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New Hampshire: The Ninth Pillar *Massachusetts Centinel*, 25 June 1788 (excerpt)



NINTH and the SUFFICIENT PILLAR.

We felicitate our readers on the accession to confederation of the State of New Hampshire — not only because it completes (if Virginia hath not *previously*) the number of States necessary for the establishment of the Constitution; but because it is a *frontier*, a *neighbouring*, and really to us a *SISTER* State. Our predictions and wishes have been that the New-Hampshire PILLAR would rise—and we rejoice that we now have it in our power to RAISE it from the “*STOOL of repentence*,” on which it hath done penance these four months, and to give it a place as one of the noble PILLARS of the GREAT NATIONAL DOME. . . .

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