

## **A Sorry End: The Priestley Riots of 1791**

**Image:** Ticket for the French Revolution Dinner, Birmingham 14 July 1791. The Dinner began the chain of events which led to the Priestley Riots. The Ticket admits the bearer to dine at the Hotel on Thursday, July 14, 1791. No 48. Initialled T D. French Revolution Dinner.

**Image from:** Joseph Priestley Collection by Samuel Timmins, Birmingham City Archives.

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### **Summary**

This article was originally presented in a public day school, "Joseph Priestley and Birmingham" organised by the Centre for Lifelong Learning at the University of Birmingham on Saturday 28 February 2004. Peter Leather explores the events of the Priestley Riots in Birmingham in 1791.