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"ENGAGEMENT AT BRADLEY" RE-ENACTMENT WEEKEND.
BRADLEY MUSEUM, MISSISSAUGA.

...WELCOME
TO THE
TOUR.

THE BRADLEY
MUSEUM IS NAMED
FOR EARLY SETTLER
LEWIS BRADLEY
...

SEE, I TOLD
YOU THIS WOULD
BE AWESOME!

WE'RE
GOING TO FIND
GOLD FOR OUR
PROJECT HERE!

HENRY,
WE'RE SUPPOSE TO
RESEARCH A VETERAN
OF THE WAR OF 1812,
NOT WATCH A BUNCH OF
PEOPLE DRESSING UP
AND PRETENDING.

COME ON,
KALLIE!

WE'RE
ALREADY HERE.
LET'S FOLLOW
THE TOUR AND
SEE WHAT WE
CAN LEARN.

...ALTHOUGH
LEWIS BRADLEY
WAS BORN IN THE
UNITED STATES, HE
WAS LIVING HERE WHEN
WAR BROKE OUT IN
JUNE OF 1812.



LEWIS VOLUNTEERED TO SERVE WITH THE 2ND YORK MILITIA, UNDER THE COMMAND OF HIS FATHER-IN-LAW, CAPTAIN THOMAS MERIGOLD.

HE SERVED BRIEFLY AS THEIR ADJUTANT, WHICH IS LIKE A CLERK.

OH, SO HE WASN'T A SOLDIER?

THERE WERE MANY VITAL ROLES THAT THE MILITIA PLAYED.

THE 2ND YORK MILITIA WAS TASKED WITH ROAD MAINTENANCE, TRANSPORT OF SUPPLIES, AND GARRISON DUTY, BUT THEY ALSO FOUND THEMSELVES IN BATTLES.

REMEMBER, MOST OF THE MILITIA WERE FARMERS WHO VOLUNTEERED TO TAKE UP ARMS. THAT TOOK COURAGE.

HELLO! DID I OVERHEAR THAT YOU WANT TO LEARN ABOUT 1812 VETERANS? COME WITH ME.



YOU SEE ALL THESE RE-ENACTORS? THEY AREN'T JUST PEOPLE IN COSTUME. THEY HAVE SPENT COUNTLESS HOURS RESEARCHING BOTH THEIR HOBBY AND THE LIFE AND TIMES OF THOSE WHO LIVED OVER 200 YEARS AGO.

I HAD NO IDEA.

I GUARANTEE YOU WILL LEARN SOMETHING FROM THEM.

VARIOUS GROUPS ARE REPRESENTED HERE...





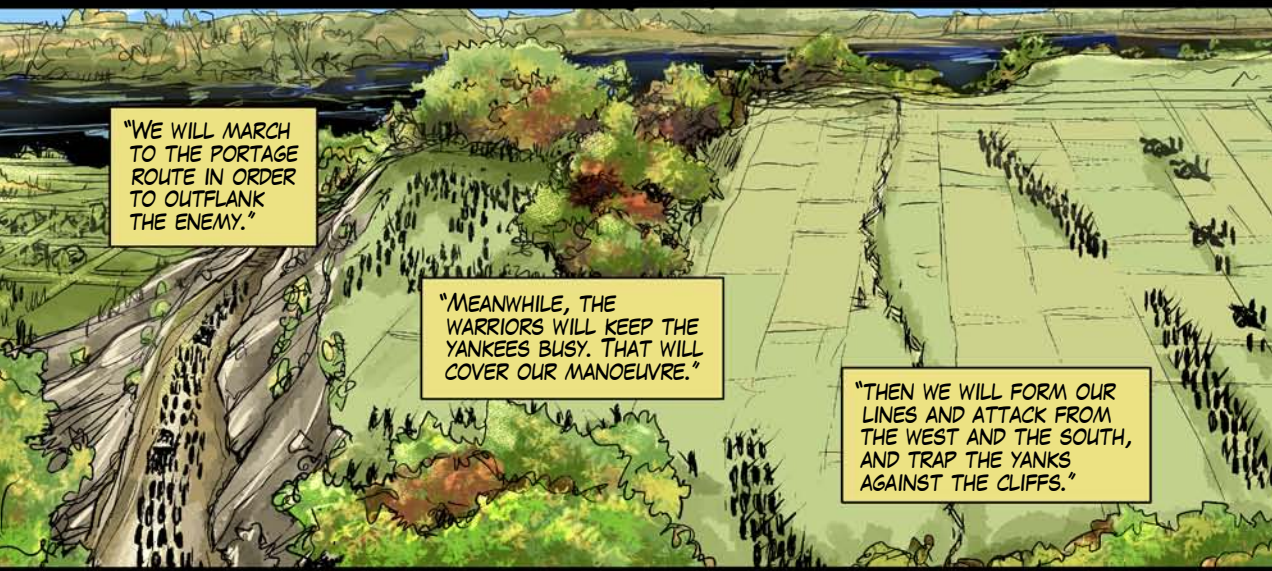






ALRIGHT,
2ND YORK!
LISTEN UP.

