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NORRIS, Isaac

Philadelphia 3.X.1701–13.VI.1766

A Quaker merchant and politician in Philadelphia, speaker of the Pennsylvania Assembly. In 1739 he married Sarah Logan, daughter of the chief justice of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. In the postscript to a letter dated 15.I.1759 addressed to Benjamin Franklin, Norris asks Franklin to send him, among other stationery items, “a small Quantity of Camels Hair Pencils and an Assortment of Water Colours made up in Pastels or Crayons [I think these are the Technical Terms] for mine and my Daughters Use.” His daughter Mary married John Dickinson, a Philadelphia lawyer.

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