

knows that he is himself a subject, as well as his people, of a far higher tribunal than his own, and that all must follow the same road to virtue, to godliness, to immortality and glory. He knows that if he possess more power he must do more good than other men; that as he enjoys more honour and respect, so ought he to deserve it by his generosity, his wisdom and his impartiality—that he cannot expect peace and harmony among his people, if he be not to them as a father; for if he requires their willing obedience, he must treat them as children.

Arduous indeed is the task which a king has to perform; but fifty years experience has proved that our sovereign has performed it well; he can say, with truth, that he was never urged on by a lust of power, that he never derided the distressed of his people, but that he has been continually anxious to present to the world, a christian prince guided by the principles of the gospel. Now the breezes of gratitude fan him on every side, and the evening of his days is cheered by the blessings of a great and generous nation.

If we have found the private life of our sovereign guided by the purest principles and worthy of our most unqualified approbation, we shall find his public actions no less deserving of praise. Called to the throne in the midst of an expensive and destructive, but successful war, he did not allow himself to be carried away by the lust of dominion, but exhibited uncommon moderation in the terms which he granted to his vanquished enemies. He knew that the continuance of hostilities, how-

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