

178 of the discipline, and was soon loud under the necessity of testifying to others what the Lord had done for him, in order to encourage them in the path of righteousness. - During the revolutionary war he suffered great loss of goods, in support of his testimony to the peaceable character of Christ's Kingdom, as well as for refusing to take the oaths of allegiance, and for declining to pay taxes levied for the support of the war. - During this period he also suffered deeply for the exercise of his gift as a minister of the gospel: all which trials it appears he bore with patience, meekness, and

an unshaken reliance on the divine¹⁷⁹ support. - He had a clear and strong testimony against the use of intoxicating liquors, as a beverage, which by a consistent example he sustained to the close of his life. - Within a short time before his decease, he stated with great emphasis and feeling, in a public meeting, that for the last sixty years, he had not, to his knowledge, swallowed one drop of distilled spirits, nor in any degree indulged in the unnecessary use of intoxicating drinks.

Under the influence of the love of the gospel, which enlarges the soul in