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Finished writing in the
~~10th~~ book on April 19th
1899 and began in this
the ~~11th~~ one on April
20th 1899

(1)

1899 Snowed all day wet and
Apr 10 Sloppy. Belgie helped
Mark & I we got all the
manure out of stable where
^{the cattle & swine are} were. Mark & I also sharpened
girth hoe. Wind N.E. all
day and snow never stopped
about an inch on ground yet
not thawed

"21 Plowed 45 bushels
wheat forenoon Mark began
to plow east of house after
dinner ground is damp and we
still strike lots of frost
I went to Mackinac for mail
afternoon. Snow about all
gone wind South & warm today
Belgie cutting brush

"22 Maggie & I went to Oak
Lake forenoon & she had all
her lower teeth drawn, got
home noon, Mark plowed east
of home all day frost still

(2)

1899 in ground, got very windy
about ten and blew a hur-
ricane after that dust flying
in all directions. Sent sister
Reliza \$100.00 today

Apr 14 A beautiful day the first
real nice day we have had
I ran Cultivator forenoon
in fallow and went to
Oak Lake after tree about
our new school met teacher
there. Mark plowed a
little forenoon and then
harrowed

"25 A very hot day and hardly
a breath of wind until
near night when it blew
South awhile, I ran Cul-
tivator until noon then
plowed with Suedy after
Mark harrowed until noon
and then drilled in wheat
near W. R. Smith's ^{the other side of} track

(3)

1899 Rained this morn. So we
Apr 26 Could do nothing in field
until near ten o'clock, another
very heavy shower of rain
afternoon. Mark finished
drilling in east of house
all that was ready, then
harrowed what is sown.
Near W. R. Co. Then began on
Cultivator in fallow.

" 27 A cool day and horses
did not sweat any. I
plowed east of house
and did all I could with
Silky will finish rest
with walking plow. Mark
finished with Cultivator in
fallow. at noon and began
to harrow after. Maggie took
children to school. Then went
on to her mother and stayed
until evening. A small shower
of hail this evening.

(4)

1899 A very cold day I wore
April 28 cap and mitts all day
on plow. Started plowing south
of pasture. Mark finished
harrowing fallow. at noon
and drilled in it after.
" 29 Ground frozen so hard
this morn. we could not
drill. Mark finished plowing
east of house and then
Came south of pasture and
helped. we until noon after
noon he drilled in fallow.
Very cold until about three
when it got warmer and
was nice temp. Maggie
& Melville went to Car. Lake
with May in buggy

(5)

1899 A very cold forenoon
Windy N.E. and cold
I went to Oak Lake forenoon
with Charlie in buggy
and got two pads for Callers
plowed afternoon, saw some
straw afternoon but wind
very cold. Mark finished
sowing follow today and
sowed a piece in pasture.
" 2 Very cold all day, at noon
we cleaned up stables and blue
stred some what then went out
at 2 o'clock but only stayed
a few minutes as it began to
hail & rain, kept it up all
afternoon and raining hard so
we go to bed also snowing a
little. Mark harrowed Sod
until we stopped at 7:30
wind has been east & north
east these last few days
and we may have a lot of snow.

(6)

1899 Rained & snowed all
May 3 night and six inches of
wet snow on ground when we
got up and still raining
hard, our stable leaking
like a sieve and everything
very wet and disagreeable
Mark & I cleaned over all
seeds forenoon and have
nine bags ready for chop-
ping, Rained & snowed all
day and we sat in house
" 4 A dull, dark, cold day
Mark & I plowed all day
but it was very unpleasant
we had a half dozen flurries
of snow and also a little
rain, We cleaned out all
the stable at noon things
in awful shape and
one young pig died. Lead
badly with turning in water
hard to plow

(7)

1899 Sun shore clear all
May 5 day but wind was cold
from north. I plowed all
day and Mack drew off
straw & then plowed.

Let cows into pasture today
for first time

" 6 A clear bright day and
Sun shore strong wind blew
hard from east & south. Mack
& Williams & I plowed all
day, cant go near any sloughs
and have a great time getting
around them. Maggie & Errol
went to Oak Lake today

" 8 A beautiful warm day wind
S.W. I plowed a while with
walking plow in long and Mack
harrowed, then Errol harrowed
and Mack plowed & I done
chores. Maggie & I went to
Giswold afternoon I got Cuttings
at C Harris' for planting

(8)

1899 Sun shore all day and
May 9 warm but afternoon was very
windy blew a regular gale.

Mack drilled all day and
Errol harrowed east of
house got it all seeded and
harrowed now I set out
fruit trees and also moved
Russian Poplars from field
to west of house.

