	27	0	24
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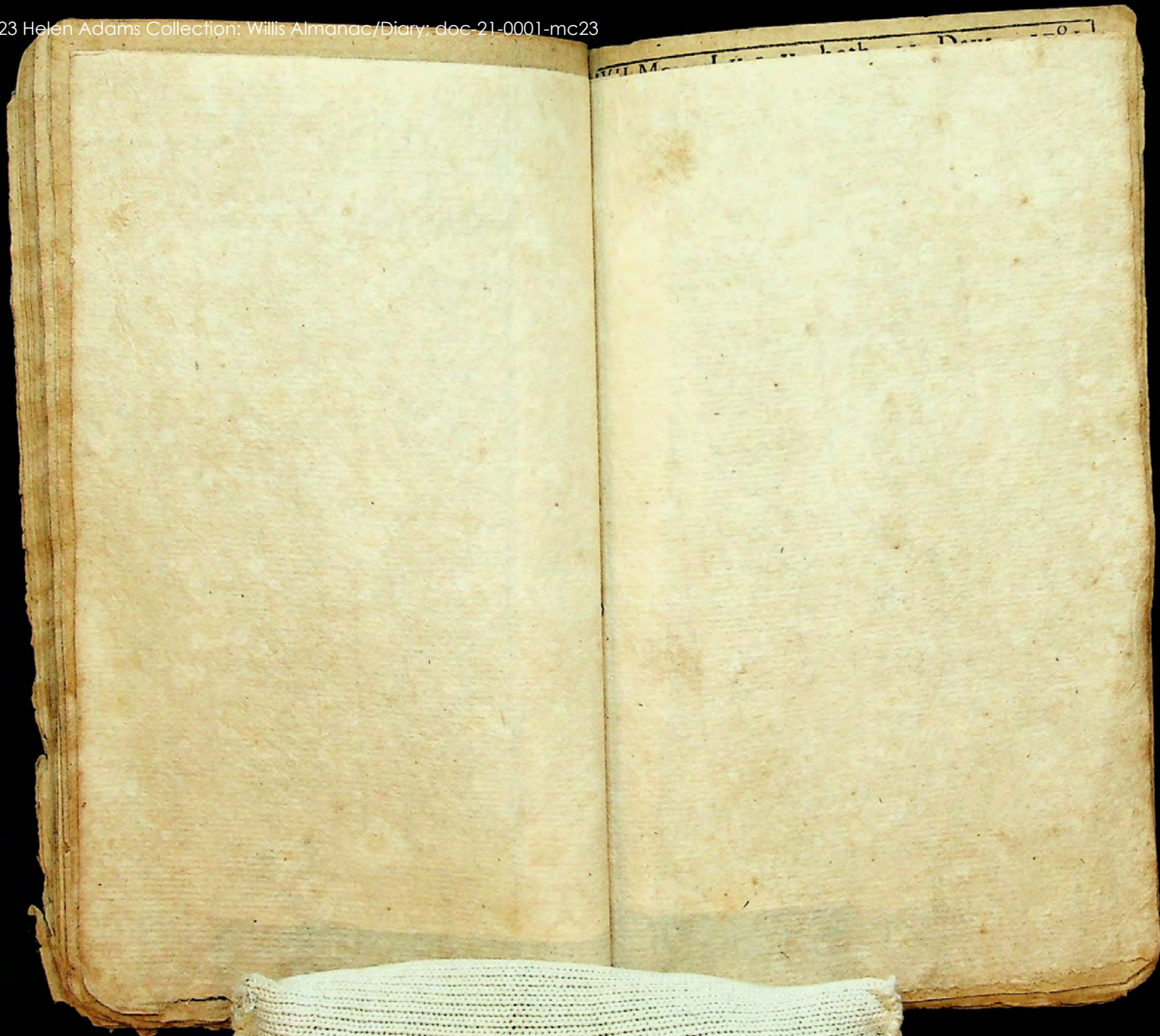
VI Mo. JUNE, hath 30 Days. 1781

View ships on ships then ploughing in the waves;
 Each adverse youth the murm'ring danger braves,
 How Boscawen's pow'r then strided on the main
 And Wolfe and Amherst lorded on the plain
 For Louisbrough the great design was fram'd
 For this their strength, for this their courage arm'd
 With fourteen thousand there our Leaders steer'd
 And near the bason the vast fleet appear'd :
 While foes incensate plac'd the cannon round
 Oppose our troops from lighting on the ground
 Here Wolfe the brave, in spite of hostile band
 Ploughs thro' the surf, and num'rous forces land
 Batt'ries are form'd, and thund'ring cannons roar
 Both land and sea are stain'd with human gore