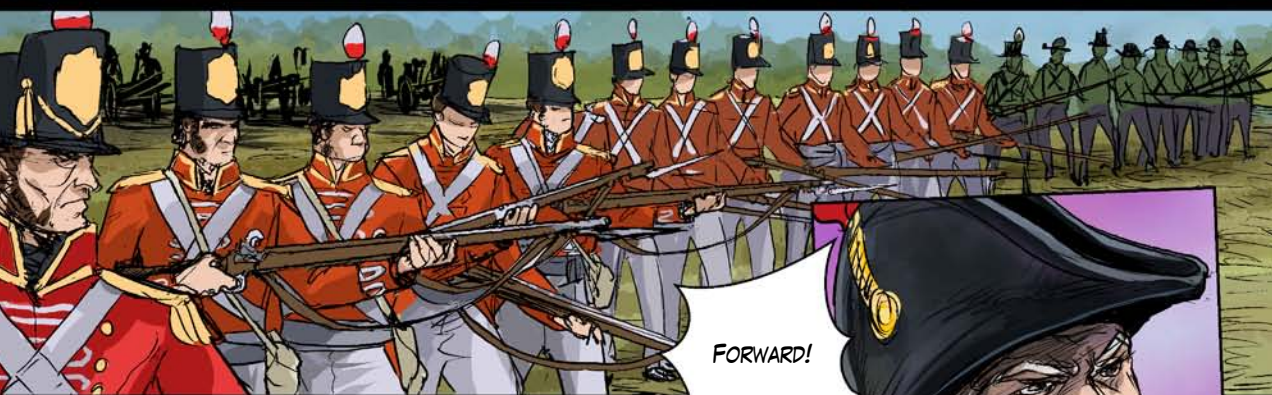
GENERAL
SHEAFFE HAS
ISSUED HIS
ORDERS.



"WE WILL MARCH
TO THE PORTAGE
ROUTE IN ORDER
TO OUTFLANK
THE ENEMY."

"MEANWHILE, THE
WARRIORS WILL KEEP THE
YANKEES BUSY. THAT WILL
COVER OUR MANOEUVRE."

"THEN WE WILL FORM OUR
LINES AND ATTACK FROM
THE WEST AND THE SOUTH,
AND TRAP THE YANKS
AGAINST THE CLIFFS."



FORWARD!



SERGEANT!
WHAT CAN
WE DO?

STAY BEHIND
THE CANNONS.
BE PREPARED TO
ASSIST WITH
AMMUNITION.



HIYAAA

BANG!
BANG!

BOOM!



WHAT DO
YOU THINK
THE TRUMPET
MEANS?



COULD IT
BE OVER?



THE AMERICAN GENERAL IS SURRENDERING HIS SWORD.

THE BATTLE IS OVER. WE HAVE DONE OUR DUTY.

BUT WHAT A TERRIBLE COST.



SUCH IS WAR.

COME, LET'S HELP WITH THE WOUNDED...

...AND ASSIST THEM BACK TO QUEENSTON.



AFTER MAKING CAMP LATER THAT EVENING.

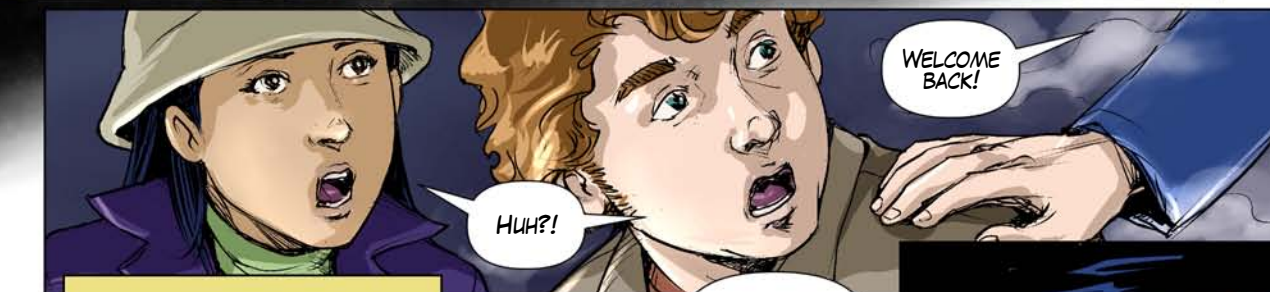


THANK YOU FOR ALL OF YOUR HELP. WAR IS A NASTY BUSINESS.

