

**Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte
Community Services—Research
September, 2015**

**Our September 1915 Volunteers:
Matthew Brant, Milton Greene,
Philip Maracle**

WW1:

We are still looking for photos of our WW1 volunteers. We would like to add these photos to our collection and use them for upcoming commemoration events. We thank those that have contributed so far!

Also, we are looking for information on what was happening in the area at the time of WW1, from a community perspective. If you have anything you are willing to share please let us know!

We want to hear from you! Give us your suggestions or requests! All feedback is welcome. Please contact Amy Cowie at 613.396.3424 or Karen Lewis at 613.967.6264.

Local history information also

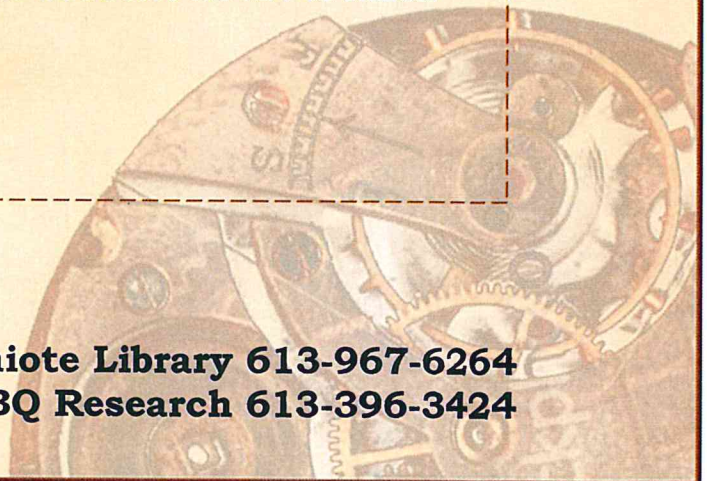
appears in the newsletter, on

MBQ website and on Kanhiote

Library website.

Kanhiote Library 613-967-6264

MBQ Research 613-396-3424



WW1: Honouring Those Who Volunteered in August, 1915

In September 1915, the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte had three members volunteer to serve in World War One: Matthew Brant, Philip Maracle, and Milton Greene.

Philip Maracle signed up on the 6th of September, 1915 and has been featured before.

MATTHEW BRANT

Regimental Number: 455599

According to the 1901 census, Matthew Brant was born on the 25th of March, 1890. But according to his attestation paper, he was born on the 25th of March, 1891.

He was the son of Cornelius Brant & Catherine Brant.

From his military personnel file we learn that before the war he was a farmer. The file also reports that he had 3 years of military experience in the 49th Battalion.

Matthew signed up on the 2nd of September, 1915, in Barriefield, Ontario, for the 59th Battalion.

Almost immediately, in September, 1915, he was absent without permission and was given detention and received a deduction in pay.

However; Matthew continued on and arrived in England on the 11th of April, 1916.

In July, 1916, he was transferred to the 39th Battalion, and in October of that year, he was sent to the 21st Battalion (which was formed in Eastern Ontario) and then on to France.

In January, 1917, he was appointed Acting Lance Corporal (“with pay”) while in the field and then in April, 1917, he was fully promoted to Lance Corporal.

In July, 1917, he was attached to the 4th Canadian Trench Mortar Battery.

Matthew was “wounded in action in France”. He suffered a wound to the left leg on the 19th of August, 1917. Some of the shrapnel remained in his leg as a “foreign body” and had to be removed. A medical report stated; “...that he has some pain in ankle region after severe or prolonged exertion.” He was then sent to the Eastern Ontario Regimental Depot.

In October, 1917, he was transferred to the 6th Reserve Battalion.

In March, 1919, he was again found guilty of being absent “without permission” and forfeited a days’ pay. Mathew was discharged shortly after on the 24th of April, 1919.

Matthew died on the 9th of July, 1967, of a heart attack and was buried on the 11th of July, 1967. According to the

church record, Matthew was buried in the Belleville Cemetery.

Most of this information is from the Military Personnel file of Matthew Brant. Matthew also has a death notice available at the Belleville Library from the July 10th, 1967 *Intelligencer*.

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This file has been digitized.

MILTON GREENE

(The spelling of “Greene” is taken from Milton’s signature on his attestation paper.)

Regimental Number: 201385

Milton Greene was born on the 27th of July, 1893 according to his provincial birth registration. But on his attestation paper, his date of birth was recorded as the 21st of July, 1894.

Milton was the son of Daniel D. & Susan (Minnie) Green.

He signed up on the 27th of September, 1915, in Toronto with the 95th Overseas Battalion.

From his military personnel file we learn that he was a “Hotel Man” before the war and had no previous military experience.

Milton arrived in England, on the S.S. Olympic, on the 8th of June, 1916.

