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The capture of Fort Du Quesne, was assigned to General Braddock. He was a brave soldier, but a martinet—arrogant, perverse, and obstinate. He attempted to wage war amid the wilds of America after the manner of a European campaign. With his little army of twenty-three hundred men and an immense baggage and artillery train, he hewed a road through the wilderness and over the Alleghany Mountains, over the route we have been following, pressed on with an advanced body of twelve hundred men, and on the ninth of July had reached the neighbourhood of the Monongahela. It was a gallant sight—the bannered array,