

regard our little flock.—I hope to see thee again next summer, if the Lord permit. I desire thee to assure of my friendship and esteem, Ady Bellamy, his excellent brother; Savory and his family; Doctor Thompson; J. Bevan; my friend Phillips. I am, with affectionate regard to thy wife and children, thy sincere friend,

JEAN MARSILLAC.

Sarah (Robert) Grubb wrote in her Journal during a visit to the Continent:

At Alençon, we were affectionately received by John de Marsillac, and courteously by his wife, who through the whole of our visit there, which was three days, appeared to enjoy the company of their visitors. Here we endeavoured to take fresh counsel about the way of proceeding to England, which ended in the conclusion, of George and Sarah Dillwyn and John de Marsillac going to the Island of Guernsey to visit the few friends there; and J. Eliot, A. Bellamy, M. Dudley, my husband and myself to London directly, by way of Dieppe, which we pursued accordingly, and arrived in London the 13th of 7th Month, 1788 (*Life of Sarah Grubb*, 3rd ed., 1796, p. 167).

The *Life of Mary Dudley* contains the following, under date, 1788:

We arrived in Paris on the evening of the 29th, and left it again the second of the seventh Month, travelling post to Alençon; here our friend J. M. met us, and we went in his coach to Desvignes, his place of residence, about a league distant. We were kindly received by his wife.

6th. A solemn sitting with J. M., his wife, and little son" (p. 78).

NORMAN PENNEY

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Ancient Advice for Modern Elders

WHEN Rachel Wilson (1722-1775) attended Philadelphia Y.M. in 1769, "she imparted much solid advice, particularly to elders, whom she compared to the golden snuffers under the law, that were made of the same beaten gold with the lamps; and remarked that if a proper use was made of the snuffers by taking away that which dimmed the lustre and was superfluous, the light would burn and shine clearer and brighter. But some were so fond of snuffing, that they at length wasted the life of the Candle, and had sometimes put it out."

Quoted from Comly's *Miscellany*, vol. viii., in *Bulletin F.H.S. of Phila.*, vol. viii. (1917), p. 33.