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Panelists

- Sandy Trenholm Collection Director
- Conroe Brooks Hercules Mulligan/James Madison, George Washington, and King George in HAMILTON
- Kevin Cline 2016 National Teacher of the Year from Frankton, Indiana

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During the Session



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Today's Documents

- Pierce Butler's notebook from the Constitutional Convention
- The First Draft of the Constitution
- The Final Version of the Constitution
- A letter from George Washington, written during the Convention
- A newspaper article detailing a "fracus" over ratification

Pierce Butler (1744–1822)

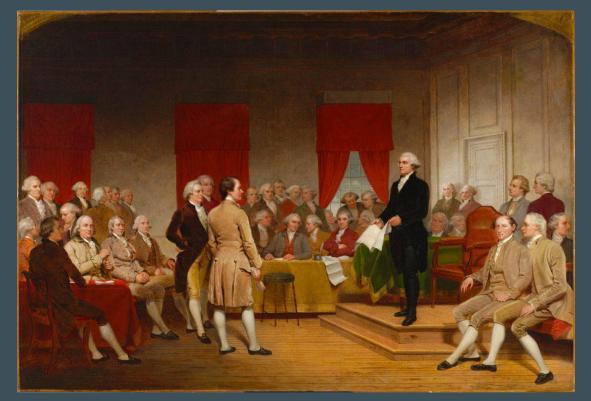




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- Born in Ireland, Butler was the third son of a baronet.
- In 1758, his parents bought him an army commission and he served in the King's 29th Regiment.
- In 1773, he sold his commission and bought land in South Carolina.
- In 1787, he served as a delegate to the Constitutional Convention.
- He befriended Aaron Burr and sheltered him for a month after Hamilton's death.
- He was one of the richest men in America when he died.

Constitutional Convention



Washington as Statesman at the Constitutional Convention, 1856, Junius Brutus Stearns, Virginia Museum of Fine Arts

- In February 1787, a call went out for a convention to amend the Articles of Confederation.
- Constitutional Convention began on May 14, 1787.
- It ended on September 17, 1787.

Pierce Butler's Notebook

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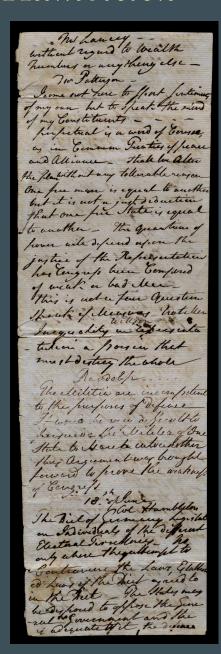
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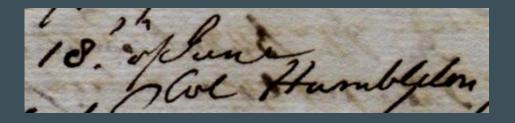
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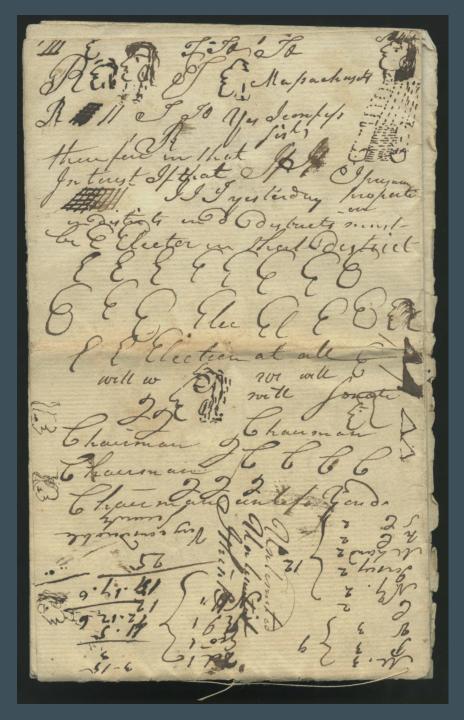
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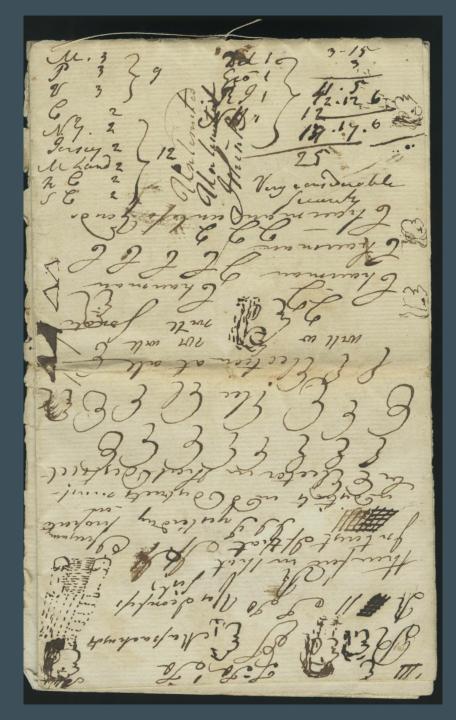


