

dition laws, and the raising of the army ; yet he never yielded a moment to the rancor of party spirit, nor permitted the difference of opinion to interfere with his private friendships. He presided twice successively in the college of electors in Virginia, and twice voted for a president, whose political principles coincided with his own. After a short but very excruciating sickness he died June 8, 1806, aged 80. It was supposed, that he was poisoned ; but the person suspected was acquitted by a jury of his countrymen. By his last will and testament he bequeathed his valuable library and philosophical apparatus to his friend Mr. Jefferson, and distributed the remainder of his little property among the grand children of his sister, and the slaves, whom he had set free.

YALE, Elihu, the principal benefactor of Yale college, was born at New Haven in 1648, and at the age of ten years went to England, & about the year 1678 to the East Indies, where he acquired a large estate, was made gov. of fort St. George, and married an Indian lady of fortune. After his return to London he was chosen governor of the East India company, and made those donations to the college in his native town, which induced the trustees to bestow on it the name of Yale. He died in Wales July 8, 1721.

YATES, Robert, chief justice of N. York, was born at Schenectady in Jan. 1738, and became eminent as a lawyer in Albany. In 1776 and 1777 he was chairman of the committee for military operations. Under the constitution of the state, which he assisted in framing in 1777, he was appointed a judge of the supreme court. He was chief justice from 1790 till 1798. Of the convention, which formed the federal constitution, he was a member. He died Sept. 9, 1801. For his many virtues he was esteemed, and respected as an upright, learned judge, and an accomplished scholar.

YEATES, Jasper, judge, a patriot of the revolution, was a member of Lancaster county committee of correspondence, Penns., in 1774, and of the convention, which ratified the constitution of the

United States in 1788. He was a judge of the supreme court of Penns., from 1791 till his death at Lancaster, March 14, 1817. He was a man of sound judgment and great industry, and faithfulness in his office. He published Reports of cases in the supreme court of Penns., 1817.

YOUNGMAN, John George, a Moravian missionary, was first employed among the Mohegans in Connecticut, and afterwards among the Delawares on the Susquehanna and in the western country. He died at Bethlehem in July 1808, aged 87.

YOUNGS, John, the first minister in Southhold, L. I., had been a minister in Hingham, England, but came to this country with a part of his church in 1640 and in Oct. commenced the settlement of S. He died in 1672, aged 73. His son, John, colonel and sheriff of the county, died in 1688, aged 74. His brother, Benjamin, and others of the name were judges of the common pleas.

ZEISBERGER, David, a Moravian missionary among the Indians of N. America, was a native of Moravia, in Germany, whence his parents emigrated to Hernhut in Upper Lusatia for the sake of religious liberty. He was born in 1721. In 1738 he came to Georgia, where some of his brethren had begun a settlement, that they might preach the gospel to the Creeks. Thence he removed to Pennsylvania, and assisted in the commencement of the settlements of Bethlehem and Nazareth. From 1746 he was for 62 years a missionary among the Indians. Perhaps no man ever preached the gospel so long among them, and amidst so many trials and hardships. He was one of the oldest white settlers in the state of Ohio. In the last 40 years of his life he only paid two visits to his friends in the Atlantic states. His last journey to Bethlehem was in 1781. He died at Goshen, on the river Muskingum, in Ohio, Nov. 17, 1809, aged 87. He was a man of small stature, with a cheerful countenance, of a cool, intrepid spirit, with a good understanding and sound