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1	6	Nichodemus.	4	33	8	7	6	reins	1
2	7	● Per. Ecc. 491. ♂ ○ ♀	4	32	8	7	57	23	2
3	8	Whitunday.	4	31	8	8	48	secrets	2
4	9	Artillery Election Boston.	4	31	8	9	42	22	3
5	10	D's Latitude 2 : 46 S.	4	30	8	10	36	thighs	3
6	11	Warm with	4	30	8	11	26	20	4
7	12	showers, and	4	29	8	12	16	knees	9
8	13	thunder.	4	29	8	1	15	17	10
9	14	Twilight begins 2 h. 17 m.	4	29	8	2	14	legs	10
10	15	Trinity Sunday.	4	28	8	3	2	14	11
11	16	St. Barnabas.	4	28	8	3	49	26	11
12	17	Picafant.	4	27	8	4	31	feet	Mo
13	18	Day's length 15 h. 6 m.	4	27	8	5	13	21	0
14	19	Growing	4	27	8	5	54	head	0
15	20	D's Lat. i : 35 S. ● Apo.	4	27	8	6	34	15	0
16	21	weather.	4	26	8	7	15	27	1
17	22	1st Sunday past Trinity.	4	26	8	7	58	neck	1
18	23	Bat. at Bunker Hill, 1775.	4	26	8	8	43	22	2
19	24	Britons left Philadel. 1778.	4	26	8	9	28	arms	2
20	25	(7* rise 2 h. 12 m.	4	26	8	10	18	16	3
21	26	Day's length 15 h. 8 m.	4	26	8	11	9	29	4
22	27	Hot and	4	26	8	12	3	breast	8
23	28	some rain.	4	26	8	12	55	26	9
24	29	2d Sunday past Trinity.	4	26	8	1	48	heart	10
25	30	D's Latitude 4 : 45 N.	4	26	8	2	38	23	10
26	1	Warm.	4	26	8	3	27	belly.	0
27	2	Night's length 8 h. 52 m.	4	26	8	4	15	21	11
28	3	Battle Sullivan's Island 1776.	4	27	8	5	3	reins	11
29	4	● P. Ec. 435. (& Mon. 1778.	4	27	8	5	51	19	Mo
30	5	Growing weather.	4	27	8	6	4	secrets	0

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VII Mo. JULY, hath 31 Days. 1781.

For thee, fair Louisbourg, to yield a prey,
 Heaven e'er decreed before the solar day.
 Thus fell the city by our bold alarms,
 A place of commerce and the pride of arms. (T. b. c.)

FRIER PHILIP'S GEESE, A Tale from
 La Fontaine. Dedicated to the FAIR SEX.

YOUR numberless charms would, in the imagination
 of a youthful Solitary, have surpassed the beauties of
 the spring and the blushing Aurora; and had he seen them
 in his tender years, he would have preferred them to the
 dazzling splendor of the skies, and the lovely prospect of
 the meads. And indeed, he no sooner beheld your charms,
 but he felt the force of them; you far excelled all other

F. M. 5 day, 1h. 26m. afternoon.
 L. Q. 13 day, 10 h. morning.
 M. 21 day, 1 h. 57m. morn.
 R. Q. 27 day, 10 h. afternoon.

M. W. Calendar, Weather, &c. r. o. s. F. Sea. V's pl. r. Ds.

1	G	3 ^d Sunday past Trinity.	4	28	8	7	32	17	0	58
2	2	Visitation B. V. M.	4	28	8	8	23	thighs	1	31
3	3	Thunder.	4	28	8	9	19	15	2	40
4	4	Independence declared 1776.	4	29	8	10	15	29	2	40
5	5	Granada taken, 1779.	4	29	8	11	9	knees	8	4
6	6	Byron's Fleet beat by Count (D'Estaing, 1779.)	4	29	8	12	2	26	9	11
7	7	4 th Sunday past Trinity.	4	30	8	12	50	legs	9	42
8	G	Day's length 14 h. 58 m.	4	30	8	1	38	21	10	8
9	2	D's Latitude 3: 30 S.	4	31	8	2	23	feet	10	33
10	3	Battle Great Bridge, Vir.	4	31	8	3	7	17	10	51
11	4	● Apogé. (gima, 1776.)	4	32	8	3	46	29	11	9
12	5	Showers,	4	32	8	4	25	head	11	31
13	6	with thunder.	4	33	8	5	6	23	11	53
14	7	5 th Sunday past Trinity.	4	34	8	5	47	neck	11	53
15	G	Stony Point taken, 1779.	4	34	8	6	32	16	Morn.	
16	2	Thunder.	4	35	8	6	18	29	0	23
17	3	Commencement Cambridge.	4	36	8	7	18	29	0	54
18	4	● slow of clock 6 m.	4	37	8	8	9	arms	1	40
19	5	D's Latitude 4: 56 N.	4	38	8	9	0	25	2	27
20	6	Night's length 9h. 22m.	4	39	8	9	52	breast	3	17
21	7	6 th Sunday past Trinity.	4	40	8	10	44	21	3	17
22	G	Night's length 9 h. 26 m.	4	40	8	10	44	21	3	17
23	2	Exceeding warm.	4	41	8	11	38	heart	8	45
24	3	Dog-Days beg. ● Perigé.	4	42	8	12	32	19	9	14
25	4	St. Anne. Ecc. 461.	4	43	8	1	23	belly	9	43
26	5	Perhaps rain,	4	44	8	2	13	18	10	8
27	6	with thunder.	4	44	8	3	1	reins	10	39
28	7	7 th Sunday past Trinity.	4	45	8	3	48	16	10	39
29	G	Twilight ends 9 h. 10 m.	4	46	8	3	48	16	11	0
30	2	Very warm.	4	47	8	4	38	secrets	11	0
31	3		4	48	8	5	28	14	11	27
			4	49	8	6	22	28	Morn.	
			4	50	8	7	17	thighs	0	1
			4	51	8	8	10	25	0	35

