

nations. Ambition at the head of invincible hosts invaded a country foreign or neighboring, subduing or exterminating the rightful owners of the land, winning rule and supremacy by means of war and all its terrible consequences to both conqueror and conquered.

In circumstances like these the great heroes are the generals and soldiers of both victors and vanquished. In Upper Canada the hero roll tells the immortal tale of new life, not that of destruction and death, and the genesis of a nature springing into existence at the sound of the axe which first broke the silence of primeval forests. Builders and makers of homes were they, as well as tillers of the ground, delvers of mines and warriors of the winds, waves and tides; yet greater still than all this courageous enterprise and physical conflict with and conquest of nation, they possessed also the higher birthright of a religious, loyal and intellectual heredity, which they held as a sacred trust for their posterity—a legacy of education, political, civil and religious liberty, into which possession we, the children of the fourth and fifth generations, have entered.

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{ "Ka-rih-wen-ha-wi," }
 { Beaver Clan. }
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