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During the early part of the year 1774 a robbery was committed by some Indians on certain settlers on land along the Ohio river and in the territory which was then within the jurisdiction of Virginia.

The whites, as customary, retaliated, and not only Indian cabins were despoiled and burned, but Indian women and children were murdered by the irrepressible bands which undertook the punishment of the Indians on their own responsibility.

Among the victims of these massacres were the wife and children of "Ta-gah-jute, a Mingo chief, who was better known as Logan, a name given him in honor of Secretary James Logan of the Pennsylvania colony.

This wanton killing of the members of his own family transformed Logan's friendly feeling into mortal hatred, and he entered upon a period of revenge which gave the Virginians a very great deal of trouble. When the hostile Indians were finally defeated, all the chiefs save Logan sued for peace. Instead of appearing as a suppliant at the treaty council, Logan delivered his famous speech to General John Gibson, the only

one who was familiar with the Mingo language. It ran as follows, and has become historic:

"I appeal to any white man to say if ever he entered Logan's cabin hungry and he gave him not meat, if ever he came cold and naked and he clothed him not. Such was my love for the whites that my countrymen pointed as they passed and said: 'Logan is a friend of the white man.' For my country I rejoice at the beams of peace. But do not harbor the thought that mine is the joy of fear. He will not turn on his heel to save his life. Who is there to mourn for Logan now? Not one."

"I may challenge the whole orations Demosthenes and Cicero," wrote Thomas Jefferson in his "Virginia Notes," "to produce a single passage superior to the speech of Logan, a Mingo chief, to Lord Dunmore, when the latter was Governor of Virginia."

Logan was the son of the famous Cayuga chief, and was born about 1725, near the Moravian settlement in Northumberland county, Pa. Throughout Pennsylvania, and Virginia as well, Logan grew to be known and respected. He was point-

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