"18th of June Col. Hambleton"

"Men Collectively he says are Governed by passions. The States will be rivals of the General--No! Make it their Interest by Laws of General Equity--and they will support the General Government."

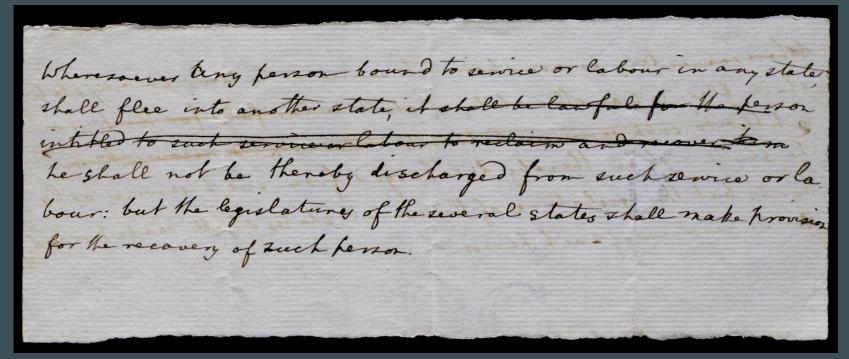


Butler's Notebook



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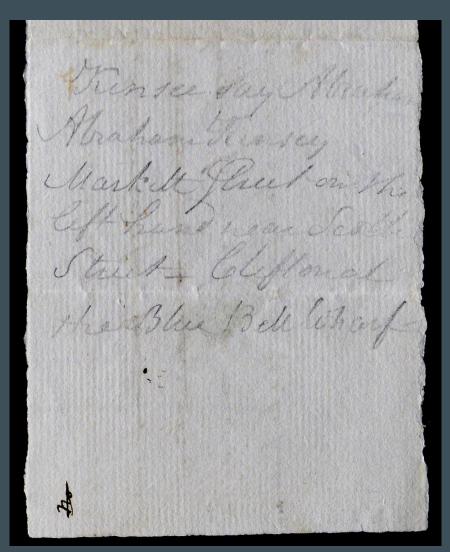
The Fugitive Slave Clause



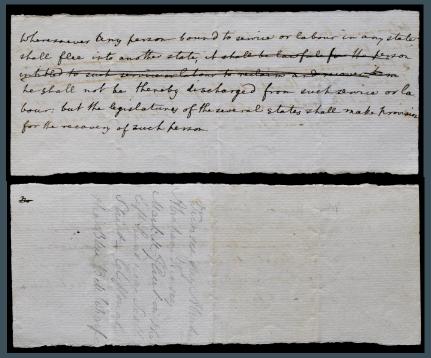
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"Wheresoever any person bound to service or labour in any state, shall flee into another state, [struck: it shall be lawful for the person intitled to such service or labour to reclaim and recover him] he shall not be thereby discharged from such service or labour: but the legislatures of the several states shall make provision for the recovery of such person."

