THE STUDY OF MONEY, from the images it depicts to the people involved in its production, can tell us much about a country. Constitution Day, celebrated each year on September 17, is a prime opportunity to learn more about the patriots involved in the American Revolution and the founding of the United States. Match the names below with the descriptions of their historic roles and their numismatic connections. solution on page III

1. His portrait appears on the current nickel, a 2007 Presidential dollar coin and the $2 bill. He drafted the Declaration of Independence and was a proponent of the first U.S. Mint.

2. Pictured on a half dollar issued from 1948 to 1963 and the $100 bill, he signed the Declaration of Independence. He invented a method of using nature prints to deter counterfeiting of paper money.

3. He crossed the Delaware with General Washington during the Revolutionary War, a scene depicted on the reverse of the 1999 New Jersey state quarter. He is pictured on a 2008 Presidential dollar.

4. His portrait is found on the face of the $10 bill. The first U.S. Secretary of the Treasury, he proposed a system of coinage for the new country.

5. Despite his failing health, this patriot rode 80 miles on horseback to vote in favor of Delaware signing the Declaration of Independence. He is pictured on the reverse of the 1999 quarter that honors his state.

6. He did not want his portrait placed on coinage, but, since 1932, it has appeared on the quarter. It also is found on the $1 bill, as well as the first Presidential dollar issue.

7. Born in Massachusetts Bay Colony, he is pictured on a 2007 Presidential dollar. He was a delegate to the First and Second Continental Congresses.

8. Depicted on the reverse of the Bicentennial quarter, he symbolizes the many young American men who accompanied the Revolutionary army soldiers.

9. His portrait is shown on silver and gold 1993 coins commemorating the U.S. Bill of Rights, which he authored. He is also honored on a Presidential dollar issued in 2007.

10. One of thousands of African American patriots who fought in the Revolutionary War, he was killed by the British in the 1770 Boston Massacre. His portrait is featured on the 1998 Black Revolutionary War Patriots commemorative dollar.

11. This silversmith is known for his “midnight ride” to warn of the arrival of British troops. His company supplied rolls of copper for some of the nation’s early coinage.

12. Ready to fight the British at a moment’s notice, one of these armed Revolutionary War patriots is represented on the 2000 Massachusetts state quarter reverse.