

# Student #6

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Christopher Gadsden-Personal Interests and Personality; Non-Political Career

Good quote

"I desire to be ready to sacrifice at a Moment's Warning on the Altar of Liberty & in the Cause of my Country, my highest Ambition is to be found doing my Duty let my Master call at Midnight or at what Hour he please. I desire to be all resignation to Him."

set off this quote

Christopher Gadsden was forty-one years old when he wrote these words in 1766 in a letter to James Pearson encouraging him to be strong in the cause for the liberty of America (Weir 173). He was a vehement man who put forth his opinion of the British and their wrongs against the colonies openly and often, despite the obvious dangers of his actions.

need a parathetical right after the quote

He also held views that were not so popular among Patriots in the colonies. Gadsden encouraged fairness to Loyalists before, during, and after the Revolutionary War; it was a time when pamphlets as "How to Tar and Feather a Tory" were popular.

where did you get this info?

After receiving schooling in England, Gadsden began his working life as a clerk for the Philadelphia merchant Thomas Lawrence (ca. 1740-1745). Early on, he became interested in land ownership and plantations. Concentrating mainly on produce, he owned several plantations and more than one hundred slaves in South Carolina by the end of the war (Edgar 259).

good

— great word

Gadsden was quite a bibliophile, and, more specifically, a linguist. By the time he died, he owned a library of books written in Hebrew, Greek, and Latin, as well as quite a few written <sup>in</sup> English and several on English grammar and language. All of these books went to his grandsons upon his death in 1805 (Will 4).

interesting

Throughout Gadsden's life, he was married three times, and had a total of six children, all of whom were born to his first two wives. On July 28, 1746, at the age of twenty-two, he wed Jane Godfrey. Their two children were named Elizabeth and Henry. On December 29, 1755, he married Mary Hassell. They had four children: Thomas, Mary, Philip, and Ann. His last wife, Ann Wragg, whom he married on April 14, 1766, had no children of her own. It is unknown how his first wives were separated from him (Edgar 262).

↳ they died

Christopher Gadsden lived quite a colorful life, and had many an adventure during his eighty-one years. Although he was mainly involved in politics, the other aspects of his life paint a colorful picture of the major Patriot in the Revolutionary War who would have died without thought for his God and his country.

nice conclusion

You need more specific details about Gadsden's business interests.

Where is your Works Cited List?