The Fugitive Slave Clause



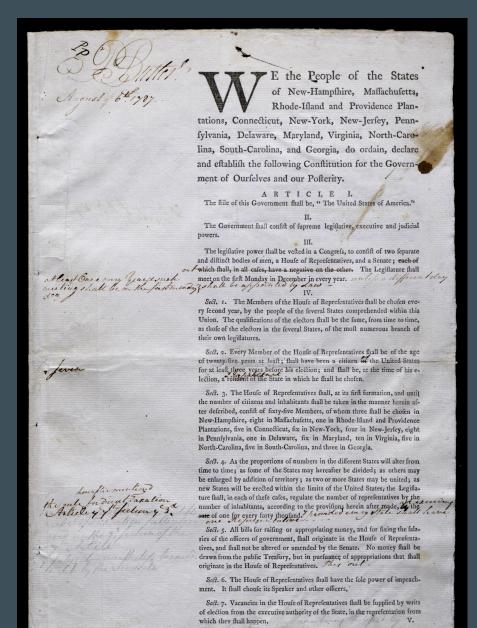
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the Blue Bell Wharf--

First Draft of the US Constitution

- July 24, 1787: Committee of Detail appointed to draft the Constitution
 - John Rutledge, South Carolina
 - o Edmund Randolph, Virginia
 - Nathaniel Gorham,
 Massachusetts
 - Oliver Ellsworth, Connecticut
 - James Wilson, Pennsylvania
- Dated August 6, 1787
- Pierce Butler's copy



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XVII.



Edits made on Page 6

- Supreme Court
- Impeachment
- Trial by jury
- Suspension of the writ of Habeas Corpus
- Credit and coinage

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Adding the Fugitive Slave Clause August 28, 1787

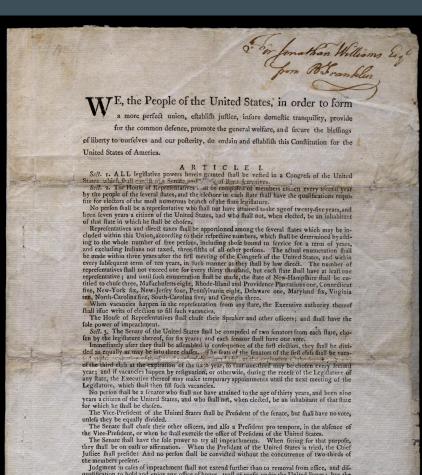
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Added to the Constitution as Article 15 on August 28, 1787.

"If any person bound to service or labor [inserted: illegible of the US] shall escape into another state, He or She shall not be discharged from such service or labor in consequence of any regulations subsisting in the State to which they escape; but shall be delivered up to the person justly Claiming their Service or labor."

Member's Copy

- It was distributed to the delegates on September 17.
- Each delegate received multiple copies to disseminate at home.
- Benjamin Franklin gave this copy to his nephew, Jonathan Williams.
- This copy resurfaced in the 1990s.



qualification to hold and enjoy any office of honor, trust or profit under the United States; but the party convicted shall nevertheless be liable and subject to indictment, trial, judgment and punishment, according to law.

Sect. 4. The times, places and manner of holding elections for fenators and reprefentatives, shall be prescribed in each state by the legislature thereof; but the Congress may at any time by law make

be preferred in each flate by the legislature thereot; but the Congrefs may at any time by law make or alter fuch regulations, except as to the places of chuling Senators.

