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attended with mischievous consequences, yet when it is taken into account that the Invaders were vastly superior in numbers and very subtle, besides having the advantage of being the aggressive party, any delay was a very serious matter indeed, and it might have proved fatal, were it not that the sentiment of loyalty was immoveably fixed in the breast of the valiant defenders of the country, which impelled them to quit their homes and submit to military discipline, and so they prevailed just as all such noble-hearted and spirited men ought to prevail, and ever will prevail. It is therefore sincerely to be hoped that, the important work of connecting the Bay of Quinte with Presqu' Isle Harbour, in aid of the other defences of Canada, will no longer be delayed, and that no feeling of parsimony shall prevent its speedy completion in the most ample manner. It is a work of defence which the Provincial Government can undertake, and accomplish without any reference, or aid, to or from the Imperial Government; it would reflect great honor and at the same time be very profitable, and as it would be alike applicable to the best interests of the country in Peace or War, it would be a perdurable disgrace not to accomplish it.

There can be no doubt in any reasonable man's mind, that the professions of attachment so frequently made by the people of Canada to the British Crown, are perfectly sincere; neither can there be a doubt that they would prove it to the fullest extent in the defence of the Province if