" 10 A very windy day from
N.W. and air full of flying
ground pretty cold I had
floods & float on all day and
was none too warm. Mack
harrowed forenoon & drilled
after. I plowed all day

" 11 Very close and warm forenoon
a very slight breeze from S.W. but
at noon wind turned east and at
four o'clock we had a good show-
er of rain after that wind blew a
hurricane air was full of drifting

(9)

1899 ground and was very cold nearly impossible to stand it with caps & mitts on we left field and came in at six o'clock. Mark drilled a while in crop and then harrowed balance of day.

May 12 Wind N.W. all day and very cold I plowed with Sulky and had overcoat fur cap & mitts on and was none too warm. Mark plowed forenoon and hanged after. Put Campfire here tonight.

"13 A clear bright day and sun shone strong, heavy white frost this morn. ice gauges of an inch thick a cool breeze all day. I went to Oak Lake forenoon and plowed after. Mark harrowed forenoon and drilled after.

(10)

1899 Wind N.E. all day and May 15 Cold wore fur cap and mitt on plow and was none too warm. Mark finished seeding all that was ready South of pasture and plowed after another couple of hours would finish no plowing for wheat only a small piece that manure has to be spread on, and some sloughs.

"16 Raining & snowing when we got up this morn. but not very heavy. I went to Oak Lake forenoon, Mark did chores and then spread manure east of house. We finished plowing for wheat near G. R. Smith's and are done plowing for wheat now only some places where it is wet and we will plow later. Got garden plowed and harrowed today. Wind North east all day.

(11)

1899 Dull & dark nearly all
May 17 day but sun & home a
shout while in afternoon
wind N. & we had a few
small showers of rain but
not enough to make us
leave work. Mark harrowed
for wheat forenoon and
drilled after nearly finished
it. I plowed for oats
west of hay pasture all
day.

" 18 Wind east all day but
clear and bright, sun shone
strong all day Mark harrowed
field south of pasture across
all day. I spread manure
east of house and finished
it. Maggie left Cecil & Grace
at her mother and went on
to I Waneys to Ladies Aid.
That this morn.

(12)

1899 Wind east all day and cool,
May 19 blowing hard and dust
flying. Mark finished harrowing
wheel at south of ~~pasture~~ across
I pulled weed in wheat and
pointed some pickets

" 20 I took out fine pigs to
Grimold forenoon sold
them to Benson at 4 $\frac{1}{4}$ after
noon went to Oak Lake and
signed deed to Mrs Smith
for house & lot in Oak Lake
Wind east all day and
blew very hard sand & dust
blowing every where. Mark
dove spade for fence around
pasture

" 22 Wind east until about five
o'clock when it got south and
we had a slight sprinkle of
rain, rest of day blew hard
from east and dust flew
a good deal. Mark & I

(13)

1899 fixed pasture fence
until noon, then drew
three loads wood from bluff
and then planted potatoes, we
did not finish them but
ought too by sun tomorrow
Chappie went to Griswold
afternoon

May 23 Finished planting potatoes
at three o'clock then I began
to plow east of house where
manure was. Grant harrowed
all the potato & turnip ground
Rained a nice shower aft-
ernoon but not heavy.
" 24 Dunes 80 today, very hot
and close the hottest we had
this year. Grant sowed
turnips all forenoon
then helped me plow east
of house, we finished it at
five then he harrowed, I
plowed for oats after west of hog

(14)

1899 Dark & cloudy all day wind
Wray's east & S.E. Sprinkled rain
half a dozen times through day
but did not stop us working
after we unhitched at night
it began to rain hard and
is still at it as we go to bed.
I plowed west of hog pasture
all day for oats. Frank sowed
wheat where manure is east
of house & finished that
piece, then he came and
harrowed what oat ground
was plowed and also sowed
three bags. Got Mr. Miller's
here yesterday

" 26 Wind N.E. all day and cold drizzled
& rained slightly nearly all day. I plowed
for oats west of hog pasture all day
Frank plowed harrowed & drilled
there also. A very disagreeable day

(15)

1899 Dull and mucky forenoon and
May 27 drizzled some rain, at noon
sun came out and it was very
warm & clear for awhile but wind
began to blow again from east
& it got cool & nice, several
thunder storms passed and
we got a slight sprinkle of rain
but very little and wind
turned west before night.

I finished plowing for oats
west of hog pasture at noon,
and Mark finished sowing
& harrowing it at night. I
plowed for oats on east 1/4
north end of it afternoon we
will put in 30 acres there

" 29 A clear beautiful day wind west
cool & very nice. Mark & I plowed
for oats east of house I made
25 rounds on half mile. Went to
see J. Little tonight he has
Carpenter and is bad

(16)

1899 Clear and bright forenoon
May 30 with sun shining, afternoon
cloudy and dull cool all day
and wind east. I plowed for oats
all day. Mark plowed until
noon and after he harrowed
" 31 Wind east but very little of
it and it was very clear and
warm until five o'clock when
it got wind turned west and
it got quite cool. Mark harrowed
until noon and then killed
after. I plowed all day. Mr
& Mrs Smith here for dinner
Rained a few drops this evening

June 1st A very heavy dew this morning
and also a mist clear and very
hot all day. Mark & I plowed
for oats all day. Maggie went to
Cox Lake forenoon for sweet feed
for the. Rained a good heavy
shower tonight

(17)

1899 Father dead 26 years today
June 2 and Mother's Tomb is 42.

Wind N.E. all day and it kept
sprinkling rain all day but
not enough to make us stop
work, very cool and Dew did
not shine.