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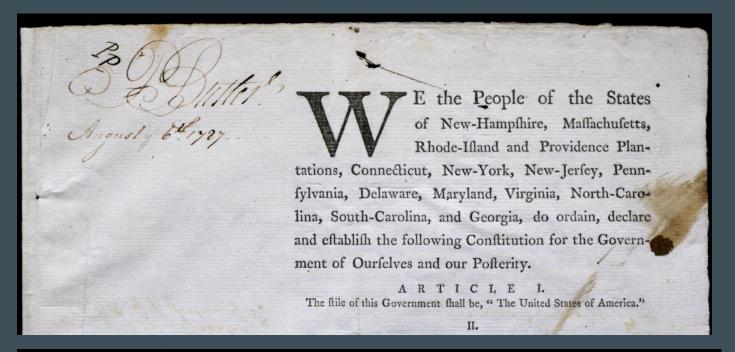
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Each houle may determine the rules of its proceedings, punifh its members for diforderly behaviour, and, with the concurrence of two-thirds, expel a member.

Each houle fhall keep a journal of its proceedings, and from time to time publish the fame, excepting fach parts as may in their judgment require feereey; and the yeas and nays of the members of either houle on any quellion shall, at the define of one-fifth of those prefent, be entered on the

Neither houfe, during the fellion of Congress, shall, without the confent of the other, adjourn for more than three days, nor to any other place than that in which the two houfes shall be slitting. Sect. 6. The fenators and representatives shall receive a compensation for their fervices, to be ascertained by law, and paid out of the treasury of the United States. They shall in all cales, except treasion, felony and breach of the peace, be privileged from surfed uning sheir attendance at

Preamble to the US Constitution

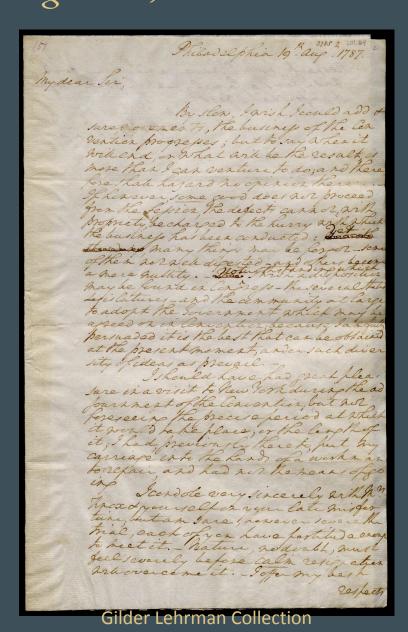


WE, the People of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common desence, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.

A R T I C L E I.

Sect. 1. A L L legislative powers here young the three tends in a Congress of the United States which shall consist of the section of the

George Washington to Henry Knox, August 19, 1787



"By slow, I wish I could add & sure, movements, the business of the Convention progresses; but to say when it will end, or what will be the result, is more than I can venture to do..."

"I wish a disposition may be found in Congress – the several States Legislatures – and the community at large to adopt the Government which may be agreed on in Convention; because I am fully persuaded it is the best that can be obtained at the present moment, under such diversity of ideas as prevail."

-4000 in NEW-YORK, July 11: ad of a letter from Poughkeepsie, dated July 8. friday last the 4th instant, a very disagreeable shappened in the city of Albany, all the partiof which, as far as they have come to my knoware-That the federalists having received the of the adoption by Virginia, last Thursday evenroposed having a procession next day; but on nonstrance of many of the antifederalists that d be disagreeable to them, they gave up the When the next day came, July 4, it was morto the federalists to observe a party of about sederalists marching in procession to a vacant the skirts of the town, where, after firing thiruns, they burnt the constitution. The fede-

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juns, they burnt the constitution. The fedewho were then collected, determined immedibhave a procession; and having arranged thembegan a march through the principal streets city; they met with no interruption till they to a narrow street in which Mr. Dennison lives lieve Green-street) when they were ordered not meed, by a large party who had collected there pose them; after a few words, a general battle place, with swords, bayonets, clubs, stones, &c. alasted for some time, both parties fighting with preatest rage, and determined obstinacy, till at he antifederalists being overpowered by numbers way and retreated, many into the house of a Mr. m, where they made a fecond stand, and others the country for safety. The federalists attacked

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bouse of Mr. Hilton, and in the victory, which soon gained, did great damage to the building. Wof the parties were severely wounded in the sid, and one poor man, a cooper, is supposed to received a mortal wound from a bayonet. Seleports are circulating about men killed, &c. we not to be relied on.

