able to inform the people concerning what their rights are, and how and from whom they are in danger, -- and with these considerations fully in view, tell us whether the Chickasaw Nation would be wise, in spending a few hundred yearly, to establish and support a National Organ by which it will be put in communication with its own citizens and the world, -- a voice enabling it to speak for itself, -- to expose attempted outrage, -- to defend disputed right, -- to expostulate and protest against the works of bad men, -- to appeal to the honor and honesty and solicit the moral aid of good men; or would it be wiser still to save for a few months the few hundreds which might thus be successfully expended -- to sit still and sullen, in the face of surrounding peril -- to encourage encroachment by seeming indifference when the people expect and would listen to the voice of expostulation, and finally in one fatal hour to lose all, the hundreds that were saved for a time and the millions that were thrown away forever?

Of course there can be but one intelligent answer to this question. In this country of public opinion, printing presses and newspapers are necessities.

It is through these means and these only, if we except