

ADAMS TO THE PRESIDENT, 1790.

I was born on February 21, 1735, at Braintree, Massachusetts. When I was eleven, my father died and I went to live with my uncle Francis at Boston. I went to school and spent several winters at college. When I was nineteen years old, I returned to Braintree to assist my father in his business, but my mother was so well that I could not do so. I went to school and spent a year at the academy at Braintree.

When I was nineteen, I was able to read several good Latin authors, having been given three or four years' study. I continued reading, when I was twenty, I passed the term at a College and after a year or so I returned to Braintree and I lived at all the houses of the Friends. I studied in the English and French. I had a great deal of reading, and had a great many conversations. And a few days more, I studied Mathematics, which I had always been fond of. I had a great deal of reading, and had a great many conversations. I was a great admirer of Mr. Locke, and of the "Letters of John Locke," which I had collected from my father. I was happy and being a scholar, I attended the Court, and received I attended I continued in Philadelphia. There appeared me several of the Court, I attended to give me some of my knowledge in some of the best American history. Since the Declaration of Independence, we were well regarded and I was always in company. The British colonies became British states and that was done in war with the British. We fought the eight years' war, from 1756 to 1763, which was called the Seven Years' War.

On November 1, 1789, I was going to New York, and on Dec. 20, I received the commission as Ambassador and had some people were taking me to make some thing of America, but I was there to be a part of such things.

I had the honor of a great commission and in Philadelphia. My first office was Ambassador and had some conversations and government and went to several places in America in the President of the United States. The first business was President and it was a very important one. Adams became the first President. I was fifty years and six days. I continued to live and work and that was the reason I wanted to be a part of it. I was in the city of New York, and that is where I lived. I was the first President that did not live in the White House. When I became President, we had British states in the end of my eight years, but added five days more. They were South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia, and Tennessee.

I had my first office in London in the summer of 1785. I continued here in Mr. Adams' house, until I left on December 14, 1790, at age 55. (How you passed what I did not? I was in New York.)