VIII Mo. AUGUST, hath 31 Days. 1781.

objects, and they immediately faded in his eye. The sight of the most magnificent palaces no longer invited his curiosity. In a word, he discovered infinite more lustre in your person, than in the jewels which adorn the crown. This youth had from his infancy inhabited the woods and groves, where the winged choristers were his only companions; whose delightful harmony used sometimes to cheer his lonely hours. Their innocent melody was his only delight, notwithstanding he was wholly unacquainted with the meaning of their tuneful language. To this rural school, his father had brought him, in his infancy, immediately after the death of his mother, and the tender babe was no sooner born, than he removed him

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1	4	Day's length 14 h. 16 m.	4	52	8	9	3	knees	1	33
2	5	Night's length 9 h. 46 m.	4	53	8	9	55	22	2	31
3	6	Clear and warm.	4	54	8	10	47	legs	3	36
4	7	7 th 's life 11 h. 7 m.	4	55	8	11	34	18	Driles	
5	8	8th Sunday past Trinity.	4	56	8	12	20	feet	8	9
6	2	Transfiguration.	4	57	8	1	2	12	8	31
7	3	Name of Jesus.	4	58	8	1	44	24	8	52
8	4	Sultry. ☉ Apogē.	4	59	8	2	25	head	9	13
9	5	D's Latitude 0 : 50 S.	5	0	7	3	5	19	9	34
10	6	St. Laurence.	5	1	7	3	47	neck	9	57
11	7	Day's length 13 h. 56 m.	5	2	7	4	29	13	10	21
12	8	9th Sunday past Trinity.	5	3	7	5	15	25	10	57
13	2	Night's length 10h. 8m.	5	4	7	6	2	arms	11	33
14	3	D's Latitude 3 : 56 N.	5	5	7	6	54	19	Morn.	
15	4	Day's length 13 h. 48 m.	5	6	7	7	46	breast	0	22
16	5	Battle at Bennington, 1777.	5	8	7	8	41	16	1	11
17	6	Rain.	5	9	7	9	36	heart	2	17
18	7	Paulus Hook taken, 1779.	5	10	7	10	27	14	3	24
19	8	10th Sunday past Trinity.	5	11	7	11	18	28	D'fect	
20	2	Warm and some	5	12	7	12	9	belly	7	46
21	3	Middling Tides.	5	13	7	1	0	27	8	13
22	4	Rain. ☉ Perigē.	5	14	7	1	51	reins	8	39
23	5	Ecc. 550.	5	16	7	2	42	26	9	6
24	6	D's Latitude 1 : 15 S.	5	17	7	3	34	secret	9	34
25	7	King of France born, 1754.	5	18	7	4	26	25	10	10
26	8	11th Sunday past Trinity.	5	20	7	5	18	thighs	10	46
27	2	Clear and	5	22	7	6	15	22	11	40
28	3	pleasant.	5	24	7	7	13	knees	Morn.	
29	4	Bat. on Rhode-Island, 1778.	5	25	7	8	2	19	0	34
30	5	(Commencement) Dartmouth.	5	27	7	8	51	legs	1	33
31	6	Rain.	5	28	7	9	39	14	2	32

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X Mo. SEPTEMBER, hath 30 Days. 1781.

