

"THE CHARACTER OF QUEEN MARY II. BY BISHOP BURNET.

"To the state a prudent ruler,
 To the church a nursing mother,
 To the king a constant lover,
 To the people the best example.

Orthodox in religion,
 Moderate in opinion;
 Sincere in profession,
 Constant in devotion,
 Ardent in affection.
 A preserver of liberty,
 A deliverer from popery;
 A preserver from tyranny,
 A preventer of slavery;
 A promoter of piety,
 A suppressor of immorality,
 A pattern of industry.
 High in the world,
 Low esteem of the world,
 Above fear of death,
Sure of eternal life.

What was great, good, desired in a queen,
 In her late majesty was to be seen;
 Thoughts to conceive it cannot be expressed,
 What was contained in her royal breast."

Such was the last poetic tribute devoted to the memory of
 the queen, who was so "sure of eternal life!"

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