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Some timid, or perhaps *interested* politicians have expressed apprehensions, that the new fooderal government will not be adopted by the states, or the people. Such persons do not know, or recollect, the good sense of the Americans, who, under less pressing circumstances, in the year 1775 adopted the resolutions of Congress, and in the year 1776 the Declaration of Independence. For neither of these were the citizens of America *half so* well prepared, as they are *now* for a vigorous fooderal government. It is probable *some* of the states will object to it, and certain factions, composed of salary and perquisite men, may object to it in *all* the states; but (as was the case with the resolutions of Congress and the Declaration of Independence) *truth* and the *public safety* will finally prevail over self-interest and faction, and America will be the delight of her friends and citizens, and the envy, admiration and example of the whole world.

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