

## INTRODUCTION TO SECOND VOLUME

The Town of Paris constitutes the business centre of the northern portion of the County and it is splendidly located both with regard to environment and natural advantages. The main line of the Grand Trunk and two radial roads amply take care of freight and passenger needs, while highways centre there from all directions. It is the home of well equipped factories, commodious residences and educational institutions of a high order. Industrial and mercantile establishments, churches, schools, and other features all tell of a well ordered and prosperous community.

In connection with the chapter devoted to Brant County Authors, thanks are returned to the Musson Publishing Company for kind permission to make quotations from the poems of E. Pauline Johnson, as contained in "Flint and Feather." The nature of her work naturally made excerpts more readily available than in the case of the other writers named.

The main portion of this volume—and it will be agreed quite properly so—is devoted to the glorious record of Brant County in the Great War. The laborious task of compiling this suitable memento has been well accomplished by Mr. A. T. Whitaker. No pains have been spared to make the chronicle as accurate as possible, but in dealing with such a mass of names and incidents over so lengthy a period, some omissions and errors have probably occurred. No doubt any such will be regarded with due tolerance. The chronicle, impressive though it appears even in cold print, cannot begin to convey the splendid self sacrifice and heroism manifested locally during this world crisis, but a sincere effort has at any rate been made to preserve for future generations some idea of the magnificent story and the heights to which the women and men of Brant County rose during the call to Empire duty in the years 1914-1918.

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In the first volume to the list of Brantford medical men the names of Dr. Pearson and Dr. Gamble should be added—both practitioners of many years standing in this community.

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