

Let us look through the mass of mankind, where shall we select another, under similar circumstances, possessing the amplest documents of self-justification, who would have patiently submitted to three years abuse, and remained silent, without making one effort to close the lips of obloquy, and silence the voice of slander, and even restrained his friends from removing the delusion with which the public mind was darkened? But it is the more astonishing to behold with what complacency he saw his own *hard-earned merits* wrested from him, and claimed for a man who on their strength has been elevated to the gubernatorial chair. Might not General Dearborn in justice have claimed these meritorious deeds, and like the celebrated poet, under similar circumstances, bereft of his honors, by one of inferior note, have inscribed on the portico of the capitol, in letters never to be erased,

....." *fecit  
tulit alter honores.*"

For the information of such who may not read Latin, we shall give the following liberal translation:—

*Of laurels robb'd, to adorn the brow of another.*

Public honors long due, or absolutely refused, have driven ambitious men of hasty passions, to acts of madness, or rendered them enemies to their country. An instance of this, we have seen in Arnold, who commanded that wing of the army, which fought the two important battles at Saratoga; he could not patiently endure that Gen. Gates should bear off the laurels of victory, and be crowned with all the honors of the capture of Burgoyne. Arnold, when opportunity offered, threw off the guise of a patriot—by one infernal stroke, blotted from the page of history all his valiant achievements, and damned his name; and clothed in the detestable garb of a traitor, would have destroyed his country. Such frailty belongs to men, governed only by selfish considerations; let us avoid them as enemies to our liberties; the more conspicuous their talents, the more danger to be apprehended. Every one like Arnold in disposition, has not a West-Point to surrender by an act of treachery to your enemy; but there are other means by which your government may be subverted, and your constitution destroyed. Insidious treasons are equally dangerous, and often more fatal than overt acts.

General Dearborn, under the weight of unmerited censure, regarded less his own, than his country's glory; at every point of danger, and in many responsible stations, we have seen him always the same; on hazardous enterprizes ready to attend the summons of the nation; as ready to retire from posts of honor when ordered, holding it his first duty to obey. Subjected to false imputations without obtaining an opportunity to publicly vindicate himself, we have seen him unremitting in his exertions to resist foreign oppression and invasion.

The official documents, had they been published years ago, would have removed a mass of prejudice which has rested upon Major-General Henry Dearborn. Truth is a divine attribute, under its banner honor and integrity are protected; it shields one from the malignant shafts of detraction; we have only to regret, for the public good, it was not displayed at an earlier day. We can however, congratulate our republican friends throughout the State, that the tide of opposition is checked, and the current of opinion is taking its ancient course, in support of the liberties and independence of the nation, as well as those patriots who have always advocated the righteous cause of freedom, and of whom one of the most conspicuous, is HENRY DEARBORN, who will be unanimously supported at the ensuing election, as Governor of this State.

### MEN OF MASSACHUSETTS.

The Siroc winds of party have almost blown you to destruction; yet a redeeming spirit still pervades the Commonwealth. Let the voice of the immortal WARREN call to you, "*my sons scorn to be slaves*"... Let the hallowed name of WASHINGTON remind you to "*frown indignant*" on the enemies of your Republic... Let the words of the venerable GERRY be remembered... "*if you have but one day to live, let that day be devoted to your Country.*"

With these sentiments, crowd to the Polls on the first Monday of April next, and give your united suffrage to Maj. Gen. HENRY DEARBORN for Governor, and the Hon. WILLIAM KING, for Lieut. Governor.