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thought, would be sufficient to regain possession of Lake Ontario. However, I am fully of opinion that the British will not be able to finish more than three before the ice leaves the lake.

Some little time before Hull invaded the province, there was an armistice entered into by the commanders of the armies on both sides of the line, at which time a number of the militia were permitted to go home, and which was a joyful thing to them. When this armistice was made known to Mr. Madison, he refused to agree to it, and when notice was given of his refusal to the Governour of Canada, all the militia were called back. Some time before the battle of Queenston, there was another armistice agreed upon for an unlimited time, but the conditions were such, that if either party wished to commence hostilities, that party should give the other four days notice. Immediately upon this agreement, almost all the militia were permitted to go home, and about one half of them had got some miles on the road, and some that lived nigh to the line had got once more to the bosom of their families, with the sweet hope of never again returning to the place of danger and death.—But oh, hard fate! notice was sent from the American side that the armistice must end in four days; of course, all the militia that had got home, or on their way, were called back again, and with a heavy heart many a man parted with