NATIONAL INTELLIGENCER We anticipate the day of publica-
tion, to meet the public expectation. TMIS DAY at 12 o'clock, the PRESI DENT of the UNITRID STATRES com-
municated, by Mr. CoLEs, lis Secretary, the following MESSSAGE to
both Houses of Congress.
To qut Senate and house of Re-
presentatives of the Unitind States.
which seriousty threatened tie peace of our country have made it a duty to
conveno you at an earlier period than usual. The love of peace so much
cherished in the bosom of our citizens, which has so long guided the pro-
ceedings of their public councils, and induced forbearance. under so many wrongs, may not ensure our continu-
ance in the quiet pursuits of industry. The many injuries and depredations vigation upon the high seas for years past, the successive innovations on
those prinoiples of public law which have been established by the reason and usage of nations as the rule of
their intercurse, and the umpire
and security of their rights and peace, and security of their rights and peace,
and all the circumstances which in
duced the extraordinary mission to duced the extraordinary mission to
London, are already known to you. The instructions given to our minis-
ters were framed in the sincerest spirit of amity and moderation. They
accordingly proceeded, in conformity wherewith, to propose arrangements which might embrace and settle all the points in difference between us;
thich might bring us to a mutual unwhich might bring us to a mutual un-
derstanding on our neutral and national rights, and provide for a commercial intercourse on conditions of some
equality. After long and fruitless enequality. After long and fruitless en-
deavors to effect the purposes of their mission, and to obtain arrangements within the limits of their instructions, they concluded to to send them for con-
be obtained, and sideration: candidly declaring to the that they were acting against their instructions, and that their government therefore could not be plediged for ratification. Some of the articles pro-
posed might have been admitted on a principle of compromise, but others were too highly disadvantageous; and
no sufficient provision was made ano sufficient provision was mace a-
gainst the principal source of the irritations and collisions which were con stantly endangering the peace of the
two nations. The question therefore whether a treaty should be accepted in that form could have admitted but of of the other party impaired our confidence in it. Still anxious not to close the door against friendly adjustment, new modifications were framed, and
further concessions authorised than could before have been supposed necessary : and our ministers were
structed to resume their negociations on these grounds. On this new reference to amicable discussion we on the twenty-second day of June last, by a formal order from a Brileaving her port for a distant service, which had been lying in our harbors under the indulgences of hospitality, was disabled from proceeding, had several of her crew killed, and
four taken away. On this outrage no commentaries are necessary. Its character has been pronounced wy
indignant voice of our citizens with an emphasis and unanimity never ex-
ceeded. I immediately by proclamation, interdicted our harbours and waters to all British armed vessels, forbade intercourse with them, and, cended, and the town of Norfolk indeed being threatened with immediate attack, a sufficient force was ordered for the protection of that place, and and pursued as the prospect rendered proper. An armed vessel of the
United States was dispatched with instructions to our ministers at London, to call on that government for the sa-
tisfaction and security wequired by the outrage. A very short interval ought be communicated to you as soon as as the public interests shall be found to admit, the unvatified treaty and proceedings relative to it shall be made The aggression, thus begun, has
been continued on the part of the British commanders, by remaining within ty of the country, by habitual violations of its jurisdiction, and at length by putting to death one of the persons
whom they had forcibly taken from on board the Chesapeake. These aggra vations necessarily lead to the policy
either of never admitting an armed
vessel into our harbors or of maintain ing in every harbor such an arme perty of our citizens against their armed guests. But the expense of such standing force, and its inconsistence with our principles, dispense nose courtesies which would necessaree to exclude the niavy, as we are th rimy of a foreig
To iormer violations of maritime ghts, another is now added of ver fensive eflect. The governmer terdicting

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## stil unsettled; no measure havin

 communications to Congress, to bripthem to a close. But under a state o things which may favor reconsidera-
tion, they have been recently pressed and an expectation is entertained that issue of some sort. With thei
jects on our borders, no new collisions
have taken place; nor seem immedi-
ately to be apprehended. To our former grounds of complaint has been will see by the decree, a copy
Whether this decree which professe to be conformable to that of the French
government of Nov. 21, 1805, heretofore communicated will also be conformed to that in it on to the United States ascertained at the date of pur las communications These our la gave
mity.
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With the other nations of Europe our harmony has been uninterrupted and commerce and friendly inter-
course have been maintained on their course have
usual footing.
Our peace with the several states on the coast of Barbary appears th
firm as at any former period, and as likely to continue as that of any othe likely to
nation.

