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## *Errata: Second in a Seemingly Endless Series*

Amid our reflections upon the wisdom of the Association's founders who gave this office a one-year term, and amid recollections of that rare whiff of summer breeze that swept across our Richmond dining room one weekend and blew all the pasted-up pages on the floor just before they were given their numbers, we apologize again to contributors and readers and note a few of the significant transpositions and other unplanned features of our May *Newsletter*:

The contents of pages 10 and 11 were reversed. The archivist of the United States is Robert Mark Warner (not Warren, page 6). Thoreau's *Walden* appeared in 1854 (not 1954, page 6), and "Maybe a typo [not type, page 10] does reveal something deeply hidden . . ."

When the comprehensive and definitive history of editor's and printer's errors is written, however, we hope our efforts will be put into the appropriate context,

recalling perhaps the leaf tipped into the Virginia State Library's copy of Henry Phillips, Jr., *Historical Sketches of the Paper Currency of the American Colonies* (Roxbury, Mass., 1865):

TO THE READER. —The strange error on page iv, Preface, whereby St. Louis is located in Indiana—escaped notice of author and proof reader until too late for correction.

And (even as we celebrate the magazine's rescue) we note the revisionist critique of American military history in *Harper's* (July 1980): 74:

The Civil War, no less than the Revolutionary War before it, was a horse war: General Grant's Traveller will surely be remembered longer than General George Patton's pearl-handled pistols.

—JON KUKLA