

174 Under the illuminating influence of that faithful monitor of the soul, which continued to follow him, his understanding however, became opened clearly to perceive that the measures which he was promoting, would eventually lead to open war, he immediately withdrew from any further active agency in public concerns, and although returned a delegate to the second convention, he declined serving. - This devotion to principle, was followed by further opening of that light, which discovers to us our real standing in the sight of infinite purity, and by an increased faithful-ness he became more and more humble

175 under the operations of the divine hand, and was rendered willing to resign that ambitious love of distinction, which had heretofore so entirely engrossed his regard. The conflict between inclination and a clear sense of duty, was painful in the extreme. - To give up the flattering prospects of worldly honour, to one occupying a prominent station in society, and in the prime of life, during an eventful crisis in public affairs, was found to be a sacrifice, which could only be made by a dedication to religious principle; believing however that it was called for, this sacrifice was made, and he has left it as his testimony, that