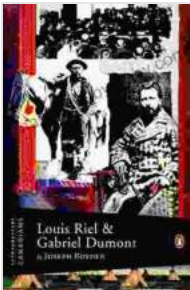


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Louis Riel

Louis Riel was born in the Red River Colony in 1844. He was the son of a French-Canadian father and a Metis mother. Riel was a brilliant student, and he was fluent in both French and English. He also had a deep love for his Metis heritage.

In 1869, Riel was elected to represent the Metis people in the Canadian Parliament. However, he was expelled from Parliament because he was not a British subject. This led to the Red River Rebellion, which Riel led in an attempt to establish a Metis homeland.

The Red River Rebellion was defeated, and Riel was captured and executed for treason. However, Riel's legacy continues to live on. He is considered to be a hero by many Canadians, and his story is still told today.

Gabriel Dumont

Gabriel Dumont was born in the Red River Colony in 1837. He was the son of a French-Canadian father and a Metis mother. Dumont was a skilled hunter and trapper, and he was also a gifted military leader.

Dumont was one of the leaders of the Red River Rebellion. He commanded the Metis forces at the Battle of Seven Oaks, which was a major victory for the Metis. However, the rebellion was eventually defeated, and Dumont was forced to flee to the United States.

Dumont returned to Canada in 1885, and he participated in the North-West Rebellion. He was captured and sentenced to death, but his sentence was commuted to life in prison. Dumont was released from prison in 1888, and he lived in Montana until his death in 1906.

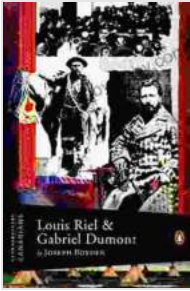
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