Among our Indian neighbors in the tation was observed soon after the late occurrences theatening the continuance of our peace. Messages were said to be interchanged, and tokens to be passing which usually denotestate of restlessness among them, pointed to the sources of excitement Measures were immediately taken for providing against that danger: in
structions were given to require ex planations, and, with assurances o our continued friendship, 0 admonish taking no part in quarrels not belong ing to them. As far as we are yet in formed, the tribes in our vicinity, who are most advanced in the pursuits of industry, are sincerely disposed to adhere to their friendship with us, and
to their peace with all others. While those more remote do not present appearances sufficiently quiet to jus-
tify the intermission of military pretify the intermissi
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The great tribes on our south wes the others in agriculture and househo'd arts, appear tranquil and identifying their views with ours, in proportion whole of these paople, in every quar ter, I shall continue to inculcate peace and friendship with all their neighbors,
and perseverance in those occupations and pursuits which will best promote their own well-being.
The appropriations of the last ses-
sion, for the defence of our sea-port towns and harbours, were made un der expectation that a continuance of ence. It has been thought better to apply the sums then given towards the defence of New York, Charleston, and New Orleans chiefly, as mus tection ; and to leave places less im mediately in danger to the provision of the present session
The gun-boats too already provided
have, on a like principle, been chiclly assigned to New York, New Orican and the Chesapeak
terial in aid of the defensive works on or any one sher augmented in thi dom of the legislature. For the purpose of manning these vessels,
a matter for consideration whether the seamen of the United States may not
justly be formed iato a special militia, to be called oin for tours of duty in defence of the harbours where they
shall happen to De; the ordinary mili tia of the place furnishing that portion which may consist of landsmen. The moment our peace was threat-
ened, I deemed it indispensable to seure a greater provision of those articles of military stores with which our
magazines were not sufficiently fur-
nished. To have awaited a previous and special sanction by law, would
have lost occasions which night not be retrieved. I did not hesitate there-
fore to authorise engagements for
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## lone, what they would have seen so mportant to be done, if then assem- bled. Expenses, also unprovided for,

## I1 our gun-boats into actual service forthe defence of our harbofs, of all which accounts will be laid before

Whether a regular army is to be raised, and to what extent, must de-
pend on the information so shortly excalled on the States for quotas of Miand have moreover encoura I am happy to inform you that these
have offered themselves with great alacrity in every part of the union.
They are ordered to be organized, and They are ordered to be organized, and
ceady at a moment's warning, to pro-
ceed on any service 'to which they may be called, and every preparation
within the Executive powers has been within the Executive powers has been
made to ensure us the benefft of early exertions
I inforined Congress, at their last session, of the enterprizes ingainst the public peace, which were believed to
be in preparation by Aaron Burr and is associates, of the measures taken eniders to justice. Their enterprizes were happily defeated, by the Patrioic excrtions of the mind, fidelity of the army, and energy of the Commander in ${ }^{1}$ Chief, in promptly arranging the dificulties presenting themselves on
he Sabine, repairing to meet those arising on the Mississippi, and dissiendering there: I shall think it my
daty to lay before you the proceeciaty to lay before you the procec
ings, and the evidence publicly exhicipal offenders before the Distriet bled to judge whether the defect was a the testimony, in the law, or in
he administration of the law; and wherever it shall be found the Legislature alone can apply or originate the remedy. The framers of our constiuarded, as well then government a citizens againstoppression, under preence of it; and if these ends are not itained, it is of importance to enquire nay be secured.
The accounts of the receipts of recnuc during the year ending on the
hirtieth day of September last, being not yet made up, a correct statement
will be hereafter transmitted from the Treasury. In the mean time it is ascertained that the reccipts have
nounted to near sixteen millions dollars; which with the five millions
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gimning of the year have enabled us, fter meeting the current demands and nterest incurred, to pay more than
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hose of the proceding five and a half years, have extinguishod of the funded dollars, boing the whole which could e paidor purchased within the limits
f the law, and of our contracts, and ave left us in the treasury eight milhons and an half of dollars. A portion
of this sum may be considered as of this sum may be considered as surplusses of revenue, which, after paying the instalments of debt, as they without any specific object. It may partly indeed be applied towards comsleating the defence of the exposed as shall be adapted to our p doubtless among the first entitied attention, in such a state of our finan ces, and it is one which, wethorwe have peace or war, will provice sechat
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