
GLORIOUS CANADA

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WHEN the history of this great war comes to be written, and the glorious part taken by the British nation is chronicled for the benefit of posterity, the help rendered by the Sons of Canada to the Mother Country will not be overlooked by the impartial historian; but the writer of this short article believes it to be not inappropriate in this magazine to endeavour to pay some small tribute to the magnificent achievements of those splendid Colonials who have responded so eagerly to the call of the Empire in its hour of need and are fighting so nobly for the great and splendid cause at stake.

The men of the land of the Maple Leaf have indeed shown the grit that is in them, and the valour of their splendid stand against the terrific German onslaughts and murderous gas attacks directed against their lines when, outnumbered and almost surrounded, and even totally unequipped to withstand such barbarous methods of warfare, they fought as only heroes can fight, and though even almost half their number were put out of action, yet still they proved the British pluck which is their heritage and fought steadily on until relief could be sent to their aid. The casualty lists show only too truly how great was the cost to that gallant body of heroes whose bravery alone averted dire disaster, and however deeply we deplore those terrible losses, we yet realise that so magnificent and glorious was the feat accomplished that nothing less than this almost super-human courage and endurance would have saved the armies of the Allies in that terrible conflict.

There is still more work to be done, and those Canadians who are yet training in the Old Country, as well as those in Canada, will, we know well, prove worthy fellow countrymen of those who have already stood the test and earned the admiration of the whole of the British Army and Empire, and indeed of the whole world; and though the cost may be high, yet the sacrifice will not be thought too great which shall so greatly help to rid the world of the awful German scourge and restore peace once again to the peoples of the earth.

And thus would an Englishman pay his tribute to the bravest of the brave.