Confederacy. We allude to the recent message of our Southern neighbors to violate Constitutional obligations to crush the peculiar institutions of the South and ruthlessly to trample upon her rights. The language of recrimination and threatening should be forbidden from so long as possible. But the siren voice of delay should lull no longer. The time has almost come when we must to resolve to resist is to resolve to yield. Although linked together by the ties of interest, honor, and affection, we are looking back with common pride upon the great struggle which preserved our existence; we think to make many sacrifices and concessions, yet if the crisis must come it will be seen that the same spirit of resistance to oppression which animated our fathers still burns brightly in the bosoms of their sons. We with trumpet tongues will proclaim the rights they sever; and, knowing with valiant hearts will dare maintain them.

But believing, as we do, that many of the evils to which we have alluded are necessarily incident to the comparative infancy of our Country, and that others are to be ascribed rather to