

honorab!e foe, all under the pretext of cramming their notions of liberty down our throats. But the people were faithful to their allegiance, and after much service, and hard fighting, the result was glorious to Canada. Therefore I trust, in consequence of past experience, and present appearances, that we shall not allow ourselves to be bamboozled, or cajoled, into false security; and let what may take place in the shape of treaties between Great Britain and the United States, to establish the trade and other relations of the two countries upon a fair footing, it is most devoutly to be hoped that the Canadian Administration will urge upon the Imperial Government, the necessity of using the most prompt, and energetic means, of providing for the *proper* defence of our Frontier, for should an emergency again suddenly arise to defend the Province from invasion, (and it will be most sudden) it will not then be the time to sit down and enquire of each other what is best to be done; now is the time to do so, when all is calm, and, as I have before remarked, preparation is an excellent peace-maker. Our Commander of the Forces, General Rowan, is a polished brave soldier, and entitled to our confidence and respect but he is constrained to keep within the bounds of his instructions from the War-Office; and Colonel Dixon, the talented Officer who at present commands the Royal Engineers in Canada, is of course controlled by the Master General of the Ordnance: I believe the Colonel is the same Officer, who