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a description
The Federalist Papers are a collection of articles that were published by newspapers in New York from late 1787 through early 1788. Published originally under the pseudonym PUBLIUS, these eighty-five essays were written by Alexander Hamilton, John Jay, and James Madison to explain the benefits of the proposed Constitution to the people, and to defend it against its many critics. At issue was a central government binding a federation of 13 states under a common authority and flag. There were many very strong reservations about this proposal. The Anti-Federalists argued that this new government would wield too much power. They did not believe that the separation of powers of the Executive, Legislative, and Judicial branch would protect the interests of the states from corruption at the federal level. They argued that such a government, far from the careful gaze of it's citizens, would wield power just as did the tyrants and monarchs from whom the states had so recently won their freedom. The Federalists argued that the greatest danger to the new states was instability in government, and that this new structure would insure regular and peaceful relationships, a common defense, and a cohesive foreign policy. While they were originally written to support ratification of the Constitution in New York, the Federalist Papers were re-printed in newspapers all through the colonies; wherever there were strong pockets of Federalist sentiment.

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1. Use Run: [federal.exe] from the program manager or file manager
   File Run menu option. (This is known as the UGLY method, as it
   provides an uncomfortable reminder of DOS) or,
2. Find federal.exe with the file manager and double-click it or,
3. Create a nice entry in one of your Program manager folders.
   Goodness knows, the author spent a lot of time designing that nifty
   little Icon. Besides, it's the right thing to do for the kids.

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<div align="right">—The Editor</div>