" 3 Raining when we got up and
kept at it all day sometimes
very slightly, but very heavy
at times Wind east all day
I went to Mrs. Newton in evening
and afternoon went to Oak
Lake in wagon took out plow
to be fixed and brought home a
disc harrow. Mark sick
in bed all day

" 5 Clear & warm all day a slight
breeze from west but wind got
east about bed time. I finished
plowing for oats east and then
started for barley, ground soaked
with water Mark finished ^{out} stalling in

(18)

1899 Raining when we got up
June 6 this morn. and had been at it
for some time ground covered all
around with water kept rain-
ing until ten o'clock a lot fell
and our stable in terrible shape
Hedley Young came today and
traded out to us barley with one.

Mark very sick with quinsy
" 7 I went to R. L. Langs today
with grey mare, colt & calf,
got home near dark wind
blowing strong from N.W. and
very cold, a couple of slight
showers today. Let the calves
out for first time today.

Mark still very sick and
can't do anything

" 8 I took Louise Cow out to
C. Burns this morn. sold her
at $4\frac{7}{8}$ Mark came with me
and got medicine from doctor
which made him a lot

(19)

1899 better. Afternoon I took out all the wheat I had to Griswold and sold it at 53¢ Mizzie & Cecil came with me. A beautiful day and drying up well.

June 9 I hauled in trees all day and killed pig in evening. Mark began to work again at noon and drew load of hay from J. Carpenters and also from R. Kennedys. A nice dry day until seven o'clock when we had a small shower but it must have rained very heavily north. Mizzie went to A. Dobsons today.

10 A nice clear day here but heavy thunder, lightning & rain north of here. Liberal meeting at Griswold today. Philus & I went out with many there. Mrs. Kennedy a daughter today.

(20)

1899 Dull & dark all day no sun, June 12 wind east, rained a very heavy shower this morn. I went to Oak Lake forenoon got point shaped and harrow teeth fixed. Mark began plowing for barley at nine o'clock, we both plowed all afternoon had letter from W. Slopes his brother died on 5th June 13 kept dark & drizzled rain nearly all day did not go out to plow until nine o'clock, and had to come in at eleven, afternoon came in again about four on a sp of rain but went out again, very damp and disagreeable but grain growing very fast. Moved stone into back kitchen today, and room stone into kitchen.

(21)

1899 A clear nice day Sun
June 14 Shone very hot at times
and wind kept east but we
had no rain. I plowed all
day for barley Mark plow
went until noon then har-
rowed after

"15 A beautiful warm day Sun
Shone all day and there was
just enough breeze from S.W.
to keep it from being too
warm. Mark harrowed barley
ground until noon then drilled
with W. Williams drill after
I finished plowing at noon
and harrowed after.

Insured N.W. 1/4. S. 1/4. 23 today
against hail put \$800⁰⁰ on
the quarter section

"16 A beautiful day slight breeze
from S.W. but Sun very hot
Mark sealed buggy all day and
finished it he also seeded a

(22)

1899 Sough in wheat with oats
I harrowed barley ground cross
ways all day. A little thunder
& lightning and a shower of
rain went east we also got
a dozen drops at noon

June 17 A very hot day and grain growing
very fast. I finished harrowing
barley early forenoon and Mark
also finished seeding in hog pasture
then began to rain did harrow
with four horses on it, he is
finishing it the second goes over with
disc. I hoes among trees

"18 Very windy from west all day
but wind went down with
Sun, clear & Sun shone all day
Mark finished running disc
and harrowing hog pasture
then ran disc in piece in
cow pasture. I hoes in
garden and among trees
all day

(23)

1899 Cool and pleasant forenoon
June 20 but at two o'clock it be-
gan to rain and kept it up,
all afternoon I harrowed in
pasture forenoon and also
went to sloughs near west
line and tried to plow there
but it is still too soft Mark
plowed place where stubs
weed was for turnips. Mark
and I washed & oiled a
set of harness in evening

"21 Raining before we got up
this morn. and kept it up a
couple of hours ground very
wet again. I went to Mr.
McCallum's forenoon Mark
washed and oiled harness.
afternoon Mark opened out
furrows in fallow. I hauled
and put harness together.
Maggie went to Ladies Aid at
her mothers today

(24)

