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### LATE LIEUT. BRANT

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Indians Are Loyal—Fifty Men From Grand River Reserve At Front—Indian Women Are Knitting.

By Max McD., Toronto Star.

Lieut. Cameron D. Brant, who was killed in the fighting at Lanermark, was a great-grandson of the loyal and celebrated Captain Joseph Brant ("They-an-den-ekka") leader of the Mohawks in the Revolutionary War, and chief of the Six States when they left the United States and came to Canada. Lieut. Brant himself was a chief of the Six Nations, of which the Mohawks are the principal tribe, and lived in Hamilton, Ontario. He was formerly a lieutenant in the 37th Haldimand Rifles, joining the active service contingent of the 4th Battalion at Cayuga, together with a number of his Indian friends. Quiet and unobtrusive, he was recognized in the battalion as a man who knew how to handle his men.

On the way to Salisbury the "Chief" was asked by some of his brother officers to instruct them in the mysteries of an Indian war dance. After many rehearsals the dance was perfected to the highest degree possible to the white men, and then to the accompaniment of drums, many war whoops and wiers, dreamy singing, the officers, led by Lieut. Brant, nightly performed their colorful dance on the deck of the transport.

At the front Lieut. Brant maintained the family reputation for bravery, combined with natural Indian cunning and recklessness. Praise from commanding officers and admiration from his men were accorded to him for his many characteristics exemplified by this Red Man from Canada while under fire in the trenches. William Marchington, the war correspondent, writing from London, says of Brant:

"A letter from the senior officer of his battalion refers to the gallantry of Lieut. C. D. Brant, a descendant of the Indian Chief Brant. Young Chief Brant has figured in several exploits which won the admiration of his chief officers. The boys will follow him anywhere," says the letter.

The Six Nation Indians have always taken a prominent part in the defence of the British Empire. At the time of the Revolutionary War these Indians were living in New York State, but took sides with Britain on the understanding that if Britain lost the campaign they would be given land in Canada to recompense them for land surrendered in the United States. Thus they became refugees in the wilds of Canada, driven from their homes in the Mohawk Valley as the Belgians are in England to-day. The fidelity of Joseph Brant, the Mohawk Chief, and his fellows won for the tribe a residence in Western Ontario, where to-day the City of Brantford (Brant's ford) recalls the memory of an Indian Loyalist.

It is little more than 100 years since, on the banks of the Thames River, near the little town of Brantford, Ontario one of the bravest warriors that ever fought for the Union Jack was killed. Tecumseh, too, was a Mohawk, and although he died in the hour of defeat, he, with his tribesmen, turned the tide of Indian favor to British arms, and was, quite probably, instrumental in deciding the outcome of the War of 1812.

It is not so many years since the village of Ohaweken, on the Indian Reservation on the banks of the Grand River, echoed with war-whoops and glared with the light of yellow fires of the Mohawks as they made a chief of the lad, Prince Arthur of Connaught, now Canada's Governor-General. This is the first case on record of Royalty sitting in the councils of the Red Men, and has done much to seal the loyalty of the Six Nations.

When the news of battle resounded through Canada last August the Six Nations enthusiastically rallied to the flag. In the Council House at Ohaweken the Six Nations of the Grand River voted \$1,500 to their brother, Ka-rab-kon-tye, the Duke of Connaught, Governor-General of Canada, to be used by the Imperial authorities "as a token of the alliance existing between the Six Nations and the British Crown." Major Gordon J. Smith, superintendent of the Six Nation Indians, and major of the 25th Brantford Dragoons, referring to this gift of money, said to the writer: "When the subscriptions were being discussed many of the chiefs were anxious to contribute as much as \$5,000."

In addition to the gift of the Governor-General the Six Nations offered their warriors, all and sundry, for the firing line. They have actually given fifty young Redskins, and these are all at the front.

The enlistment of Lieut. Brant, and his fellow Mohawks aroused great patriotic interest among the women of the reserve. A Women's Patriotic League of Six Nation Indian women from each of the Six Nation churches has been formed to work for the Red Men of their nation, who have gone to the front. They have been knitting socks, mitts, wristlets, and caps, and one shipment was made to Salisbury Plain. In it were also plum puddings, fruit cake, boxes of creams and tobacco. What Indian women do they do well, and it may be said to their credit

### STILL POOR PAPA.

London, May 4.—"Sister Susie" has a rival, Jack Norworth, who introduces this popular tongue-twister to London music hall audiences, is now persuading them to join him in singing: Mother's sitting knitting little mittens for the navy, Bertha's busy bathing baby Belgian refugees, Sarah's shaming shirkers making guernseys for the Ghurkas, Oh what busy bees, all sewing, ... so busy, Maggie, Moll and Maud are making mufflers for the marines, While Winnie winds the wool when they begin, Sister Susie's knitting socks for soldiers, Still poor papa props his pants up with a pin.

