

# THOMAS PAINE

1737 – 1809

## ONE: POVERTYSET

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**JULY 14, 1789**

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<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cocarde>

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