M. 2 day, 2 h. 37 m. afternoon.
 O. 16 day, 5 h. afternoon.
 L. N. 17 day, 7 h. 19 m. afternoon.
 E. 24 day, at noon.

far from any human creature. And for many years he had not the least idea that there were any such in the world; and imagined that there were no other creatures than the tenants of the forest he dwelt in, such as birds, wolves and others, who enjoy only a sensitive life, and are not indued with any of the rational faculties. The two motives which prevailed with his father to shun all human commerce, were these following; which whether they were well or ill grounded, I shall not take upon me to determine. The first, was his great abhorrence of mankind in general; and the second, his fear: And from the time his dear consort had left the world, and winged her way to heaven, he detested the society of his fellow-creatures. When grown weary with the

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1	7	Night's length 11 h. 0 m.	5	30	7	10	26	26	3	32
2	G	12th S. p. T. Dog D. end.	5	31	7	11	9	feet	D	ises
3	2	D's Lat. 3 : 34 S.	5	33	7	11	51	21	7	6
4	3	Clear and pleasant.	5	34	7	12	32	head	7	24
5	4	First Congress, 1774.	5	35	7	1	12	15	7	42
6	5	(Commencem. Providence.	5	37	7	1	53	27	8	5
7	6	Some rain.	5	39	7	2	34	neck	8	28
8	7	D's Latitude 2 : 10 N.	5	40	7	3	20	21	9	0
9	G	13th Sunday past Trinity.	5	41	7	4	6	arms	9	32
10	2	Clear.	5	42	7	4	56	16	10	19
11	3	Battle Brandywine, 1777.	5	43	7	5	47	28	11	7
12	4	Commencement N. Haven.	5	44	7	6	38	breast	Morn.	
13	5	Twilight beg. 4 h. 10 m.	5	45	7	7	29	23	0	5
14	6	Cool mornings	5	47	7	8	24	heart	1	3
15	7	and evenings.	5	49	7	9	20	22	2	23
16	G	14th Sunday past Trinity.	5	51	7	10	10	belly	3	43
17	2	Lambert B.	5	53	7	11	1	21	D	sets
18	3	()'s L. 145 N. High Tides.	5	54	7	11	52	reins	6	47
19	4	Perige. Ecc. 633.	5	55	7	12	42	21	7	13
20	5	Good weather.	5	56	7	1	33	secrets	7	40
21	6	St. Matthew.	5	58	7	2	29	20	8	17
22	7	Clear.	5	59	7	3	25	thighs	8	55
23	G	15th Sunday past Trinity.	6	0	6	4	21	19	9	43
24	2	Rain.	6	2	6	5	17	knees	10	32
25	3	Day's length 11 h. 52 m.	6	4	6	6	10	15	11	33
26	4	Fair and	6	5	6	7	2	28	Morn.	
27	5	pleasant.	6	6	6	7	52	legs	0	35
28	6	D's Latitude 4 : 35 S.	6	8	6	8	41	25	1	44
29	7	Some rain.	6	10	6	9	23	feet	2	54
30	G	16th Sunday past Trinity.	6	12	6	10	4	18	3	59

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sighs he himself vented; with his continual moan and the repining of all those he met with; the death of his brother half, made him both hate, as well as fear the rest of her sex; so he resolved to turn hermit, and to bring up his little son in the same way of life. Upon this having distributed his wealth among the indigent, he set out alone, and unaccompanied, except with his infant son, whom he carried in his arms, and striking down to a lonely forest, he stops in the most solitary part of it. The name of this man, as history informs us, was Philip. Here our hermit studiously conceals a hundred particulars from the child; and that not from a severity or gloominess of temper, but piety; and takes

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1	2	Day's length 11 h. 34 m.	6	13	6	10	44	head	5
2	3	Cool for the season.	6	15	6	11	23	12	6
3	4	Battle at Germantown, 1777.	6	16	6	12	4	24	6
4	5	Some rain.	6	17	6	12	46	neck	6
5	6	Night's length 12 h. 42 m.	6	19	6	1	29	18	7
6	7	17th Sunday past Trinity.	6	21	6	2	15	arms	7
7	8	Battle at Stillwater, 1777.	6	23	6	3	1	12	8
8	9	St. Dennis.	6	24	6	3	51	24	9
9	10	7's rise 7 h. 2 m.	6	25	6	4	42	breast	9
10	11	Day's length 11 h. 6 m.	6	26	6	5	35	20	11
11	12	Good weather.	6	27	6	6	28	heart	10
12	13	D's Latitude 4 : 23 N.	6	28	6	7	17	16	1
13	14	18th Sunday past Trinity.	6	29	6	8	5	belly	2
14	15	Some rain.	6	30	6	8	57	15	3
15	16	High Tides.	6	31	6	9	49	reins	3
16	17	Perigée. Ecc. 668.	6	32	6	10	41	14	5
17	18	Burgoyne and army surren- Good (de'd 1777.	6	33	6	11	34	29	6
18	19	weather.	6	35	6	12	27	secrets	6
19	20	19th Sunday past Trinity.	6	37	6	1	22	29	6
20	21	Day's length 10 h. 38 m.	6	38	6	2	17	thighs	7
21	22	D's Latitude 5 : 17 S.	6	39	6	3	15	27	8
22	23	Some	6	41	6	4	13	knees	9
23	24	John Hancock, Esq; first Gov. rain, of Commonwealth	6	43	6	5	5	25	10
24	25	and cool. Massachusetts, 1780.	6	44	6	5	57	legs	11
25	26	20th Sunday past Trinity. Fair	6	45	6	6	42	20	10
26	27	weather. Derry Fair.	6	46	6	7	27	feet	1
27	28	General Assembly S. K.	6	47	6	8	9	15	2
28	29		6	48	6	8	51	27	4
29	30		6	50	6	9	31	head	4
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most care not to let the least word drop from him, which might intimate that there were any such creatures in the world as women; or such things as desires or passions, particularly that of love. In this solitude he instructed his mind in things proportionable to his age. Having attained his fifth year, he taught him the names of flowers and animals; talked to him about the little birds they heard and saw; and would every now and then intermix these infantine discourses, which were very pleasing to the child, with some account of the devil, who, he told him, was an ill shaped, hideous creature: And indeed the first lesson which children are generally taught, is fear. Being now ten years of age, things of a more deep