1899 I began to plow in fallow
June 22 this morn. and worked there
until noon, am striking quite
a few roots. afternoon I ran
cultivator among trees and
also harrowed there all.
Mark plowed a wet place we
had left in wheat field near
west line and sowed it with
oats afternoon also harrowed
and finished it, he also
finished sowing in pasture.
Cool all day and wind north
west had a couple of small
showers of rain but nothing
to signify

"23 A very hot day but a few times
during the day wind was cool
I plowed in fallow all day
Mark drew poles and roots from
where Belgia has been cutting there
I sowed Barne Grass this
morning

(25)

1899 A very hot day hardly any
June 24 breeze and sun very hot
I plowed in fallow all day
Mark bucket hump forenoon
and afternoon he started
to break made three rounds
it does not go well yet

" 26 Very windy from S.E. all fore
noon not so much wind after
and very hot, Thunder & lightning
as we go to bed and looks like
rain. I plowed in fallow fore-
noon and went to Oak Lake
to hear Mr Bedford after, got
home 7.00. Mark broke forenoon
with two horses and after
noon with three

" 27 A nice day rained a shower
last night but not much clear
and bright all day. I went to Sim-
mond forenoon bought horse from
Bert Young gave him 90⁰⁰ & very
sultry plow for it, went to

(26)

1899 Oak Lake afternoon & brought
home young plow from
Mansey Harris. very hot at
times

June 28 Maggie went to Sunday
School Convention today.
Got home ten thirty at night,
I hoed in garden forenoon
Mr McLean came after tea dinner
and we started young plow.
Mark harrowed and
picked roots, very hot
and lots of thunder &
lightning around tonight.

" 29 A very hot day I only made
two rounds on fallow and
horses sweat fearfully, no
wind at all. We had a small
shower of rain last night, but
lots of thunder & lightning.
Mark plowed in fallow all
day also, it will take lots of
time as there is a lot of roots

(27)

1899 Not quite so hot today, as
June 30 it has been but still
pretty warm. We both plowed
all day I went to Oak Lake
with Gary after seven my
gay not working very well,
Errol came with me and
it poured rain as we coming
home, we needed this rain
and it will do good
July 1st A cool day a stiff breeze
blowing from W. and horses
did not sweat any, Mark
and I plowed in fallow
all day. Bessie done his
brushing he went to sports
at Oak Lake today with
W. Williams. Maggie & children
went to her mother's afternoon
" 3 Plowed all day Mark & I
in fallow, we quit early and
fixed up dinner and began to
cut some grass front of house

(28)

1899 Mr & Mrs Smith here for
a while today. I went to Mrs
McCallum's tonight and made
arrangements to go to Oak Lake
tomorrow. A nice day not
too hot
July 4th Dark & cloudy this day, also
cool Mark finished cutting some
grass early. I went out to Oak
Lake at nine with Mrs McCallum
and did not get home until
midnight, we were revising the
notes list there and had a big
day there. Maggie came out in
afternoon and had her teeth
attended too by dentist. Mr
Leaw here and Mark says he
made gay plow work all
right
" 5 A cool clear day wind east and
N.E. Mark & I plowed until
noon then he went for Williams
home rattle and we ratted up

(29)

1899 Brome hay and got it in
coils finished at 4.30 after
that he harrowed and I
plowed again, gang plow
not working very well and
hind mold board still don't
clear

July 6 Frank harrowed in fallow
and I plowed until noon
then we drew in hay from
in front of house, we had
five good loads of it. A cool
nice day wind west in day, but
got around to N.E. before night
" 7 A very hot day. Frank finished
all the fallow that was
ready then afternoon he
plowed I plowed in it all
day. Maggie & children went
to picnic today in Mrs
Little's bluff a school
picnic

(30)

1899 Frank & I plowed until noon
July 8 then I wrote letters until
four, and went to Oak Lake
Frank drove gang afternoon, I
brought home a moleboard for
plow and will try it instead
of one that won't clear row.
A hot day and very little wind
Thunder & lightning in east &
west tonight, we had a dozen
drops of rain but nothing to
do any good. never saw fallow
so hard nearly impossible to
plow then and grain needs
rain now

" 10 Wind east all day and sun
very hot at times. Frank plowed
with gang all day. School meeting
here at 10 a.m. Mr. Ryan, H. Young
and myself appointed trustees
I went to Vidua afternoon to see
Lay School Inspector but he
was not there got home 10.30

(31)

1899 Sold old wagon, trap & basket rack to Mark's brother today, he is to give me fifteen days stock threshing for it

July 11 I took W.R. Smith's horses home this morn. and then went to plow in fallow I worked there balance of day, Mark plowed there all day. Very hot afternoon and horses sweat all over, ground very dry and we need rain badly.

