

belonged to Toronto's first mayor and best-known citizen, William Lyon Mackenzie, who led an armed rebellion in 1837 against a ruling clique called the "Family Compact" under a British Governor. While admiring the century-old furnishings of the house, Paul could not help wondering about Mackenzie, by all accounts a republican fighting against British rule, and now a national hero. But he thought Canada still belonged to Britain and was ruled by the Queen, and said so to Douglas.

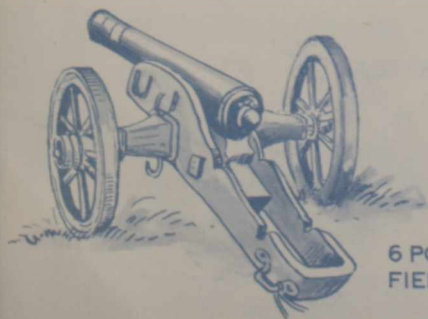
"No, we *don't* belong to Britain any more," corrected Douglas.

Mrs. Simpson explained that Mackenzie was one of a number of early Canadian reformers who started Canada on the road to self-government. It is true, Paul learned, that Queen Elizabeth is Queen of Canada, as well as Queen of Britain and of a number of other countries in the Commonwealth of Nations; but Canada is fully independent today and acts on her own in world affairs. She is a Charter member of the United Nations, contributing to its work in helping less-developed nations and to its peace-keeping activities. Because Canada believes in co-operating with other countries in matters of defence, she was one of the first countries to join Britain, the United States and others in forming the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), and has also joined the United States in an arrangement for protecting the North American continent from air attack. This joint arrangement is called the North American Air Defence Command.

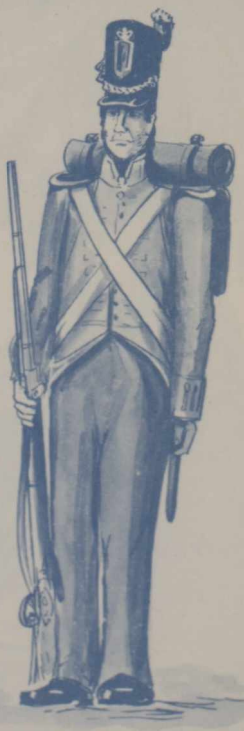
"Well," said Paul, "later I'd like to find out more about your system of government."



QUEEN ELIZABETH II



6 POUNDER  
FIELD GUN (WAR OF 1812)



BRITISH  
INFANTRY  
SOLDIER  
(WAR OF 1812)