## THE BATTLE GLORY OF CANADA

## CHAPTER I

## CANADA ANSWERS THE CALL TO ARMS

In time of war how suddenly things look up in that queer, queer British Empire!

"I haven't a thing to take back," says Ireland, "but under the circumstances kindly show me the enemy as soon as possible. I want to get at him."

"Yours of recent date received," says Canada. "Am sending men as fast as they can be got ready and transportation secured."

"Reserving for a more auspicious time any hatred a part of our population justifiably bears to England," says South Africa, "we are prepared to do our utmost in the present war."

"Serious local dissatisfaction will arise, sahib, unless Indians are permitted to give their lives for the honourable Empire, now that it is at war with a foreign nation," says India.

It's everywhere the same story. In peace it's "Confound your stupid, unreasonable, fat-headed, doomed, arrogant soul!" In time of need it's "Count on us to the limit!"

Which is why we say that the British Empire is a queer, queer institution!—Chicago Herald.

This great war has done for the Empire what no previous war has ever done. It has brought the Dominions overseas to a point of considering the Empire's quarrel their quarrel. True, they have come to the assistance of the Mother Country before, but never in quite the same way. Sir George Perley, Acting High Commissioner for Canada, in speaking at the anniversary dinner of the Newspaper Press

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