It gives me pleasure that I can add, that the

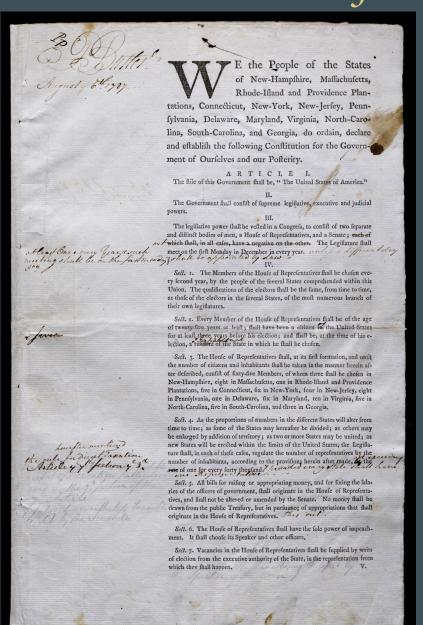
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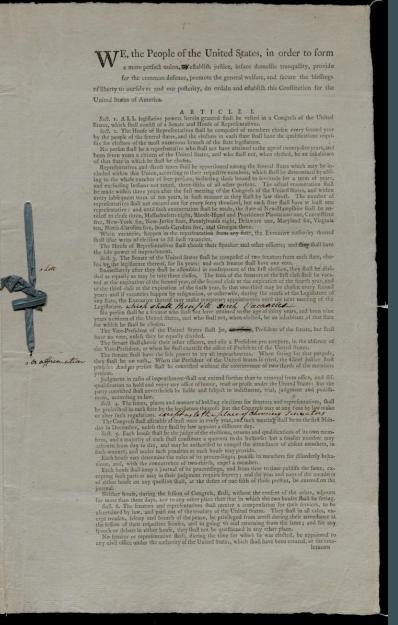
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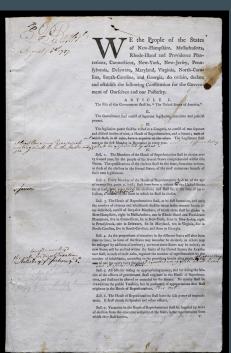
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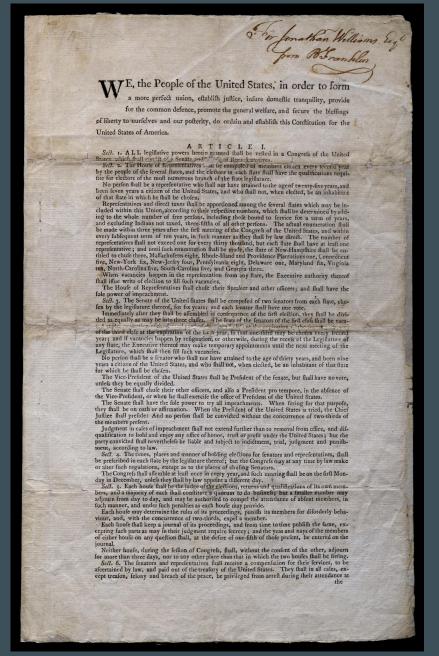
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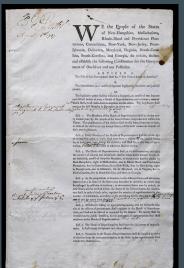
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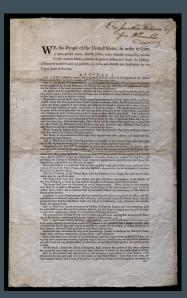


