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Dear Father,

What do you think of the war message? It appears to me to be very silly, since if what the president & his gang have repeatedly ^{asserted} be true, viz - that England could throw all our bonas back upon us, demand payment in gold, & ruin us, then we will already have been whipped without the necessity of firing a shot. But of course every man who has the brains, & takes the trouble to think knows that there can be no war, Capitalists control England, & they are not going to give away India

to Russia & forego the privilege of tax-
ing this country untold millions
because of some boundary line in
So America, I hope for war, but
such good luck is impossible, It
would prove to the foolish voters
of this country that we could live
without English consent & assistance,
but as it is to the advantage of
the money power to have the peo-
ple so believe, it is quite probable
that they will continue in the prevail-
ing impression, But the truth is I
don't believe either side is sincere, It
is a put up job by Lombard & Hall
etc, with Salisbury & Cleveland principals
(the members of the British & American foreign
offices are probably sincere in believing that
there will be a fight) to distract the mind of the
country while an effort is being made to retire the green-
backs. People unacquainted with the history of English
finances from 1810 to 1844 might find it hard to believe
this, But those who are acquainted with the history fall nat-
urally into the belief. Shall expect you Sunday night -
after Bury