In October, 1916, he was part of the “1st En. Bn.” (could be 1st Battalion Canadian Engineers) in France. He was then transferred to the 4th Battalion. In that same month, he suffered a gunshot wound to the left forearm and a compound fracture of the ulna and was sent to hospital in Outreau, France. After, he was sent back to England for further hospitalization.

One of his medical records states: “Wound entered 6” above wrist internal to radius emerged 4” above phyloid process

ulna which it fractured.” The wound went septic, some bone had to be removed and the wound had to be drained. He made a full recovery and was able to return to duty.

In March, 1917, he was transferred to the 1st Central Ontario Regiment.

A year later he was transferred back to the 4th Battalion. He returned to France and was wounded at Courcelette, on the 8th of October, 1918. He suffered a Shrapnel Shell Wound in the neck. He recovered from this and was discharged from the hospital on the next day.

Milton was transferred to the 3rd Reserves in March, 1919 and was discharged from service on the 26th of April, 1919. His discharge certificate states he served in France and Belgium.

Milton grew up in Deseronto and Belleville but the family moved to the Toronto area sometime after the 1911 census. It is not known if he ever visited Tyendinaga Mohawk Territory after the war and we do not have any information about descendants.

He married Marion Milne in Toronto on the 24th of July, 1926. [*Marriage Registration from Archives of Ontario*]

Milton Greene died on the 27th of June, 1966 at Sunnybrook Hospital, in Toronto.

Milton's brother, Austin, also served in the 4th Battalion during World War One and was wounded on the 2nd of September, 1918, during the advance on the Canal de

Nord. Shortly after, Austin died of his wounds and was buried in France.

Most of this information is from the Military Personnel file of Milton Greene.

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Both of these files can be viewed in their entirety on-line at:
<http://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/discover/military-heritage>

World War One

Members of the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte continued to support the British as military allies by signing up to fight in this war. We continue to work on collecting documents and information from the Library & Archives Canada and other sources to help us identify members who were involved.

Another invaluable resource is our community members. We appreciate your help collecting photographs and other items, and hope that you continue to support us in this effort. We are always looking for things that help us tell the story of our community during this time in our history.

Below is a list of names that we have so far. We ask the community to help us ensure that we have not missed anyone. Please review the list and contact us if there is an error or omission. amyc@mbq-tmt.org or 613-396-3424

Bannister, James Albert	Claus, Ira Alfred	Maracle, Isaac
Bardy, Alexander	Claus, Stafford	Maracle, Jacob
Bardy, Frank	Clause, Ambrose	Maracle, John (Charlie)
Bardy, James	Clause, Huron	Maracle, John H.
Bardy, Louis Sherman	Corby, Harry	Maracle, Joseph
Barnhart, Con [Cornelius]	Corby, Jake	Maracle, Mark
Barnhardt, Harry D.	Corby, Joseph	Maracle, Nelson
Barnhardt, Harry F.	Corby, Matthew	Maracle, Peter William
Barnhardt, Isaac [served as Isaac McDonald]	Corby, Samuel	Maracle, Philip
Barnhardt, James Nelson	Crawford, Cecil Ernest	Maracle, Solomon
Barnhardt, Peter	Crawford, Lewis Robert	Maracle, Wesley
Barnhardt, William Henry	Crawford, Percy Overton	Maracle, Wheeler
Bernhardt, David Stanley	Culbertson, John	Maracle, William Edward
Bernhardt, Joseph	Alexander	Miller, Norman Albert
Edward	Doreen, William	Mungo, Harry Anthony
Bernhardt, Marvel	Fuller, Bertram	Mungo, Thomas
Galveston	Green, Austin	Penn, Joseph
Bernhart, Jacob	Green, David	Pinn, William
Bey, Alexander	Green, Jacob	Powles, David Austin
Brant, Alfred A.	Green, Jake	Powles, Joab Walter
Brant, Brant	Green, James	Powless, Charles David
Brant, Burget	Green, Jonas	Powless, David J.
Brant, Burton	Green, Sampson	Powless, Harold
Brant, Charles Arthur	Greene, Milton	Powless, Harold Dean
Brant, Charles Clinton	Hill, John	Powless, Hughie Norval
Brant, Ernest Russell	Hill, Joseph Bernard	Powless, Isaac
Brant, George	Hill, Thomas	Powless, Peter
Brant, Hugh	Hill, Thomas [served as Thomas Brant]	Sager, Montaville
Brant, John	Jaynes, Daniel	Sero, Reuben
Brant, Matthew	Johns, Orval	Smart, George Leo
Brant, Philip	Loft, Andrew	Smart, Harold
Brant, Randall	Maracle, Anthony	Smart, Joseph Laheed
Brant, Richard	Maracle, Clarence	Smart, Joseph William
Brant, Wilbert	Maracle, George Mark	Williams, George
Brant, Wilbert	[served as George Mark Hill]	
Brant, William [served as William Sero]	Maracle, Goldie	