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Modest to the point of diffidence, and pleasingly sincere in his humility, he was nevertheless quick to recognize that among the objects of civil government that of promoting the happiness of the race stood out as one of the greatest. He was, therefore, never hesitant about laying aside personal considerations in order to accept appointments of responsibility, and, in that way, becoming the humble instrument for promoting that welfare and happiness.

Truth, the Divine attribute, was, to him, the foundation of every virtue. It dictated his every endeavor and regulated his conduct through life. Endowed with intellect and power, he used both to the advancement of the interests of the country he loved. Fervency and zeal ever distinguished him from the common run of men. Assailed by misfortune, disease, and some of the greatest trials and temptations, his fortitude was supreme, enabling him ever to "carry on." And his fidelity to the principles of liberty, justice and equality was as firm and steadfast as the foundations upon which this, Our America, was erected.

"When Freedom first her glorious day had won,
She smiled on Washington, her darling son,
Mild Justice claims him as his virtues rise,
And Love and Honor still attend the prize."

—Seck.