" 12 Trustee meeting here this morn. Mr Ryan is Chairman of board and I am Sec. Treas. I did not plow any until noon, Mark plowed all day. pretty hot but a nice breeze from N. all day. G. Anderson here for dinner. No sign of rain and we need it badly wheat heading out fast

(32)

1899 Very hot this morn. then wind July 13 began from SW and kept cool until five when it got very hot again. Mark & I plowed all day. Belfie began again today to cut some scrub. Maggie went up to her father's today.

" 14 Mr Bethells, wife & two children here for dinner also A. R. Speer and J. Demons, I sold Archie my two cows. Mark plowed in fallow all day, I did also only four hours. I sat at noon. Cloudy and heavy thunder & lightning all afternoon. Showers went both north, south & west but we got none, and we need it very badly, wheat shooting out very cloudy Mrs Irvine here for tea

(33)

1899 A nice cool breeze nearly
July 15 - all day but near night
it got very hot & close. I fin-
ished with gang plow in fallow
only a few head lands, it
will take about a
day and a half yet to clean
out furrows. A lot of
rain went around today very
heavy showers both north &
east but we only got a very slight
sprinkle. We need rain very
badly ground dry and grain
turning yellow for it.

" 17 A very hot day with a
slight breeze from S.W.
I finished with gang plow
at ten o'clock then hoed un-
til noon after that cut ripe
grass in pasture with scythes.
Mark cleaned out furrows
and plowed head lands in
fallow afternoon. Still very dry

(34)

1899 A fearful hot day I
July 18 think the worst of the season
I finished cutting hay forenoon
also cut weeds along road
towards J. Milner, afternoon
raked up ripe grass in
pasture and got it coiled
then hoed in pasture garden.
Mark finished plowing fallow
forenoon then harrowed
there after. Tonight a big thun-
der and lightning storm west
kept steady at it for over
an hour, we only got a small
shower I wish it would pour
here as we need it in the
worst shape.

" 19 Heavy thunder at three
o'clock this may east & north
but we got no rain. I wrote
letters forenoon then took out seeds
to be chopped after, brought home
lumber for rack. Mark harrowed

(35)

1899 basket finished hawking
July 20 follow at noon then
had scuffler in potatoes after
I began to make a basket
rack in camp, but had to go
to Oak Lake for some tools
at noon. Maggie & children went
down to lake today got home
at dark. A nice breeze all
day but sun very hot at
times afternoon. Wind east to
night

21 I worked at basket rack
today and Mack broke, Belgie
Came at noon and burnt
bunch. A nice breeze at times
but fearful hot and close
generally, wind east any time
was clouded up several
times and looked like rain.
but none came everything
drying up some crop cant
be cut they are so short

(36)

1899 I went to Oak Lake first thing
July 21 this morn. took Belgie out
with me, brought home trough
for pump in field and a
little lumber for rack.

Worked at rack afternoon.
Mr Jackson south of river here
for awhile I go to him to
thresh first after my own.
Very close and hot at times
wind east all day looks
cloudy and very much like
rain tonight. Maggie picking
straw berries all day

"My Corral & I took corn out to
Griswold forenoon, I watered
raspberries after and then
burnt bunch Mack broke
all day. Very windy from
north west. Going to thresh
for det. Pump for 4 1/2 cts
cents per bushel.

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1899 Very cloudy most of the day
July 26 and looked like rain but
none came. Maggie's mother,
came last night, she, Maggie,
Grace & I went down to R.L.
Lays today, got home ten tonight
Doris's father, brother & another
Gallician here when we
got home. Our cattle & horses
at Lays in splendid shape.
A few drops of rain fell
today but nothing worth
while. Mark down in poles
today

" 26 I went up to Varden today
exhibition there, Maggie's father
came with me. We had a
slight shower of rain, they
also had a small shower
here. Three Gallicians
here last night I heard of
of them, Doris's father, brother
A nice breeze from NW all day

(38)

1899 Cloudy nearly all day and
July 27 wind strong from west.

Had heavy rain N.E. of here but
we got none. Maggie & I went to
Mrs. Goodwin's funeral today
and had tea at her father's
on way home. Mark broke
all day. Saw hood terns.
School meeting here tonight,
we are to borrow six hundred
dollars to build school

" 28 G. K. Cook died this evening.
I was up for a while tonight.
Mark broke all day and Tom
drew out manure. We had two
small showers today but not
enough to do any good. Very
cool all day, wind north

" 29 Wind N.W. all day and very
cool. Keep dry and grain going back
Mark broke and Tom drew manure
Maggie & I went to Oak Lake, had
tea at Scalletts.

(39)

1899 Cloudy & dark this
July 31 my, and a couple of
small showers came in
forenoon, but at noon
it came in to rain pretty
well and kept at it until
three o'clock, a nice steady
rain and will do a lot of
good, cool tonight with wind
north. Mark broke with
wood, Tom hauled out manure
Dr. Williams helping, afternoon
boys began to take teeth out
of Cyhinder, I went to Oak
Lake & got plow point and
harness fixed.

