

# **BROCK**

## **CHAPTER I**

### **EARLY LIFE**

In 1816 a coin intended for circulation in British North America was issued from the Royal Mint. On one side were the words, "Sir Isaac Brock, the Hero of Upper Canada." This was the way the people of Canada had spoken of the great soldier since the capture of Detroit, and the issue of this coin shows in what esteem he was held by the Home Government. It would be more fitting had the words been, "the Hero of Canada." That Brock truly was. His influence was felt not in one province alone, but throughout the whole of British North America. A careful study of the war of 1812 will show that, although he was slain in less than four months after war was declared, he saved Canada to the British Empire. Without his wisdom and daring and