"Were nations to review in peace their motives for having made war, with the means they employed, and the method by which they conducted it, they would in general find much to blame in a moral as well as a military view; the conviction of the wrongs they did, and the blunders they committed, might, on another and similar occasion, improve both their ethics and their tactics, and make them, at once, better men and abler soldiers; but as nations cannot be brought together, it rests with governments to perform this duty of self-examination; when, if they omit it, the task devolves on the historian."

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