

a natural goodness in his temper." In long official experience, Gov. Dudley surpassed Gov. Andrew, and, in acquired knowledge, they both stood among the first of public men in their times. Still we must not assert that there were not some wrong principles in them both. But Bancroft, in his U. S. History, was too severe on certain points, and did well to erase in the later editions his bitter declarations against the Gov. Dudleys. He might properly transfer his criticisms from them to the old slave-holders. Gov. Dudley followed up the good beginning of the pilgrims, and did his share in clearing away the obstructions to civilization and national prosperity, which we now enjoy. He never forsook, or despaired of, his American country and his father's projected land of promise. For these worthy and patriotic efforts and principles we must cherish his memory forever.

Among his characteristics to be emulated are his love of learning and learned people, liberality in his religious views and practices, love of his family and relations, his faithfulness in the performance of his duties, his moral courage and perseverance, his industry, frugality, personal dignity and good nature, politeness and affability, his love of order, law and good government.

WILL OF GOV. JOSEPH DUDLEY.

"The last Will and Testament of Joseph Dudley, of Roxbury, Esqr., revoking all other wills and dispositions of my estate. I bequeath my soul into the hands of Almighty God, thro' Jesus Christ my Lord, in whom I trust for eternal life, and my body to be decently buried with my father, at the discretion of my executors. My temporal estate I dispose in manner following :

"I give to Rebeckah, my dear wife, my servants, household goods, plate and two hundred pounds in money, to be at her own disposal in her lifetime, or at her death, amongst her children, and if she die without any such disposal, then what is left thereof to be equally divided amongst my children.

"I also give my dear wife my mansion house (or what part of it she pleases to use) and gardens for her life, and one hundred pounds per annum to be paid quarterly in equal portions, for her support during her life, to be paid by Paul Dudley, my eldest son, out of the issues and rents of my estate herein given to him. I give to my son William Dudley, my new farm in the woods, in