W. Calendar, Weather, &c. r. O. S. F. Sea. D's pl. r. D's.

5	All Saints.	6	54	6	11	34	15	D rife
6	D's Latitude 2 : 42 N.	6	55	6	12	18	26	5 42
7	Cold and rain.	6	56	6	1	6	arms	6 24
7	21st Sunday past Trinity.	6	58	6	1	55	21	7 7
2	Powder Plot.	6	59	6	2	45	breast	8 1
3	Clear.	7	0	5	3	35	16	8 56
4	D's Latitude 5 : 15 N.	7	1	5	4	25	28	10 4
5	Cloudy, and	7	2	5	5	16	heart	11 42
6	3 ^{rs} rise 8 h. 20 m.	7	4	5	6	6	26	Morn.
7	looks like rain.	7	5	5	6	55	belly	0 19
7	22d Sunday past Trinity.	7	6	5	7	42	24	1 26
2	D's Latitude 3 : 37 N.	3	7	5	8	29	reins	2 45
3	Fair weather.	7	9	5	9	21	22	4 5
4	Perigée. Ecc. 632.	7	10	5	10	14	secrets	5 25
5	High Tides.	7	11	5	11	11	22	5 sets
6	It may snow.	7	12	5	12	8	thighs	5 27
7	Twilight begins 5 h. 30 m.	7	13	5	1	5	22	6 30
8	23d Sunday past Trinity.	7	14	5	2	3	knees	7 33
9	Clear.	7	15	5	2	56	19	8 26
10	Battle Fort Washington 1776.	7	16	5	3	54	legs	9 18
11	Day's length 9 h. 36 m.	7	17	5	4	39	16	10 29
12	D's Latitude 4 : 17 S.	7	18	5	5	28	feet	11 40
13	St. Clement.	7	19	5	6	8	12	Morn.
14	Rain.	7	20	5	6	48	24	0 44
15	24th Sunday past Trinity.	7	20	5	7	48	head	1 47
16	Twilight ends 6 h. 20 m.	7	21	5	8	8	17	2 50
17	D's Latitude 0 : 24 N.	7	22	5	8	50	29	3 53
18	Rain	7	23	5	9	32	neck	4 56
19	Apoge.	7	24	5	10	16	24	5 59
20	or snow.	7	24	5	10	16	24	5 59
20	St. Andrew.	7	25	5	11	0	arms	D rife

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XII Mo. DECEMBER, hath 31 Days. 178

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and abstruse nature were brought upon the carpet, as he revealed to him some few particulars relating to the other world; but not a word about women; at fifteen, he taught him every thing his mind was susceptible of; gave him an idea of the Creator of things, but forbore to speak of the most lovely part of works; that topic would be unseasonable to persons devoted to a life of solitude, and it would be idle to give them the least notion of it. Being now twenty, his father thought proper to take him with him to a neighboring city; for the old man was very much oppressed with the infirmity of his years, and scarce able to walk a bitther, to procure the necessaries of life; upon which he

