

# The Alpine Club of The Methodist Church

Cobourg 1918



Where are the people shown in the photograph above? Who are their descendants? Left to right, top row; George Burch, Albert Stinson, Harold Hilliard, Fred Mitchell, Norman Allan, Clark Mitchell; second row; Stuart Henderson, Cecil Climo (inset), Edwin Guillet, George Kelley (manager), George Bushey, Harold Worth. Bat Boys: Stuart Jacobs, Brock Leonard. The Cobourg Interchurch Baseball League was organized during Winter of 1914 and started operation in 1915 Summer; teams entered from Methodist, Presbyterian, St. Peters and St. Michaels churches. Trophy for the Junior Division of the league was donated by the late Sam Clarke, Esq. M.P.P. This picture was taken at the end of the 1915 season and is of the Alpine Club of the Methodist Church.

Subsequent winners were St. Peter's Church, 1916, St. Andrew's Church, 1917, The Alpine Club of the Methodist Church, 1918. The league functioned with great difficulty following the 1915 inception, as many of the young men eligible for military service enlisted in Cobourg Heavy Battery and served overseas to the end of the war. The league ceased to function after the 1918 season. There was also a Senior division in this league, of players over 21. Teams from St. Michaels, St. Peters and Presbyterian churches comprised this section which also ceased to function after 1918. Trophy winners in this division were St. Michaels and Presbyterian churches. Photo lent by Stuart H. Jacobs, 93 Tanglewylde Avenue, Bronxville, N.Y., 10708.

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*Trip by Port Hope "Second  
Mile club - July 12, 1983*

**By Greta Skinner**  
On Tuesday, July 12, the Second Mile Club went on a boat trip to Peterborough. We left Port Hope about 11 a.m. We proceeded to Cobourg where we took the road north past the Golden Plough Lodge through Camborne, Cold Springs and Plainville to Gore's Landing. [We had lunch at the Victoria Inn.

Russia, Queen Victoria and Prince Albert, and four presidents of the United States. Gerald Hayward was the son of Captain Alfred Hayward and Caroline Hayward. Their home was Ravenscourt on the Telephone Road, just north of Port Hope. They were a genteel, hospitable people. Caroline Hayward was an artist and her two sons had inherited her talent. Gerald was famous for miniatures and Alfred for flower paintings.]

trees, immense ferns, small sandy beaches, parks, carefree happy children at play, cottages and farms. It was a pleasant trip past an ever-changing panorama. We went through the locks accompanied by Martin, a beautiful Siamese cat. On one of the trips through the locks, Martin had met another Siamese cat. But alas, his new friend had continued on her journey, while Martin, the home body that he was, had stayed at the locks. But Martin has never forgotten his friend. Who knows, some day they may meet again

The inn is furnished in the style of a home in the time of Queen Victoria. There are old-fashioned organs, braided rugs, a spinning wheel, fireplace, wide golden oak sideboard, as well as many odds and ends that were to be found in a home at the turn of the century.

At the Gore's Landing dock, we boarded an enclosed sight-seeing boat, Caravelle II, for Peterborough. In the extreme heat, a boat ride was appreciated.

We passed the centennial fountain and soon after we were at the dock. It had been a lovely day.

In the early 1900s, the inn was known as The Willows and was the private summer residence of the gifted artist Gerald Hayward.

We went across Rice Lake to the Otonabee River. We passed vacationers in row boats, motor boats and house boats. The banks of the river were lined with large willow

Many thanks to Helen Rowe, who plans our trips and to Harry Burley, our capable and courteous driver, who drove us to and from Rice Lake.

*[Gerald Hayward]*