

published, afford very intelligible demonstrations of the feelings and wishes of the late administration, in America, regarding the "remnants of dominion" and "geographical" "appendages" of Great Britain north of the St. Lawrence. Be it also remembered, the language of the executive in a popular government like the States, is intended and meant but as an echo of the sentiments and wishes of the people.

*" Having at length recovered from his complicated afflictions, he entered upon the enjoyment of his estate, which, although small, would have been sufficient, under prudent management, to have completed his education, on the liberal scale which his mother had designed. Unfortunately, however, he, like too many young men, sacrificing future prospects to present gratification, expended it with rather too profuse a hand. Coming, at length, to foresee that he should be finally obliged to rely on his own exertions, for support and success in life, he again betook himself to his studies with increased industry. He re-commenced under Mr. McCulloch, in that part of Carolina which was then called the New Acquisition, near Hill's iron works. Here he revised the languages, devoting a portion of his time to a desultory course of studies."

"His education being now completed, so far as his wasted patrimony, and the limited opportunities then afforded in that section of the country, would permit, *at the age of eighteen*, he turned his attention to acquiring a profession, and in preparing himself to enter on the busy scenes of life. The pulpit, for which he had been designed by his mother, was now abandoned for the bar; and, in the winter of 1784, he repaired to Salisbury, in North Carolina, and commenced the study of law, under Spruce McCay, Esq. (afterwards one of the judges of that state,) and subsequently continued it under Colonel John Stokes. Having remained at Salisbury until the winter of 1786, he obtained a license from the judges to practice law, and continued in the state until the spring of 1788."

At the early age of 21, he stood a solitary individual in life, his nearest and dearest relations were in their graves; not one of his kindred had been spared to remind him of

* Reid's Memoirs of Jackson.