

give additional lustre to his deeds in arms, & sublimity to his moral picture!

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In the course of the present canvass, the friends of General Jackson have contended, with no little zeal, that the exposition of the earlier events of his life, is an unfair mode of electimeering. This doctrine is founded, on none of the known & acknowledged maxims of political wisdom. Such exposition is the only means by which a people can become acquainted with the merits or demerits of public aspirants, as past acts & professed principles are the best, indeed, the only criteria, by which their lives & characters can be illustrated. Trusting, therefore, to the good sense of those to whom I appeal, I refer to the history of his public life, for evidences of the profusion with which he has poured forth the blood of his fellow citizens, even his associates in arms. And if I should succeed in demonstrating the fact of an unnecessary sacrifice of human blood life, you must be convinced of the impolicy of aiding in his election to the Presidency, & thereby, of reposing, in reckless hands, the destinies of a brave & patriotic nation. I allude to the execution of the six militia men, a deed of so antonow cruelty, the memory of which, should sink deep in the heart of every American.

As a ground of accusation, it has been warmly disputed; and I must confess, it was not until very recently