M^o W. Calendar, Weather, &c. r. ☉. F. Sea. D's pl. r. D's

1	7	Day's length 9 h. 10 m.	7	25	5	11	48	18	4	57
2	G	Advent Sunday.	7	26	5	12	38	breast	5	51
3	2	3 ^o south 12 h. 40 m.	7	27	5	1	28	13	6	47
4	3	Very cold.	7	28	5	2	18	26	7	41
5	4	Snow.	7	28	5	3	9	heart	8	41
6	5	Night's length 14 h. 58 m.	7	29	5	3	56	22	9	57
7	6	D's Latitude 3 : 53 N.	7	29	5	4	42	belly	11	11
8	7	Cold.	7	30	5	5	31	19	Morn.	
9	G	2d Sunday in Advent.	7	30	5	6	20	roins	0	28
10	2	Battle at Gwin's Island 1775.	7	31	5	7	9	18	1	45
11	3	Day's length 8 h. 56 m.	7	32	5	7	58	secret:	3	6
12	4	● Perigé. Ecc. 542.	7	33	5	8	50	16	4	15
13	5	Snow.	7	33	5	9	43	thigh:	5	7
14	6	Pretty full Tides.	7	33	5	10	40	15	6	4
15	7	Clear.	7	33	5	11	38	knees	D	fe
16	G	3d Sunday in Advent.	7	33	5	12	37	14	5	41
17	2	D's Latitude 5 : 2 S.	7	34	5	1	34	28	6	51
18	3	Snow.	7	34	5	2	21	legs	7	51
19	4	Day's length 8 h. 52 m.	7	34	5	3	7	24	9	7
20	5	Clear.	7	34	5	3	52	feet	10	17
21	6	St. Thomas.	7	34	5	4	34	19	11	22
22	7	D's Latitude 1 : 48 S.	7	34	5	5	17	head	Morn.	
23	G	4th Sunday in Advent.	7	34	5	5	59	15	0	27
24	2	Very cold, and snow.	7	34	3	6	41	27	1	32
25	3	CHRISTMAS. ● Apogé.	7	34	5	7	25	neck	2	38
26	4	Battle at Trenton, 1776.	7	34	5	8	9	22	3	44
27	5	St. John.	7	34	5	8	56	arms	4	51
28	6	Innocents.	7	34	5	9	43	16	5	51
29	7	Twilight ends 6 h. 15 m.	7	33	5	10	28	28	6	51
30	G	Sunday past Christmas.	7	33	5	11	13	breast	D	rises
31	2	Sylvester B. of Rome.	7	33	5	12	4	22	5	20

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A CONSTITUTION or FRAME of GOVERNMENT for the COMMONWEALTH of MASSACHUSETTS.
 PREAMBLE. THE end of the institution, maintenance and administration of government, is to secure the existence of the body-politic; to protect it; and to furnish the individuals who compose it, with the power of enjoying, in safety and tranquility, their natural rights, and the blessings of life: And whenever these great objects are not obtained, the people have a right to alter the government, and to take measures necessary for their safety, prosperity and happiness.—The body-politic is formed by a voluntary association of individuals: It is a social compact, by which the whole people covenant with each citizen, and each citizen with the whole people, that all shall be governed by certain laws for the common good. It is the duty of the people, therefore, in framing a Constitution of Government, to provide for an equitable mode of making laws, as well as for an impartial interpretation, and a faithful execution of them; that every man may, at all times, find his security in them.—We, therefore, the people of Massachusetts, acknowledging, with grateful hearts, the goodness of the Great Legislator of the Universe, in affording us, in the course of His providence, an opportunity, deliberately and peaceably, without fraud, violence or surprize, of entering into an original, explicit and solemn

compact with each other; and of forming a new Constitution of Civil Government for ourselves and posterity; and devoutly imploring His direction in so interesting a design, do agree upon, ordain and establish, the following DECLARATION of RIGHTS and Frame of Government, as the CONSTITUTION of the COMMONWEALTH of Massachusetts.

PART THE FIRST.

A DECLARATION of the RIGHTS of the INHABITANTS of the COMMONWEALTH of MASSACHUSETTS.

Art. **A**LL men are born free and equal, and have certain natural, essential and unalienable rights; among which may be reckoned the right of enjoying and defending their lives and liberties; that of acquiring, possessing and protecting property; in fine, that of seeking and obtaining their safety and happiness.—2. It is the right as well as the duty of all men in society, publicly, and at stated seasons, to worship the SUPREME BEING, the great creator and preserver of the universe. And no subject shall be hurt, molested or restrained in his person, liberty or estate, for worshipping God in the manner and season most agreeable to the dictates of his own conscience; or for his religious profession or sentiments; provided he doth not disturb the public peace, or obstruct others in their religious worship.—3. As the happiness of a people, and the good order and preservation of civil government essentially depend upon piety, religion and morality; and as these cannot be generally diffused through a community, but by the institution of the public worship of God, and of public instructions in piety, religion and morality: Therefore, to promote their happiness, and to secure the good order and preservation of their government, the people of this Commonwealth have a right to invest their legislature with power to authorise and require, and the legislature shall, from time to time, authorise and require the several towns, parishes, precincts and other bodies politic, or religious societies, to make suitable provision at their own expence for the institution of the public worship of God, and for the support and maintenance of public protestant teachers of piety, religion and morality, in all cases where such provision shall not be made voluntarily.—And the people of this Commonwealth have also a right to, and do invest their legislature with authority to enjoin upon all the subjects an attendance upon the instructions of the public teachers aforesaid, at stated times and seasons, if there be any on whose instructions they can conscientiously and conveniently attend.—Provided notwithstanding, that the several towns, parishes, precincts and other bodies-politic, or religious societies, shall, at all times, have the exclusive right of electing their public teachers, and of contracting with them for their support and maintenance.—And all monies paid by the subject to the support of public worship, and of the public teachers aforesaid, shall, if he require it, be uniformly applied to the support of the public teacher or

