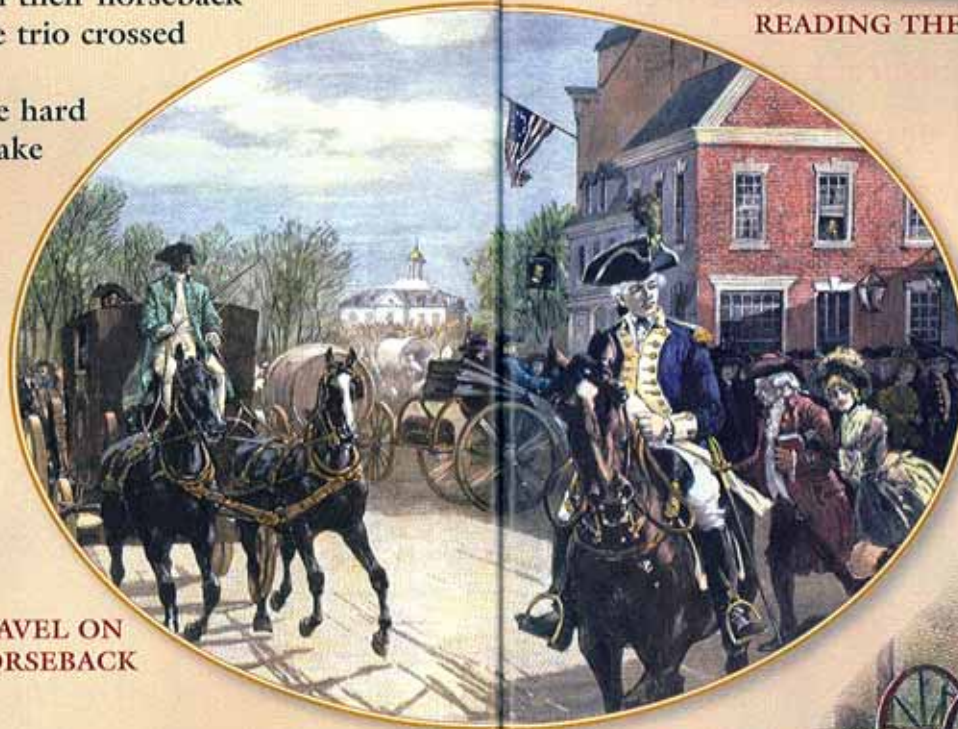


TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION

1754-1790

Leap Back in Time

In the days when Patrick Henry was speaking out for an independent country, travel was very slow. On the journey to the First Continental Congress in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Patrick and Edmund Pendleton rode horses to the Virginia plantation of George Washington. On their horseback journey from Washington's home, the trio crossed rivers by ferry and crossed the wide Chesapeake Bay in a boat. It took five hard days of travel for the threesome to make the trip. Today you could travel the 150 miles by automobile in under three hours. Look at the items on these pages and think about how travel and communication have changed from the revolutionary period to today.



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