

The enemy have hit and hurt some of the ships. The Rebel prisoners found means to file off the rivets of their fetters. The Rebels are at work on the battery opposite Port Louis.

14th.—Fire balls as usual. Above 1800 men under arms in the garrison this night, expecting an attack. The first guard mounted in a new block-house erected without Port Louis. The enemy observed moving.

15th.—All quiet last night. A body of the enemy seen assembled who gave three cheers.

16th.—All quiet last night. Picquets on the two new block houses outside Port Louis.

17th.—Nothing uncommon.

18th.—Two deserters from the Rebels—say the New Yorkers would not re-inlist; on the contrary, a body of 300 called out "God save the King," on which they were disarmed and made prisoners by the Rebels, in which service the Canadians were most forward. That they are 1800, exclusive of Canadians, who they amuse with promises of plunder. The garrison is in high spirits and wish for an assault.

*April 18th.*—The lake ice has passed the town to-day.

19th.—All quiet. It is said the Canadians desire the town may not be burnt for fear of depriving them of the plunder.

20th.—One Buchanan, formerly of the 78th Regiment, with a Frenchman, came into town. The Gaspé, armed schooner, taken last fall, they have prepared as a fire ship, and offer 20,000 livres to a person who will carry into Cul de Sac and set her at fire. Reported that Col. Caldwell of the 8th Regiment, is on his way from Niagara with a number of Indians. It is not very probable. We fire a good deal on their works at St. Charles River. Reported that Chaucer is