teachers of his own religious sect or denomination, provided there be any on whose instructions he attends; otherwise it may be paid towards the support of the teacher or teachers of the parish or precinct in which the said monies are raised.—And every denomination of christians, demeaning themselves peaceably, and as good subjects of the Commonwealth, shall be equally under the protection of the law: And no subordination of any one sect or denomination to another shall ever be established by law.—4. The people of this Commonwealth have the sole and exclusive right of governing themselves as a free, sovereign and independent state; and do, and forever hereafter shall, exercise and enjoy every power, jurisdiction and right, which is not, or may not hereafter, be by them expressly delegated to the United States of America, in Congress assembled.—5. All power residing originally in the people, and being derived from them, the several magistrates and officers of government, vested with authority, whether legislative, executive or judicial, are their substitutes and agents, and are at all times accountable to them.—6. No man, nor corporation, or association of men, have any other title to obtain advantages, or particular and exclusive privileges, distinct from those of the community, than what arises from the consideration of services rendered to the public; and this title being in nature neither hereditary, nor transmissible to children or descendents, or relations by blood, the idea of a man born a magistrate, lawgiver or judge, is absurd and unnatural.—7. Government is instituted for the common good; for the protection, safety, prosperity and happiness of the people; and not for the profit, honor or private interest of any one man, family or class of men: Therefore the people alone have an incontestible, unalienable and indefeasible right to institute government; and to reform, alter or totally change the same, when their protection, safety, prosperity and happiness require it.—8. In order to prevent those, who are vested with authority, from becoming oppressors, the people have a right, at such periods and in such manner as they shall establish by their frame of government, to cause their public officers to return to private life; and to fill up vacant places by certain and regular elections and appointments.—9. All elections ought to be free; and all the inhabitants of this Commonwealth, having such qualifications as they shall establish by their frame of government, have an equal right to elect officers, and to be elected for public employments.—10. Each individual of the society has a right to be protected by it in the enjoyment of his life, liberty and property, according to standing laws. He is obliged, consequently, to contribute his share to the expence of this protection; to give his personal service, or an equivalent, when necessary: But no part of the property of any individual, can, with justice, be taken from him, or applied to public uses, without his own consent, or that of the representa-

tive body of the people: In fine, the people of this Commonwealth are not controulable by any other laws, than those to which their constitutional representative body have given their consent. And whenever the public exigencies require, that the property of any individual should be appropriated to public uses, he shall receive a reasonable compensation therefor.—11. Every subject of the Commonwealth ought to find a certain remedy, by having recourse to the laws, for all injuries or wrongs which he may receive in his person, property or character. He ought to obtain right and justice freely, and without being obliged to purchase it; compleatly, and without any denial; promptly, and without delay; conformably to the laws.—12. No subject shall be held to answer for any crime or offence, until the same is fully and plainly, substantially and formally, described to him; or be compelled to accuse, or furnish evidence against himself. And every subject shall have a right to produce all proofs, that may be favorable to him; to meet the witnesses against him face to face, and to be fully heard in his defence by himself or his council, at his election. And no subject shall be arrested, imprisoned, despoiled or deprived of his property, immunities or privileges, put out of the protection of the law, exiled or deprived of his life, liberty or estate, but by the judgment of his peers, or the law of the land.—And the legislature shall not make any law, that shall subject any person to a capital or infamous punishment, excepting for the government of the army and navy, without trial by jury.—13. In criminal prosecutions, the verification of facts in the vicinity where they happen, is one of the greatest securities of the life, liberty and property of the citizen.—14. Every subject has a right to be secure from all unreasonable searches and seizures of his person, his houses, his papers, and all his possessions. All warrants, therefore, are contrary to this right, if the cause or foundation of them be not previously supported by oath or affirmation; and if the order in the warrant to a civil officer, to make search in suspected places, or to arrest one or more suspected persons, or to seize their property, be not accompanied with a special designation of the persons or objects of search, arrest or seizure: And no warrant ought to be issued but in cases, and with the formalities prescribed by the laws.—15. In all controversies concerning property, and in all suits between two or more persons, except in cases in which it has heretofore been other-ways used and practiced, the parties have a right to a trial by a jury; and this method of procedure shall be held sacred, unless in causes arising on the high-seas, and such as relate to mariners wages, the legislature shall hereafter find it necessary to alter it.—16. The liberty of the press is essential to the security of freedom in a state: It ought not, therefore, to be restrained in this Commonwealth.—17. The people have a right to keep and to bear arms

