

1909

A NIAGARA FALLS HONEYMOON

George McKibbin, farmer, of Mount Hope, Ontario, and Mary Barnard from Norwich, Ontario, a member of the Office Staff of Gordon Mackay Company, Toronto, were married by the Reverend Fred Wilkinson in St. Peter's Anglican Church in that city, June 30th, 1909. A day so hot that the groom and best man in their new navy blue serge suits, long before summer weight suiting became available, nearly folded up with the heat. The bride and bride's maid fared better in their lace trimmed voile gowns with puffed sleeves.

After the ceremony the Bridal Couple took the boat for Niagara, and registered in a hotel overlooking the water fall in Niagara Falls.

Was the sight of one of the Natural Wonders of America, the world's greatest waterfall in volume the highlight of their wedding trip? No. It was their first ride in an automobile. Mary had her leghorn hat tied down with a scarf, and sand in her eyes, and George was gritting his teeth on sand, as they speeded down an unpaved street in Niagara Falls at twenty miles an hour.

In later years in a mellow moment, they would tell their children of this never-to-be forgotten experience on their honeymoon in Niagara Falls.



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