

**Charles Swift to Robert E. Griffiths, Philadelphia, 18 October 1787
(excerpt)**

In my letter by the *Pigou* I made a few observations respecting our Convention, and I should have enclosed you all their proceedings, together with the political opinions published since pro and con, but from an apprehension that you would receive them by the packet before mine could arrive and be put to an unnecessary postage. In this country the proposed Constitution has, I believe, a majority of friends amongst the rich and wealthy and amongst the extreme poor. Its enemies are chiefly among the middling class headed by a few interested placemen whose offices and profits will diminish whenever the federal government takes place. In Pennsylvania it is strongly opposed by many (not all) of what was called the Constitutional Party. I say what was called because the distinction now is "*Federal or Antifederal.*" ...

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