



# France and the American Revolution in the Newberry Collection

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## Leading up to the American Revolution

*Journal of the Proceedings of the Congress, Held at Philadelphia, September 5, 1774.* Philadelphia: W. & T. Bradford, 1774. Issued before the printing of the petition to the king. **Call #:** **Case K 1831 .918**

*The Justice and Necessity of Taxing the American Colonies, Demonstrated.* London: J. Almon, 1766. Deals with the Stamp Act of 1765. **Call #:** **Case J 5456 .46**

## American Sermons

Adams, Zabdiel. *The Evil Designs of Men Made Subservient by God to the Public Good, Particularly Illustrated in the Rise, Progress and Conclusion of the American War.* Boston: Benjamin Edes & Sons, 1783. Our copy was bound by Zaehnsdorf, a well-known, 19<sup>th</sup>-century bookbinder, and previously owned by Frank C. Deering (1866-1939) of the family who own the Deering Lumber, Inc. (other items of Deering's are also mentioned in this guide). **Call #:** **Case 3A 1028**

Duché, Jacob. *The American Vine; A Sermon Preached in Christ-Church Philadelphia, before the Honourable Continental Congress, July 20<sup>th</sup>, 1775, by Jacob Duché.* Philadelphia: J. Humphreys, 1775. The Newberry has the first edition first and second issues of this sermon. **Call #:** **Case 3A 1205 (first issue) and Case 4A 1451 (second issue)**

Duché, Jacob. *The Duty of Standing Fast in Our Spiritual and Temporal Liberties: A Sermon, Preached in Christ-Church, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1775, before the First Battalion of the City and Liberties of*

*Philadelphia, and Now Published at Their Request.* Philadelphia: J. Humphreys, Junior, 1775. The Newberry also has a London re-print (Call #: Case J 5831 .244). Duché acted as first chaplain to the Continental Congress and ultimately fled to England because he took a stand against the revolution. The Newberry owns a few titles by Duché, including a print copy of his famous sermon, "The American Vine" (you can find more on our copies of this in this section). **Call #:** **Case folio E297 .D82 1775**

Payson, Phillips. *A Memorial of the Lexington Battle, and Some Signal Interpositions of Providence in the American Revolution.* Boston: Benjamin Edes & Sons, 1782. Our copy was bound by Zaehnsdorf, a well-known, 19<sup>th</sup>-century bookbinder, and previously owned by Frank C. Deering (1866-1939) of the family who own the Deering Lumber, Inc. (other items of Deering's are also mentioned in this guide). **Call #:** **Case 4A 1156**

The Newberry also holds many reproductions of American sermons from this time period that can be requested and viewed in the reading rooms.

## Printed in England

The Newberry's collections offer many examples of British perspectives on the American Revolution and British reprintings of volumes that originally came from America. Here are just a couple:

Lee, Arthur. *An Appeal to the Justice and Interests of the People of Great Britain, in the Present Disputes with America*. London: J. Almon, 1775. Our copy previously owned by Frank C. Deering (1866-1939). **Call #: Case 4A 1208**

Pitt, William. *Lord Chatham's Speech on the 20<sup>th</sup> of January 1775*. London: T. Freeman, 1775. Dealing with the motion for an address to the king on the removal of military forces from Boston. **Call #: Case J 5831 .6962**

## French Materials from the Period of the American Revolution

Cerisier, Antoine-Marie. *Le destin de l'Amérique*. London [i.e. Paris]: J Bew, [1780?]. Published anonymously. Not translated from the English and, apparently, not printed in London. False imprint information. **Call #: J 54555 .473**

Raynal, Abbé. *Révolution de l'Amérique*. Stockholm: Charles Stolpe, 1781. The Newberry has two other copies with the imprint information "Londres: L. Davis, 1781" (Call #: Case F 832 .735) and "London: Printed for Lockyer Davis,

MDCCLXXXI" (Call #: 5456 .87502). **Call #: Wing ZP 752 .S875**

Raynal, Abbé. *Tableau et révolutions des colonies anglaises dans l'Amérique septentrionale*. Amsterdam: La Campagne des libraires, 1781. The Newberry has a few volumes by or about Raynal, a writer and intellectual very interested in the American and French Revolutions. **Call #: Case 3A 1382**

## Treasures from the Vault

Crublier D'Opterre, Henry. *Siège d'York en Amérique 1781*. D'Opterre served in the French Army under the command of Comte de Rochambeau in the American Revolution, supervising the surveying and mapping of British and American fortifications. **Call #: VAULT Case MS 6A 43**

Hilliard d'Auberteuil, Michel-René. *Essais historiques et politiques sur les Anglo-Américains*. Illustrations and images, including portraits of John Hancock, George Washington, Benjamin Franklin, and William Pitt and hand-colored maps. **Call #: VAULT Ayer 150.3 .E7 H6 1782**

Langan, Patrick. Letter [manuscript]: Montreal, to Sir John Johnson, 1784 Nov. 15. From after the American Revolution, but this manuscript concerns important players, including Sir John Johnson (an American loyalist who organized raids and battles from Canada along the New

York border) and the Marquis de Lafayette. **Call #: VAULT box Ayer MS 489**

Lewis, Lieutenant Colonel. Letter [manuscript]: Philadelphia, 1781. Letter from a Shawnee Indian to an unidentified Revolutionary War general, recommending his interpreter, Nicholas Jordan, "to attend an Indian Warrior Called Paul appointed an Indian Chief by the Count of Rouchambeau." **Call #: VAULT box Ayer MS 513**

*A List of All the Officers of the Army*. [London]: War-Office, 1781. Annotations from previous owner, General Alexander Leslie (1731-1794). Leslie, as an officer in the British Army, provides notes on hundreds of other British officers who served during the American Revolutionary War, including whether the officers were "dead" or "killed." **Call #: VAULT Ruggles 438**

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American Revolution (1775-1783)

United States – History – Revolution, 1775-1783

Sermons, American (you can then limit by date or date range by clicking on "Change Limits" toward the top of the results page)

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