or the common defence. And as in time of peace armies are dangerous to liberty, they ought not to be maintained without the consent of the legislature; and the military power shall always be held in an exact subordination to the civil authority, and be governed by it.—18. A frequent recurrence to the fundamental principles of the constitution, and a constant adherence to those of piety, justice, moderation, temperance, industry and frugality, are absolutely necessary to preserve the advantages of liberty, and to maintain a free government: The people ought, consequently, to have a particular attention to all those principles in the choice of their officers and representatives: And they have a right to require of their law-givers and magistrates, an exact and constant observance of them, in formation and execution of the laws necessary for the good administration of the Commonwealth.—19. The people have a right, in an orderly and peaceable manner, to assemble to consult upon the common good; give instructions to their representatives; and to request of the legislative body, by the way of addresses, petitions or remonstrances, redress of the wrongs done them, and of the grievances they suffer.—20. The power of suspending the laws, or the execution of the laws, ought never to be exercised but by the legislature, or by authority derived from it, to be exercised in such particular cases only as the legislature shall expressly provide for.—21. The freedom of deliberation, speech and debate, in either house of the legislature, is so essential to the rights of the people, that it cannot be the foundation of any accusation or prosecution, action or complaint, in any other court or place whatsoever.—22. The legislature ought frequently to assemble for the redress of grievances, for correcting, strengthening and confirming the laws, and for making new laws, as the common good may require.—23. No subsidy, charge, tax, impost or duties, ought to be established, fixed, laid or levied, under any pretext whatsoever, without the consent of the people, or their representatives in the legislature.—24. Laws made to punish for actions done before the existence of such laws, and which have not been declared crimes by preceding laws, are unjust, oppressive and inconsistent with the fundamental principles of a free government.—25. No subject ought, in any case, or in any time, to be declared guilty of treason or felony by the legislature.—26. No magistrate or court of law, shall demand excessive bail or sureties, impose excessive fines, or inflict cruel or unusual punishments.—27. In time of peace no soldier ought to be quartered in any house without the consent of the owner; and in time of war such quarters ought not to be made but by the civil magistrate, in a manner ordained by the legislature.—28. No person can in any case be subjected to law-martial, or to any penalties or pains, by virtue of that law, except those employed in the army or navy.

A PROCLAMATION, by the Society of Good Sense, in LONDON.

WHEREAS several ladies of the strictest virtue have been attacked and insulted by Gentlemen of libertine principles, being to the latter mistaking the former from the similitude of (their dress) for Ladies of Pleasure, it was resolved at the last meeting of the Society of Good Sense, nem. con. (the better to secure the ladies of unblemished character, and true delicacy, from any indecent assault, as well as rectify the mistakes of the libertine gentry) that no woman should be deemed a W—e after the 25th of March next ensuing, unless she has one or more of the following badges or marks of her profession: A head-dress exceeding four inches perpendicular height; ear curls, a fashion first adopted by the town ladies; a bonnet, whose caul shall be large enough to receive a padding exceeding ten pounds weight; an hat, answering the purpose of an umbrella, to screen the face from the sun and prevent the artificial features from dissolving; a face or neck with the beautiful colors of the lily and the rose, advantageously incorporated to resemble nature, a fascinating charm; a transparent handkerchief to show the snowy heaving breast, an admirable bait for the fishy Fribbles; patches; a full head-dress, with a dishabille Prussian jacket, or bed-gown, &c. a supplicating mode; long-quartered shoes or pumps, with high heels, not to exceed four inches round at bottom, with the buckles on the toes; or, an affected gait, with an impudent tongue and brazen face.

N. B. The greater the number of badges a lady wears, the higher is her rank in her profession. By order of the Society,
Common Honesty, Civil Policy, Clerks.

WHEN the Planets are in conjunction, they manifest the transcendency of actions this year in different parts of the world; scarce any nation or people think themselves secure; all men wondering where the storm will at last fall. Some are vexed by sea, some by land; a general confusion in most nations appears, the soldier against the gownman, the vulgar man against them both. The seas swell with prepared navies; at land numerous forces march and range at their pleasure. *Latrones capiunt census mercatorum*; the merchant is at a loss every where. *Guerræ depredationes & combustiones in multis terris*: Wars, depredations of military men into several countries, so also combustions. The friendship of one prince fails another. Heaven blefs the American affairs in all parts, and grant seasonable weather and plenty of all kinds of grain in mercy to the poor. Manyfold divisions in councils, persons of eminence questioned, as reformation is intended, &c. *Quando* performed, conspiracies discovered, church-differences, death of a great Divine.

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