### COMMENTS BY ZACCHEUS

Who Has No Use for Only a Sunday Religion.

A—Artfulness a poor substitute for straightforwardness.  
B—Better be right than be boss.  
C—Candor is a charm; cunning a contrivance.  
D—Doubts are traitors, making us fear to attempt and likely win.  
E—Even-tempered people have the advantage over hasty ones.  
F—Felicity, home-made, the truest.  
G—Greatness without goodness is misassigned.  
H—Honor can dispense with honors.  
I—Ills of life, bravely borne, may bring you a crown.  
J—Judgment is weak where better justice is strong.  
K—Knowledge of one subject better than smattering of several.  
L—Liquor is a bad counsellor.  
M—Master's requiem loudest chanted by silent organ.  
N—"Native land," words sweet to the ear.  
O—One self-approving hour is worth years of worldly joy.  
P—Persistence is good or ill according to purpose.  
Q—Quality of a man best known in adversity.  
R—Religion that lasts not over Sunday can scarcely look for enduring reward.  
S—Success to a crook brings less comfort than failure to an honest man.  
T—Trifles make life as moments make the year.  
U—Under God what is, is best.  
V—Vigilance a trouble-saving agency.  
W—Watching before better than worrying after.  
X—Excellent thing to know, happiness the world can bestow.  
Y—Your best joys from your own selves must spring.  
Z—ZACCHEUS.

Morrisburg and Ottawa Electric Railway shareholders want the company wound up. At a meeting in Ottawa they agreed to fight further stock calls.

S. H. Lane of the New York office of the American Bank Note Co., has been appointed general manager of the Canadian branch of the company

### MAPLE LEAF'S RISE

STOCK JUMPED TO HIGHEST POINT IN YEARS.

Dividend Talk Is Persistent—And It May Be Big—Held Much Wheat.

Toronto, May 7.—The persistent buying of Maple Leaf Milling common stock continues the outstanding feature of the Toronto market. The shares this week, closed at 86, the top price for the year, and the highest since 1913. It sold at 59 a week ago. The steady accumulation of the shares by inside interests is causing a lot of very bullish gossip to circulate on the street, as the company's year has closed, and the figures will shortly be made public. It is taken for granted that a dividend is coming, and as an ordinary dividend has been pretty well discounted by the rise the groups have it that no more one per cent. a quarter is contemplated, but that the stock will start off at least on a six and possibly on an eight per cent. basis.

In estimating the profits for the year, it is recalled that the statement a year ago showed bank loans of nearly \$3,000,000 on wheat. This was at that time regarded as abnormal, but as all that wheat was presumably bought around 70 cents a bushel or less, the huge holdings in view of the rise in the wheat market this year is believed to have been the cause of enormous profits.

Curiosity on this point should be satisfied before, long, as the report will, it is said to be out about May 15th.

### Coal Company Reorganization.

Chicago, May 7.—First steps toward the reorganization of the Sterling Coal Company, a \$10,000,000 corporation, said to own the largest coal tract in the country, were taken to-day, when Attorney Levy Maer on behalf of the Continental and Commercial National Bank of Chicago and Kahn, Loeb & Co., of New York bought stocks and bonds of the face value of \$7,000,000 at auction for \$681,500.

### U.S. Steel Earnings.

Boston, May 7.—It is rumored that the sharp recovery in earnings which United States Steel established in March has been continued into April, and that April net earnings will cross the \$10,000,000 mark. This sum, if realized, would mean profits as large as for February and March combined.

### Send Flour To Australia.

Watertown, May 7.—Farwell & Rhines, local millers, have shipped ten barrels of gluten flour, produced at the local mill, to Australia. This is one of the first shipments of gluten flour ever made from this country to Australia.

### Big Car Order Talk.

New York, May 7.—It is understood that Pressed Steel Car Company has closed with the Russian Government for between \$35,000,000 and \$40,000,000 of railroad equipment.

### Commercial News.

P. P. Barrett, formerly of the Canada Securities Corporation, joins the staff of Nesbit, Thomson & Company, Limited, Montreal, on May 1st.

The C.P.R., natural resources department report that during the past three months \$38,000,000 of American capital has been invested in Canada and particularly in the west.

Directors of the Big Dome in New York have decided to dispose of 50,000 shares of treasury stock at par, ten dollars a share, on the basis of one new share to holders of seven shares of the present stocks.

There were 2,063 insolvencies reported to R. G. Dun & Co., during April, as against 2,000 in March, 2,278 in February and 2,848 in January.

### BENNY KAUFF.

The Federal League outfielder, who jumped to the New York Giants and was returned by them to Brooklyn, when it was found that he was under contract to the Federal League. Kauff was then indefinitely suspended by President Gilmore of the Federals. This case has been the sensation of the baseball world.

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