Aug 1st Cool nearly all day but very
hot at times Mark hark all day
Tom & Dr. Williams hauled out
manure. I hoad in forenoon
and went to Birchold after
brought home a new wagon.
Looks like rain tonight

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1898 Dark & cloudy until soon
Aug 2 or rather about 1.30 when
it began to rain and poured
heavily for an hour a lot
fell and it was all needed.
Tom drew manure all day
I hoad in garden and Mark
plowed. Allen & Dr. J. Young
here tonight I am to take
for them at 4th they to furnish
the teams, they hired three teams
from me at \$3.00 per day

" 3 I went to see Mr Jackson forenoon
afternoon hoad among trees. Maggie
went to Ladies Aid at Mrs Cann
afternoon. Tom drew manure and
Mark plowed. Wind north and
Cool all day

" 4 Pretty hot at times. Tom worked on
road. Mark hark and I hoad among trees
Mr & Mrs Mary Lee for tea also Mr & Mrs
Mr & Mrs Scaretto & Amelia Haney. Heard
there was frost last night but soon gone

(41)

1899 Errol & I went to Oak Lake
Days forenoon, brought home
lumber for rack afternoon
I burnt brush. Mark plowed
and Tom was working on
roads. A nice cool day wind
east

" 7 Wind east all day and
looked like rain Sun shone
at times, Mark broke all day
and Tom drew manure.
Errol & I went to Oak
Lake afternoon saw R. L.
Lay. I can't get hay from
him, our mare Jessie had
a colt at his place last
Friday the 4th

" 8 Tom drew manure all day and
Mark broke I worked about
house fixing rack & Terry
had reds at times and felt
like hail. Dailer inspector
here today our hails in good shape

(42)

1899 A hot close day and a
big storm of rain went south
we got a few drops of it but
nothing to signify. I went to
Oak Lake forenoon and brok
home oil & for machine, after
noon went to see Le Corford
about running machine, he
couldn't come. Mark mowed
slough & forenoon then broke
prairie after. Tom drew manure
we all day.

" 10 Tom finished hauling manure
at noon have 110 loads in the
pile afternoon he & Mark raked
up hay in slough and brok it
in two big loads after that Tom
started with Cultivator on fallow
Mark broke. I went down to
see S Gillispie in Mr. Dammert
place about running machine
he was not at home

(143)

1899 Tom ran Cultivator until
Aug 11 noon and then hitched four
horses on to disc harrow the
Cultivator was pulling up too
much manure & weeds, disc
works with. Mark broke
all day. I went to Griswold
afternoon in buggy to post letters
Saw S Gillespie there, he is
going to truck for Mr Jones.
I went to Mrs Kavata tonight
for mail

"12 Mark broke until noon
and then took Am to Little
well after that he plowed a
piece in pig pasture and also a
piece outside of it for trees
next year. Tom ran disc on
fallow all day. I went to Oak
Lake afternoon. Man here wan-
ted to run engine. Cal all day
A. Camister and P Rusk
cutting wheat

(144)

1899 A beautiful hot day until
Aug 14 east all day but sun hot
and grain ripened a lot. I
hoed in potatoes all day. Mark
broke and Tom ran disc
harrow.

"15 Mark broke all day and
Tom ran disc on fallow
I went to Oak Lake forenoon
and hunt lunch after.
I Bayle here for dinner.
Strong wind all day from
S.W. Sun hot and grain ripen-
ing. Looks like rain tonight

"16 Very windy from west all day
blew a hurricane. W. R. Smith
began to cut wheat in flat. I hoed
potatoes until noon then Mark
broke plow and I had to go to Oak
Lake Civil came also we took sugar
and brought home some. Tom
finished disc at noon and
then harrowed with four horses

(145)

1899 A hot day but windy from
Aug 17 west draft hunt hunt all
day and Tom harrowed with
four horses. I went up to
H. English's with W. Co. I
to see some horses he was not
at home got home near dark.
Cool last night but no frost.
Saw a few people cutting to
day

"18 Pulled binder out of shed
this morn. I took cramp in
back and could do nothing
all day. Mark hunt hunt
and Tom harrowed follow
he finished it tonight.

We were expecting Mrs H
Todd for here but she
did not come. I will
cut a little wheat today
Mr Ryan at it also
Dr. R. Smith. A hot day
but wind strong from west

(146)

1899 Tom & I charped knives
Aug 19 and got reed on binder
in morn. also canvas. Then he
took out load manure and
went on for load poles on
breaking. He drew roots & poles
from there all afternoon.
Mark began to break up his
bluff near J Carpenter.

