

Five Minute Chats on Our Presidents

By JAMES MORGAN

JOHN ADAMS AND ABBY

1735—Oct. 19, John Adams born, Braintree, Mass.
1773—Graduated at Harvard.
1774—Married.
1774-77—In Congress.
1775-85—On Mission to France.
1789-91—Minister to England.

A SCHOOLGIRL complained that American history was so "mixed up with Adamses" that she couldn't tell one from the other. For this most distinguished family in our national biography lived in America one hundred and fifty years before it broke into fame.

When the engagement was announced of John Adams of Braintree, Mass., to the daughter of Paulson Smith at the adjoining town of Wrentham, people were shocked that Abby should marry so beneath her station. Was she not a Quincy and a Norton? And John, the son of a small farmer, was put down to fourteenth place among his twenty-four classmates, when Harvard graduates were made up according to social rank. After that he taught school in Wrentham to get enough money to study law, and the strictest of the Puritans looked on lawyers as usqudy.

Father-in-Law Smith was game and craftier says that he preached down



Abigail Adams
As glowing parishioners from this well-known fact. "John's wife rather than the father of the nation."

the Puritanism of the colony and of our president's wives, her published letters forming a delightfully human history. When John joined the fathers of the republic in the great work of setting up the first republican government the world ever saw, this mother of the republic had to stay home to rock the cradle, cook and patch for four little Adamses and to tend the farm. Milling and churning, knitting and darning, pecking and prying, tending and saving she supported the family, inspired her husband in his progress to the presidency, and reared a son to follow in the father's footsteps. To Abigail Adams alone belongs the glory of having been the wife of our president and the mother of another.

In the year it fell to Adams to do picket duty in 1776. Congress sent him to France with a daughter-in-law to get in the bottom of her stomach long plenty of food or some of other suitable substance to eat his supper. For his own sake no protection was proposed in view of the

British capturing a vessel of the rebel navy on July 4, 1776. Nevertheless, he took with him a young son, his ten-year-old son, John Quincy. On the next voyage he carried only John Quincy, but also his second son, and they were distinguished of the world of Spain.

After five long anxious years of separation from husband and children, the mother herself sailed to Europe, and the pioneer American woman to appear at the Court of St. James was Abigail, the daughter of Braintree. Her presentation costume, according to her own description, was white lisle-stuff, "covered with white crepe, embroidered with lilac ribbon and black-point lace, over a hoop of enormous extent, and with a narrow train three yards long; also cuffs, cuffs, broad lace ruffles and three rows with long lace lapetta and two white plumes."

"You will be stared at a great deal," the Duke of Devon kindly warned the Adamses. On the contrary, every back in the court circle was turned upon the Yankee rebels and Queen Charlotte received Abigail with "contempt and scorn."

A man can defend himself, says Abigail's husband did right manfully when it fell to him to be the first independent American to stand before the throne of England. George III venturing to infer from his supposed dislike of France a preference for England, his one-time subject frankly corrected the king: "I must avow to your majesty that I have no attachment but to my own country."

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Have Long and Short Lives.

Quarrows can live to be forty years old. A horse does not live much more than twenty-seven years. Cats are to be about thirteen years old. The tortoise is supposed to live to be between 100 and 120 years old. Some turtles can live forever, but of course that has not been proved, though certainly they live to an exceedingly great age. Both an eagle and a crow have been known to live to be 100, but the crow lives only about three years. An elephant's life span is about 100 years, and the lion's is about 20 years. It will be a good thing if we can live as long as the tortoise.

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