- 1. Simon Gratz, of Philadelphia. His set of the signers of the constitution is a superior one—undoubtedly the best extant. It is wholly composed of A. L. S., and includes not only the thirty-nine signers proper, but the twenty-six others who were chosen delegates, and who either failed in their attendance, or left before the completion, and signing of the constitution. Several of the autographs of the twenty-six non-signers are more difficult of obtainment than those of any of the signers proper.
- 2. D. McN. Stauffer, of New York, has all the signers proper, and all the others chosen, in A. L. S., save Blair only in D. S.; and largely illustrated.
- 3. Dr. S. H. Fogg, of Boston. Of his set of the thirtynine signers of the constitution, all are A. L. S., except Blair, D. S. He has also full autograph letters, save of Wythe only, which is a signed document, of the other twenty-six who were chosen members of the convention of 1787, but failed to sign the constitution. Including William Jackson, the secretary, the collection is illustrated with forty-six engravings, leaving twenty without likenesses.
- 4. Col. C. Jones, of Augusta, Georgia. His set of the signers of the constitution is complete—all A. L. S., save Wilson and Read, A. D. S., and Franklin and Mifflin, D. S. The collection also includes all the members elect to the convention of 1787, who were either not present, or failed to sign the engrossed document; and all these also are A. L. S., except Benjamin West, A. D. S. This series is likewise illustrated with portraits, inlaid on Whatman paper, and bound.
- 5. R. C. Davis, of Philadelphia. His set of the signers of the constitution are all A. L. S., save Baldwin, D. S.; and he has also all, with one exception, of the twenty-six others chosen to the convention of 1787, but for one cause or another, failed to sign the constitution. This collection is also suitably illustrated.
- 6. Ferd. J. Dreer, Philadelphia, has all the signers in A. L. S.; and quite a portion, in some form of those chosen who did not attend, or did not sign. Properly illustrated.