

is called into existence by the renewed expression of the popular voice. This trust constitutes their chief duty, as nothing tends more to the happiness of a people than to leave them in the undisturbed enjoyment of the greatest possible portion of their yearly income, from whatever source it may be derived. Such is the distinguishing character of our political and civil institutions, and such the enviable condition of our people, that they require but little law to regulate them. A multiplicity of laws is an incalculable mischief; it obscures that which ought ever to be plain, and embarrasses what the intelligence of the people ought easily to penetrate.

To preserve the simplicity of our institutions, is a deep concern; to guard them as far as possible, from innovation or hurtful change, is a sacred duty. The chief objects of our care are, a prudent and wise frugality in directing the public expenditures; a vigilant attention to every contemplated new disbursement; a rigid adherence to the system of cutting off and resisting the addition of all supernumerary or unnecessary offices: these, together with the preservation of a virtuous and enlightened judiciary, well selected, and rendered independent by the tenure of office, will afford an indestructible rampart against all the throes and convulsions that can endanger the stability of government, or the peace and welfare of society.

We have the honor to be,

Your obedient servants,

DANIEL MARTIN.