

lowed, that he was constant in his attachments. Never did he desert any of his friends, whom after trial and selection, he had pressed to his heart. Enjoying his invaluable friendship without interruption from our first acquaintance, I feel his loss as that of an elder brother ; my wisest counsellor and surest protector to whom I could always apply for instruction and consolation. With the warmest affection for his friends, he joined an eagerness to do them good which no difficulties could diminish ; is it then to be wondered though he carry to the grave their love and veneration. In their bosoms his memory will be cherished, while their hearts beat and their souls are capable of reflection.

His strict probity and inviolable love of truth gave him an influence in the country which no other person ever attained ; never did any man court popular applause less, and never was any person so much esteemed by the general voice of the Province : It was a homage paid to virtue. Those virtues threw a lustre over his character, and it was the study of his life to transmit so precious an inheritance to his children. To accomplish this most important object, and to give them a proper foundation, he laboured unceasingly to inculcate the principles of our holy religion upon their hearts, which he justly deemed the root of all true virtue. His was a practical religion, transfused into his life and governing his actions ; not only directing his intercourse with the world, and penetrating the retirement