

William Widgery to George Thatcher, Boston, 9 February 1788 (excerpts)

you Will Excuse my neglect in answering yours of January the 9th When you Com to hear that My anxiety for proventing the New Constitution being adopted, has engaged my Time and attention for this four weeks but I am at Last Overcom by a majority of 19. in Cluding the presidant whose very Name is, an Honour to the State, for by his coming in and offering Som amendments which furnished many with Excusces to their Constituants, it was adopted to the greate Joy of all Boston, & after Taking a parting Glass at the Expencc of the Tradesmen in Boston we Desolved; one thing I mos menchen the Gallerys was very much Crouded, yet on the Desition of so important a Question as the present you might have heard a Copper fall on the Gallery floor, their was Such a profound Silance: on thirs Day, we got throu all our Business...

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