

appearance manly, dignified and commanding. His dark gray eyes are spoken of as piercing and brilliant, emitting, at times, flashes before which an opponent was apt to quail. He had, too, that true courtesy which springs from kindness of heart and a just appreciation of the rights and feelings of others, a politeness which far transcends all the forms of etiquette. In living he was marked by great temperance, eating sparingly, and avoiding all intoxicating drinks as a beverage. He allowed himself but little sleep, resting barely long enough to recruit his energies for work. His education was of the slenderest description, and to mere book-learning he never pretended, yet he was desirous of gaining all possible light, and he must have greatly enlarged his circle of knowledge, for in his later works we find him, instead of decrying learning, quoting now a passage from the Koran, and now a criticism upon the original Greek of the Gospels. While he had no pretensions to be a logical reasoner, great truths came to him he knew not how—intuitively, as with many great minds; and he could only appeal to inward voices and visions in explanation of his rare spiritual insight. In organizing and governing power he approached the executive greatness of Wesley. His imagination had little appreciation of the beautiful, either in nature, art or literature, but it revelled in visions of the wild and wonderful, and was at home in the sublime outpourings of the Hebrew prophets. No one could reproduce their sublime imagery more powerfully than he. If somewhat stern in disposition, yet no one had more warmly attached friends. When in prison, on one occasion, one of his followers went to Cromwell, and offered to take his place in the wretched dungeon and bear his punishment if he were liberated. "Which of you," exclaimed the Protector to his courtiers, "would do the like for me?" Under the rough rind there beat a warm, brotherly, tender heart. The granite rock had a living spring within. Doubtless he failed in appreciating the worth of established institutions and in due consideration for other men's opinions; but this arose rather from the prejudices of his position and the strength of a pertinacious will, than from any unkindness or irreverence of heart. Perhaps his most distinguishing characteristic was his world-wide philanthropy, in which he grasped the whole human race, beholding a brother in every member of the human family. He believed that the gospel of Christ, carried out in practice, would fuse all nations and tongues into one common