

St. John de Crevecoeur to James Bowdoin, New York, 28 June 1788 (excerpt)

I have Recv'd long Since your Kind Letter of the Second April Together With the debates of your Convention Concerning the New Constitution proposed for the united States, for which I beg you'd receive my thanks Tho' at this Late hour.—it has afforded me pleasure & amusement; nine States have at Last adopted it, God Grant We may Soon hear that the Majority of the Good people of Virginia are become federalists—Some people Seem to doub[t] it, We have as yet no Certain News—the Convention of this State is now Sitting as you well know; & it is not probable they will accept it; They have Carried Too far the deceptions a few Wicked People amongst us have to reproach themselves with that banefull Work; I am Told that next Week Congress will proceed To The appointing a day for the Election of the Great President, So that Now there are Nine States this will I believe be in Earnest....

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