

of two years of unequal carnage, shows that it was erroneous, and that the result was the reverse of what the British ministry humanely desired. A contrary policy, a policy just to us, a policy diverging from an unvarying course of concession to all the demands of our enemies, is still within the power of Her Majesty's Government, and would, it is fair to presume, be productive of consequences the opposite to those which have unfortunately followed its whole course of conduct from the commencement of the war to the present time.—In a word, peace is impossible without independence, and it is not to be expected that the enemy will anticipate neutrals in the recognition of that independence. When the history of this war shall be fully disclosed the calm judgement of the impartial publicist will, for these reasons, be unable to absolve the neutral nations of Europe from a share in the moral responsibility for the myriads of human lives that have been unnecessarily sacrificed during its progress.

The renewed instances in which foreign Powers have given us just cause of complaint need not here be detailed. The extracts from the correspondence of the State Department, which accompany this message, will afford such further information as can be given without detriment to the public interest, and we must reserve for the future such action as may then be deemed advisable to secure redress.

Opposite Johnsonville, Tenn, Nov. 5, }
via Corinth, Nov. 7. }

Major Gen. Forrest, on the 4th Inst., achieved another great victory.

He placed a battery above Johnsonville, moved up his artillery from below, and caught at Johnsonville three gunboats, two transports and about twenty barges. He planted his batteries at night, and opened