

The governor addressed the troops in a style calculated to produce a deep impression; he thanked them in the name of the president of the United States, and informed them that the second army was organizing and would follow if necessary.

Gen. Hull followed:—"In marching through a wilderness memorable for savage barbarity," said he, "you will remember the causes by which that barbarity has been heretofore excited. In viewing the ground stained with the blood of your fellow citizens, it will be impossible to suppress the feelings of indignation. Passing by the ruins of a fortress,* erected in our territory in times of profound peace, and for the express purpose of exciting the savages to hostility and supplying them with the means of conducting a barbarous war, must remind you of that system of oppression and injustice which that nation has constantly practised, and which the spirit of an indignant people can no longer endure."

At the close of the general's speech, the troops uncovered and gave six cheers as a testimonial of respect for their beloved chief magistrate and their new commander.

On the 27th gen. Hull pitched his tent in

* Fort Miami, erected by the British in 1792: its ruins are to be seen on the left bank of the Miami of the lakes, a little below Fort Meigs.

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