

else and this after-noon we got another load. I cut some of the lawn after I got back. This morning Frank drove Dick down and brought Aunty back and Dad. I brought in the rest of my O.C. 72 oats and stacked them around in the barn Aunty Alice walked over this after-noon and to-night she, Enah, Frank & I played Pedro and Aunty Alice told our fortunes by our hands. It is a pity we couldn't bank on her prophecies because the future certainly looks brilliant for most of us. *Friday but sully*

Friday August 24<sup>th</sup>

I spent most of the morning digging and weighing up my two plots of Guelph potatoes. they were a very slim crop and weren't ripe but I thought they were going to rot anyway so I dug them. There was only enough for two or three good square meals on both plots, but the Davis Warrior out classed the Eureka in every respect. They were larger and more of them and not so many rotten ones. Fred Johnson came over this morning and he and Frank went out with the guns this morning to shoot a hawk but didn't get him. Ruby came over about noon to tell us he thought things were nearly settled as Porter the head office man in Simcoe had been down to see him and get his age

and such like. I drove him down before dinner and got the paper. It began to rain soon after dinner and poured most of the after-noon, it was one of the worst we have had and to-night there were some pretty close claps of thunder. Mrs. M: Birds was here all the after-noon. To-night Aunty, Aunty Alice, Fred, Frank & I had a game of rum under Fred's instructions. We didn't do anything all the after-noon but sit around the house.

Wednesday August 25<sup>th</sup>

Frank drove Dick down this morning and Aunty went down with them to stay for awhile as she wants to fix things up a little down there. Frank brought Mrs. Johnson, Bess with him and she has been here spending the day with Enah. Billy Louis was in for quite awhile this morning to see Dad about a sick cow or something and they were bewailing our common sad plight but Billy has got past his streak of profanity and come to the conclusion that there are other poor devils worse off than we are. Frank, Fred & I pulled the weeds out in the raspberry patch but didn't do much else all morning. This after-noon I drove Aunty Alice down town and she is going to stay down with Aunty. We met Lila on the way down and she informed us with great glee that Ruby had just been sworn in and passed his medical examination or