

## Reminiscences

Dedicated to the Waterdown C. G. I.  
T. by the Author

There was a club in Waterdown,  
And it was wondrous gay—  
All sorts of plans were thought of  
Where to spend a holiday.

And "Orillia" was decided,  
—Not a one had been before,  
So to new thrills all looked forward,  
And adventures by the score.

So one "5 a. m." they started  
—Nothing later could be tried!  
Chaperoneless! all excited!  
Undeterred by wind or tide.

They were laden down with baggage,  
They had baskets, one and all,  
For their future meals depended  
On what larders they might call.

Well, they reached their destination,  
On Tecumseth street, it was,  
Chaperones were there to greet them,  
And lay down a few laws.

Two, each day, should do the cooking  
Without murmur or complain,  
Household goods should not be  
harmed  
Lest fun be on the wane.

Well—they started in immediate  
To paint the old town red,  
And cheer the neighbors up forsooth  
No matter what they said.

Where'er you went you'd see them,  
In pairs or in a bunch,  
Hiking off for somewhere,  
Or to the park for lunch.

When each would seize a basket,  
Spoons, or dishes, or the pie,  
And thus were meals transported  
Without a single sigh.

They went bathing (?) in the bathtub  
If the lake was o'er forbidden;  
They held "sings" upon the stair  
steps  
With a fiendish joy unhidden.

And—Oh my, they met the Plunketts,  
Basked in Albert's winning smile,  
And thereafter lived on memories  
Love lorn maidens beat a mile.

And they saw a real live author,  
One of true Orillia fame,  
Whose stories they had read before,  
Marian Keith by name.

Old Home Week brought diversions,  
Fireworks, concerts, games and  
such,  
While of dancing on the pavement  
They never got too much.

They went to Church demurely,  
To the movies—each and all,  
In motor boats, and rowing boats,  
Nor in the lake did fall.

They "swam" the lake—they fished  
the fish,  
They saw all that they could,  
And always ready were to eat,  
And my! Those "eats" were good.

One morn they rose at 4 a. m.  
To speed a parting guest,  
They loved him well—he'd helped  
the cooks,  
And they must do their best.

To raise a racket in the town  
And wake the tired folks,  
And practice up on "Georgia"  
How one wished for bad egg yolks.

But one sad lack was ever felt  
Thro' all the golden hours;  
Young men were scarce as old hen's  
teeth,  
Or January flowers.

Three brave Horatios—all they saw,  
But what did three avail?  
Tho' one could swim and one canoe,  
The "leftovers" would wait.

The chaperones lived through it all,  
A miracle, you'd say,  
Tho' one the rest cure had to take,  
When they were well away.

And yet in dreams she lived it o'er,  
And heard that sweet (?) refrain,  
"Georgia my happy home,  
(May I ne'er hear thee again).

The neighbors too have had some  
sleep,  
The towns fallen in its wont  
Of dignity and quietness;  
—Enjoy it? No we don't.  
Orillia, August 26, 1922.

# To Holders of Five Year 5½ per cent Canada's Victory Bonds

Issued in 1917 and Maturing 1st December, 1922.

## CONVERSION PROPOSALS

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE offers to holders of these bonds who desire to continue their investment in Dominion of Canada securities the privilege of exchanging the maturing bonds for new bonds bearing 5½ per cent interest, payable half yearly, of either of the following classes:—

- (a) Five year bonds, dated 1st November, 1922, to mature 1st November, 1927.
- (b) Ten year bonds, dated 1st November, 1922, to mature 1st November, 1932.

While the maturing bonds will carry interest to 1st December, 1922, the new bonds will commence to earn interest from 1st November, 1922, GIVING A BONUS OF A FULL MONTH'S INTEREST TO THOSE AVAILING THEMSELVES OF THE CONVERSION PRIVILEGE.

This offer is made to holders of the maturing bonds and is not open to other investors. The bonds to be issued under this proposal will be substantially of the same character as those which are maturing, except that the exemption from taxation does not apply to the new issue.

Holders of the maturing bonds who wish to avail themselves of this conversion privilege should take their bonds AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE, BUT NOT LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 30th, to a Branch of any Chartered Bank in Canada and receive in exchange an official receipt for the bonds surrendered, containing an undertaking to deliver the corresponding bonds of the new issue.

Holders of maturing fully registered bonds, interest payable by cheque from Ottawa, will receive their December 1 interest cheque as usual. Holders of coupon bonds will detach and retain the last unexpired coupon before surrendering the bond itself for conversion purposes.

The surrendered bonds will be forwarded by banks to the Minister of Finance at Ottawa, where they will be exchanged for bonds of the new issue, in fully registered, or coupon registered or coupon bearer form carrying interest payable 1st May and 1st November of each year of the duration of the loan, the first interest payment accruing and payable 1st May, 1923. Bonds of the new issue will be sent to the banks for delivery immediately after the receipt of the surrendered bonds.

The bonds of the maturing issue which are not converted under this proposal will be paid off in cash on the 1st December, 1922.

W. S. FIELDING,  
Minister of Finance.

Dated at Ottawa, 8th August, 1922.

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