IT'S EVEN MORE HORRIBLE TO WITNESS FIRST HAND.


WE ARE ALL VETERANS OF WAR NOW.

SO HORRIBLE...



BACK AT THE BRADLEY MUSEUM, THE RE-ENACTORS GATHER AFTER THE PUBLIC HAS LEFT.





...NOTABLE
AMONG THOSE
THAT DID FIGHT AT
QUEENSTON IS
SERGEANT THOMAS
MERIGOLD. HE WAS AN
IN-LAW TO BRADLEY
AND LIVED NEAR
HERE.



MERIGOLD?
WE MET
HIM!

AND THERE
WERE MANY OTHERS
WHO SERVED AND LIVED
HERE LONG BEFORE
MISSISSAUGA
BECAME ITS OWN
CITY.

QUEENSTON
HEIGHTS WAS
JUST ONE OF MANY
BATTLES FOUGHT
IN THE WAR OF
1812.

MANY OF OUR
LOCAL MILITIAMEN
FROM 2ND YORK ALSO
CONTRIBUTED IN OTHER
BATTLES THROUGHOUT
THE WAR.

AND LET'S
NOT FORGET THAT
MANY INDIGENOUS
WARRIORS FOUGHT
IN THE WAR
AS WELL.

WITHOUT
THEM, THERE
MAY WELL NOT
BE A CANADA
TODAY, LET
ALONE A
MISSISSAUGA.

VETERANS WHO
RETURNED HOME AFTER
THE WAR HELPED BUILD
THE COMMUNITIES AROUND
THEM. IN TIME, THOSE
PLACES GREW TO BECOME
MISSISSAUGA.

WE VOLUNTEER
IN RE-ENACTMENTS
TO DO OUR PART IN
PRESERVING THIS
HERITAGE.

YOU WANTED TO SEE AND LEARN, BUT THIS
IS ONLY THE START. WHO KNOWS, MAYBE
ONE DAY YOU'LL WANT TO JOIN US AND DO
YOUR PART!



HISTORY HAS A PLACE FOR EVERYONE.

LEGEND OF THE HEIGHTS

BY HENRY AND KALLIE



Fall of Isaac Brock by C.W. Jeffreys

Conflict came to Canada in June of 1812 when the United States of America declared war on Great Britain and its North American colonies. Civilians in Upper Canada (Ontario) felt the brunt of the war, and many able-bodied men volunteered to serve with the militia. Other citizens found themselves caught up in the conflict simply from living near the Niagara frontier. Many residents were American by birth and had strong family ties to the United States. The war challenged the very fabric of society and tested the loyalties and courage of the civilian population.

The Militia Act of 1808 laid the foundation for civilian involvement during the War of 1812. Volunteer militiamen from historic Mississauga (then known as Toronto Township) were involved in a variety of capacities during the war. Some served in support-oriented duties within the Embodied Militia, and others saw direct military action as members of the First and Second Flank Companies of the 2nd Regiment of the York Militia (2nd York).

Some militia volunteers participated in the transport of supplies, garrison duty, and road maintenance, amongst other duties, while others served in the Volunteer Battalion of Incorporated Militia of Upper Canada, the Royal Artillery Drivers (Car Brigade), and the Commissariat (Wagon Department). When militia volunteers were called for service, they were often away from home for weeks or months at a time, causing a great deal of uncertainty

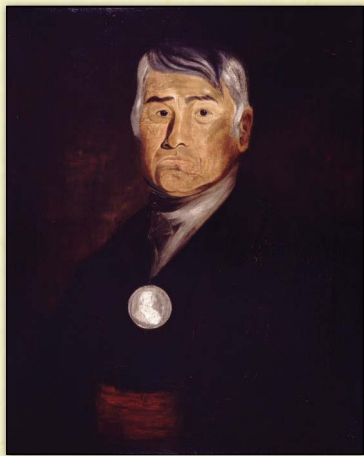
for those who remained behind. Throughout their dedicated service, militiamen from this community were present and participated in several battles during the war, including engagements at Fort Detroit, Queenston Heights, Fort George, Fort York, St. David's, Stoney Creek, Chippawa, Lundy's Lane, and Fort Erie, among others. Some were wounded, some captured, some deserted, and a few never returned home.



