people, himself, or who tolerate them in the camp. Intrusted with
the care of our liberties, — his selection, is the result of a cool &
celating inquiry; — his movements watched by our anxious
jealous people. Then let it be remembered, the duty incumbent
upon the people to endure with the highest spirits, in their powers,
the means from whence they received signal military service, it
is a debt which they owe to him; & if not canceled, will ever remain
a monument of their ingratitude. It is unnecessary to attempt to
attenuate the claims of him, who generously offers his own life a
sacrifice to the interests of his country; & who perhaps has shed
his blood in her cause; — be it, most ample remuneration. It
was the ardent love of his native soil — that called forth this
able sacrifice, and the peculiar devotion of the patriot, which made
his sacrifice — the Palladium of his heart. And it is too often the
case, that private expediency is the ruling principle, which
murders the character of the Statesman, and gives direction to
his talents. And we have no charity, that his services will
generate sentiments incongruous with the uniform tenor of
his life. If the protection of his country is denied the partici-
patation in its civil affairs — what recompense shall he receive
for his service? Shall those heroic deeds, which have won for
it the blessing of liberty and ennobled its historic page,
be compensated by the mere paltry expositions of gratitude & re-
spect? Or still, shall they be acknowledged by that ill-derived
expectation — of increasing his labor by promotions in his an-
deous occupation? Instead of rewarding him for service, at
readily performed — to make the obligation, more binding