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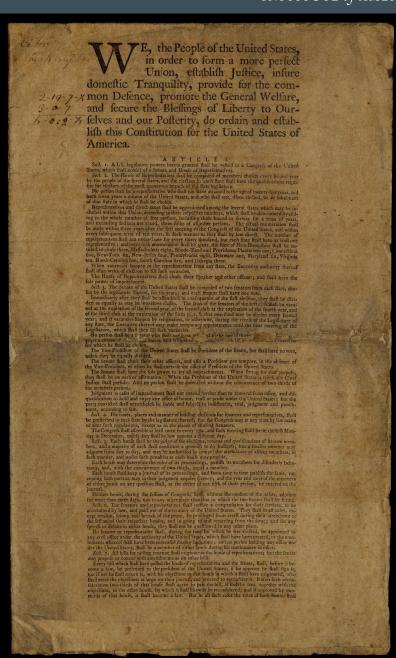
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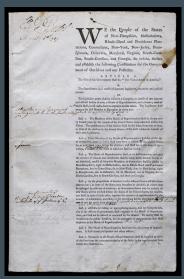




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The Pennsylvania Packet, and Daily Advertiser.

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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 1787.

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A R T I C LUE: L.

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Sect. a. The Houle of Representatives shall be composed of members chosen every second year

Note: a. The troute for representatives man necompares of members choicin every fecond year, by the people of historiest alkalized, and she decktors in each lake shall have the quisitionis requi-tise for cletters of the most numerous branch of the flate legislature. No perform that he as representative who fills into have attained spath age of twenty-five years, and been feven years a citizen of the United States, and who flath-for, when elected, he in inhabitant or that state in which he falls be choice.)

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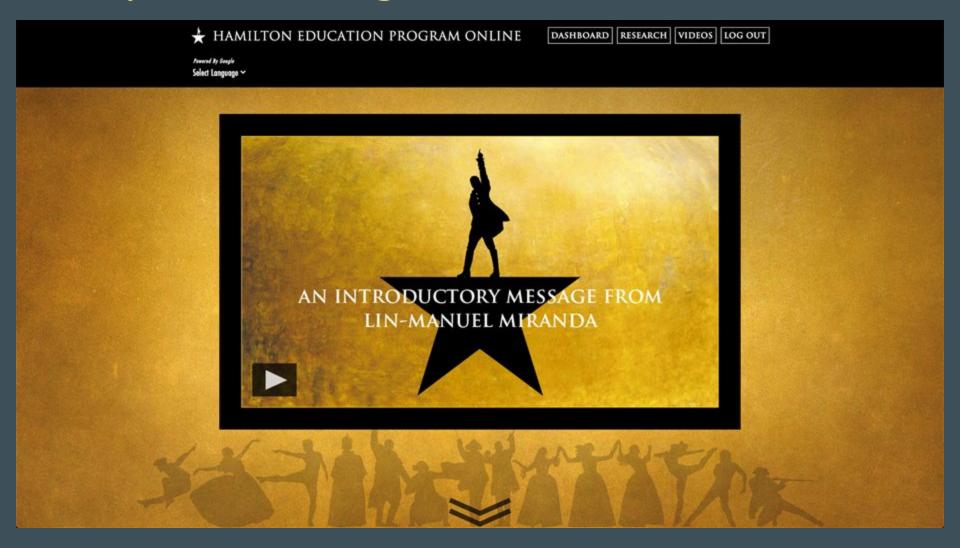
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Upcoming Programs

- Book Breaks, Sunday, September 20 at 12 pm ET (9 am PT)
 - Richard Brookhiser discusses his book Give Me Liberty
- Inside the Vault, Thursday, October 1 at 7 pm ET (4 pm PT)
 - Featuring documents related to the abolitionist John Brown
- A Tribute to Teachers: Heroes of 2020, October 7 at 8 pm ET (5 pm PT)
- Siempre, Luis, Wednesday, October 14 at 8 pm ET (5 pm PT)
 - Students in conversation with Luis Miranda about the documentary that airs on HBO on October 6
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