which you hail their Constitutional King, while they hear in return the concentrated applause of the only Republic on Earth.

Among all the gifts of a merciful Providence, there is none so conspicuous in our nature, so consoling in its influence, so searching in its power, as that great principle which by a common sympathy of feeling, endears man to man throughout the world. It is that hallowed feeling of sympathetic emotion, which binds individuals together as families—families as societies—societies as nations—and nations as a world. It is the chain which connects Earth and Heaven—guiding the eye of man in grateful acknowledgements, when his fellow creatures are prosperous; or in humble supplication to offended deity, when they are cursed by affliction and want. It lives throughout all the scenes of varied animated nature. It beats in every pulse. It throbs in every heart. It has sustained the patriot on the field, the martyr at the stake. It is the language which enrols in its calendar the fields of Marathon and the straights of Thermopylæ, and uttering with deep emotion the names of Koskiusko and Montgomery, points to the fields of Warsaw and the walls of Quebec. It gave decision and firmness to Washington, in the retreat through the Jerseys, and at Newburg—it made him the envy of mankind on the Banks of the Potomac. It cherished the noble spirit of La Fayette in the dungeon of Olmutz, and provides him a monument of Glory, in the united affections of France and America. It bent with mournful foreboding over the spark which appeared in Greece, and hangs in tremulous emotion over the suffering population of the Emerald Isle. It yet lingers in the breast of the Grecian mother, who sees in the features of her son, the sparkling of a soul which she devotes to the future vengeance of her country's wrongs. It breathes in the dying accents of Emmett, and whispers hope to the great body of the Irish nation. It lives in the memory of Riego, and casts a beam on the fortunes of ill fated Spain. It speaks in the violated constitution of England, and points to the execution of the first Charles, and the

expulsion of the second James. It triumphs in the fire of enthusiasm, which illumines the streets of Paris, and bursts upon our admiration and applause in a heroic revolution of three days. By this holy sympathy France and America are united, and by cherishing fond sentiments of justice and regard may they jointly contribute to the emancipation of mankind.

But Fellow Citizens, there are great points of reflection, which distinguish the late events. They bespeak the march of intellect and liberty, distinguished from the prevalence of faction and licentiousness which marked the revolutions of former years. They display a people moving en masse without riot, and claiming liberty without excess. They present the altars of Religion unpolluted—rights of property respected—order obeyed—vices repressed—and reason triumphant in the full display of the virtues of a great nation unsullied by cruelties—moving in firm submission to the dictates of individual integrity and national honor. The Revolution of '89 was the vindictive movement of the great body of a people—burning with revenge—and frantic with despair. That of 1830 is the effort of an enlightened nation, profiting by the errors of the past, and looking firmly but calmly to the prospects of the future. Reason and reflection had furnished the theory that free government can be sustained, and the example of America has established the fact. Profiting by the great lesson which she has afforded, the people of France have discovered that to be free they must be virtuous and intelligent—that Liberty is to be woed by the practice of all the virtues—nor can she live in the family of all the vices.

It is the existence of these great features in the late Revolution, which stamps the æra as decisive, and confounds by their presence the council of Kings. The approach of the friends of Liberty to their Thrones, presents facts addressed to their reason, without excesses of passion and feeling which appeal to their fears. It wears the aspect of man, under the influence of reflecting enquiry into his future destiny, comparing with calm, but determined composure the various duties which he

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