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I lay this simple wreath on the memorial of one whom I found able and helpful as a *teacher* in my youth—wise and prudent as an *adviser* in after life—generous and considerate as a *superior officer*—tender and true as a *friend*. He loved me, and was loved by me. He doubtless had his faults, but I cannot recall them; and very few, I venture to think, will ever seek to mention them. The green turf which rests on his grave covers them. His memory will live as one of the purest, kindest, best of men. A patriot, a scholar, a Christian—the servant of God, the friend of man. . . .

Yours, very faithfully, in bonds of truest friendship,

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