

discovereth the abilities of men, and employeth them according to their merits.

His magistrates are just, his ministers are wise, and the favourite of his bosom deceiveth him not.

He smileth on the arts, and they flourish; the sciences improve beneath the culture of his hand.

With the learned and ingenious he delighteth himself, he kindleth in their breasts emulation, and the glory of his kingdom is exalted by their labours.

The spirit of the merchant who extendeth his commerce, the skill of the farmer who enricheth his lands, the ingenuity of the artist, the improvements of the scholar, all these he honoureth with his favour, or rewardeth with his bounty.

He planteth new colonies, he buildeth strong ships, he openeth rivers for convenience, he formeth harbours for safety; his people abound in riches, and the strength of his kingdom increaseth.

He frameth his statutes with equity and wisdom; his subjects enjoy the fruits of their labor in security: and their happiness consists in their observance of the law.

He foundeth his judgments on principles of mercy; but in the punishment of offenders is strict and impartial.

His ears are open to the complaints of his subjects, he restraineth the hand of their oppressors, and delivereth them from their tyranny.

His people look therefore to him as a father with reverence and love; they consider him as the guardian of all they enjoy.