Corral & I went to Oak Lake
afternoon I got canvas for
binder & other things fixed.
Nearly every one starting on
Sunday. A big shower west
west today, a few drops
fell here. Hired W. Lane to
fire today at 400 ⁰⁰ per month

"21 Made a few rounds in oats this
morn. and then cut wheat balance
of day the first this year some
of it is very green. Wind east
and blowing very hard making
a dirty job of cutting

(47)

1899 Terrible windy from east
Aug 22 when we got up, cut until
eleven then had to stop on
account of rain, it sprinkled
until one, boys chisel
around, I went down to
see L. Bayle and hired
him to run separator
at \$75.00 per ev. got home
10.30. Dr. Williams started
to cut for me only made
one round. Very cold
tonight wind south.

"23" Blew a hurricane from west
until four o'clock when it
stopped same. I ran binder
all day changed horses and
cut at fallow it is a good
crop. Dr. Williams clear east
of house. Bro. Rev. Johnston
here for dinner and H. & wife
& wife here for tea

(48)

1899 Dr. Williams finished cutting
Aug 24 fallow today and took his
binder home tonight, he worked
two days with me. I cut
high places in field south
of pasture, wheat very light
this and went average much
per acre. A nice clear still
day.

"25" I finished cutting pieces
that were ripe in wheat
south of pasture and began
at oats east of hay pasture
at 2.30 they are very heavy
in places. A big thunder
storm came in at six o'clock
lots of thunder and a nice
shower of rain had to
stop cutting and come
home, lots of thunder
& lightning but not much
rain came.
Arrive at Williams today and son
Ray & wife & H. & wife

(49)

1899 Finished cutting oats
Aug 26 west of house had a
big job as it was fearful
windy and we had to cut
some of it one way. A clear
bright day only windy.

Maggie & I went to Oak Lake
afternoon. A lot of excursion-
ists up from Ontario looking
for work in Oak Lake

" 28 A nice day but windy fore
noon cut for W Williams
~~forenoon~~ all day and got all
his wheat that was fit
cut. I went to Oak Lake
afternoon and beat home
afternoon.

" 29 Cut wheat at home all
day. W Williams also cut a
while started to rain at
five and we had to stop.
Then men cutting scrub

(50)

1899 A nice warm day G. Williams
Aug 30 helped us cut scrub and
we finished it I went to
Oak Lake in ~~evening~~ afternoon
and from there to Gisborne
got home dark. R. Hall
beginning to thresh tomorrow.
Dr. J. Goggin not done cutting
his wheat yet.

" 31 Mrs Williams buried today
she was 68 years old. I was
one of the pall bearers.

A nice day. Mack finished
cutting piece of oats and then
broke some in bluff. Tom
finished stacking up wheat
and then worked at oats.

Two men worked in bluff.
Wind light and looks like
rain. Justice meeting here
tonight. Maggie took Mrs Kennedy
to Ladies Aid today.

(51)

Sept 1
1899 Mack broke forward, Sam
Squed wood. I went to Oak
Lake afternoon, took out trucks
and tank also got Barney
& Jerry shod & hant. home
Corn & shorts for Pip. Mack
cut for Dr Williams afternoon
A regular gale of wind
all afternoon from west.
Put an advertisement in
paper today about building
school

Sept 2 Windy from west until
three o'clock when it went
down a good deal. Mack cut
for Dr. Williams until noon
and finished his wheat
then he broke afternoon. Sam
Squed wood. One man cut
scrub and another drew
hay from L.R. Solds on Dec 13
I went to Griswold afternoon, and
hant. home search of ^{water} wagon for ^{drain}

(52)

1899 Fearful windy all afternoon
Sept 4 I & Bagle began here at noon
took cylinder out of machine
and put in the teeth. Sam
went out Oak Lake and cut
in tank. I went out in buggy
getting things in shape for
threshing

" 5 Went to Oak Lake early
and got home one o'clock
also got tank home tonight
Wind east all day and
afraid of rain. Nearly swept
men here tops to work

" 6 I went to Oak Lake forenoon
and at three o'clock we started
to thresh a few oats, boys had
put up two small stacks
and we threshed there. Made
300 bushels and also two loads
barley from W. Co. I went to Oak
Lake again tonight. Rained a
few drops at noon

(53)

1899 A dull day at times but
Sept 7 Sun I have a good deal to,
threshed at home all day
and only made 1136 bush.
wheat turning out well
but we had a lot of stop.

Rained a few drops at noon
" 8 Finished threshing what wheat
we had ready at home at nine
o'clock and started across the
river to Mr Jackson, reached
there at one o'clock and began
to thresh at 2. A nice hot
day with wind west.

