

the same nature were established during the late reign. The name of George the Third, is, therefore identified with those Societies, and they will be handed down together to the latest generation.

Over the last nine years of his Majesty's life an awful veil has been drawn. By an all-wise and inscrutable Providence, the majesty of the man has been placed in the most awful, yet respectable ruins. In the periods of the deepest national solicitude, his mind has felt no interest; in the hour of the most acute domestic feeling, his eye has been tearless; and alike ignorant of the national triumphs, and his own domestic bereavements, he descended into the grave, covered with the tears and blessings of a free, a grateful, and an admiring people.

Chaste, pious, stedfast, merciful and just,  
His pride his people; and his God his trust.  
To the third George, approving heaven ordain'd,  
A life unblemish'd, and a death unpain'd.

Thus did George the Third terminate a reign of nearly 60 years, the longest of any British Sovereign, a reign full of the most important revolutions and events that the page of history can disclose—a reign replete with victories, both naval and military, the greatest that ever were achieved—of domestic distresses, perhaps the severest that ever were endured; and make up of internal and foreign commotions, terrible in their aspect and direful in their effects. But, during that long and perilous period, Jehovah preserved our king and our country, our laws and our liberties, surely “blessed are the people whose God is the Lord.”

Now that George our father has gone to his glorious reward at God's right hand, let us joyfully transfer our allegiance to his illustrious son and successor, and bear him up on the arms of faith and prayer. Our mother country has conquer'd her external enemies, but some of her degenerate children are rebelling against her, and during the present national distress, arising from unavoidable circumstances, are endea-