William Thompson

More than 50 individuals from historic Mississauga served with the militia during the war. Among them was Lewis Bradley (c1771-1843), after whom the Bradley Museum is named, who served as an adjutant with the 2nd York. Others include his father-in-law, Captain Thomas Merigold Sr. (1761-1826), as well as several of Thomas' sons. Many other residents

served, including members of the Albertson, Copeland, Gable, Greeniaus, Hemphill, Jarvis, Marlatt, Monger, Pollard, Shain, Silverthorn, Willcox and Wolfe families. Captain William Applegarth (1764-1839) and Captain William Thompson (1786-1860) also lived nearby and were present at several battles during the war. Warren Clarkson, after whom Clarkson was named, also served in the militia during the war.



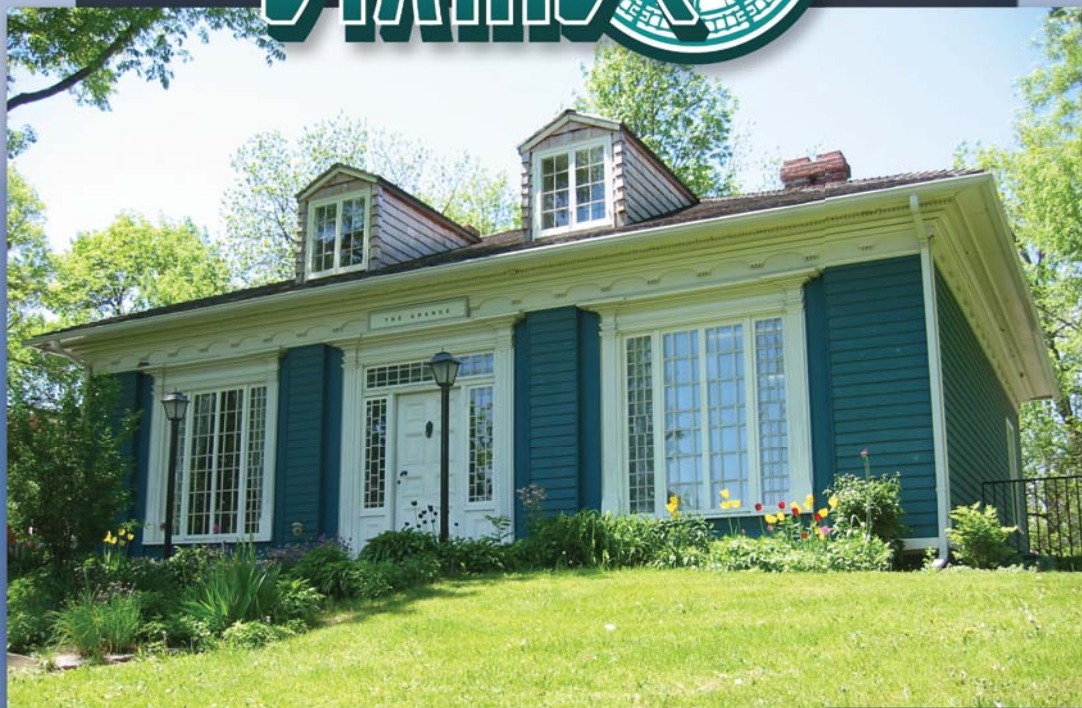
*Chief Joseph Sawyer
Portrait by Reverend James Spencer, 1846*

Several Indigenous warriors from the Mississaugas of the Credit River also found themselves supporting the British war effort in the hopes that promises of land and security would be honoured. Among them were Ajetans (James Ajetance), Wageezhegome (John Cameron), Manoonooding (James Chechok), Pemiskishigon (George Henry), Negahnub (Lawrence Herkimer), Minowargewon (William Herkimer), Nawahjegezhegwaby (Joseph Sawyer), Pahoombwawinnung (Thomas Smith), Tobecoo (John Tobeco) and Kish-ki-wabik (White John), likely amongst others.

There are 37 known veterans of the War of 1812 buried within Mississauga today. Several streets and parks within the city are named for militia veterans of the War of 1812, marking their continued legacy in our city.

*GOOD JOB
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