" 9 Blew a hurricane from
seven o'clock until eight
had had luck at Mr
Jackson today and engine
did not run steady at
all also had trouble
turning grade over 1300.
Came home tonight

(54)

1899 I went to Elmhurst this morn.
Sept 11 from Mr Jackson tried to get
him to have McKeen's engineer
with me but he would not.
Went to Oak Lake after and
then came to machine it ran all
day but did not do a great
deal only about 1300. Blew
hard from west all day

" 12 A very calm beautiful day
hardly a breath of wind
until near night when it
blew from west. Had had
time with machine again
today could not keep on
belts and only made
1400 all day. I took bath
paid in bank walked to
Griswold afternoon. Maggie
here today, she had tea
at Mr Jackson. Blow-
ing hard from east to
night

(55)

1899 Wind blew hard from
Sept 13 east all day and it
started to rain after we went
to bed. I stayed in bed un-
til noon had sore breast
and a bad cold, afterward
went to Storgs rif trying to
get an engineer he can let
me have one if I give him
feeders. Finished Jackson
wheat all but three loads
tonight

14 Look in Alpenie to Storgs
this morn. and brought back
Asser to run engine. Roved
to Dr. J. Gump's and began
at 3 o'clock at stacks
poured rain nearly all
night and impossible
to thresh stacks. Got
started at Dr. J. Gump's at
four o'clock everything
working all night

(56)

1899 Maggie came after me
Sept 15 ^{last night} ~~last night~~ I went home
with her went to Carl Lake
from home and sold over
500 bushels wheat there came
on to machine, found they
had to wait for water,
So I went back to Carl
Lake and had tank made
and will put on other
tires to help haul water
Made a small day today
flues leaking badly tonight
So I went down to Storgs
rif and hot him up to
I found them.

16 But flues expanded and
started to run afternoon
Esper here and got feeders
working fine. I took Storey
down to his own suffit
afternoon and went home
tonight, Machine ran well

(57)

1899 A beautiful day
Machine ran well all
day we threshed wheat for
Young in his yard
& made 1600. I went home
afternoon and tried to get
threshing around there
but could not so tried to
hunt up jobs around
Simons

19 Rained all day at Young
and did well made over
1500 hours two teams at
water now. Got Buchanan's
job of threshing today &
so have a couple of
weeks around here yet

20 Finished all of Young's wheat
stacks at first moved to his
stable and began at last
A nice hot day and machine
ran well. I went home
tonight for teams

(58)

1899 Threshed oats for Young
Sept 21 all day in his yard
and made 3215 bushels
Machine ran fine all day
One team from home here, and
also Dr. Hart was here helping
empty bags. I came over from
home in my. and had to go
back in afternoon again for
oil. Wind east all day.

22 Moved out to Young's stacks
today and finished up all
he had at noon
then went to S. L. Law and
threshed three sets of his wheat
afternoon, wind got pretty high
from S. E. before night. Believer
I went to Briswell tonight
and got some things fixed for
engine, got home eleven
thirty and went to bed
Wind turned west tonight

(59)

1899 Started at Lyram
Sept 23 wheat again this morn.
did not get a good start as
we had to get engine a little
finished his wheat and nearly
done two stacks of barley also
I went home tonight
24 finished Lyram at
the o'clock and moved into
Griswold where we had some
fixing to do on separator
then moved down to R
Stewarts, I had to get J
Stony again and he expan-
ded flues. Beautiful day
26. While until the o'clock
then wind raised and it
was very windy until three
when it went down again
very hot all day. Threshed
at Stewarts in oats, barley
& wheat made 7300. I went
to Oak Lake to have teeth fixed

(60)

1899 A dull dark morning we
Sept 27 got to work early and
rained well until ten, when
wind began to raise and be-
fore storm it blew a hur-
ricane and also rained a few
drops. Afternoon wind kept
up and a lot of sleet & hail
fell cleared up fore night, we
did not run afternoon
I Bayle and I went home
28 I went to Oak Lake early
was with on a case at
Court there come down to
Griswold on train and
got a chance out to machine
it finished at Stewarts home
early and moved away
to some other place. He had
a beautiful day no wind
very clear tonight and
going to freeze hard.

(61)

1899 Threshed down at
Sept 29 Alex Stewarts all day
and moved up to Boho,
for our supper at nine
o'clock, very sandy there
and we had trouble
moving around.

"30 Slept in Caboose at
Stewarts last night and
~~walked~~ ^{walked} up to Buchanan
for breakfast began
to thresh there early.
I went to ~~last~~ ^{arrived} early
and met Joe, Shuttleworth
there he came with me to
machine and bought
it out from me at 2100
for the whole thing complete
three tanks and Caboose
we are to give him possession
on Sunday night. I am glad
to be rid of it. Threshed at
D.P. Buchanan all day in wheat oats or

(62)

1899 Finished a set of wheat we
Octr were at this morn. then began
at oats in stook finished them
at noon and then threshed over
fine hundred of barley out of
stook finished it at 5.30 and
pulled into Gismold & gave up
machine to Shuttleworth, I came
home at night bringing the two
teams and wagons home with
me.

"3 Mark worked at potatoes all
day and afternoon another man
came & worked with him, the
potatoes are a good crop and
lots of them. I went to see about
getting Mr. Perry to thresh for
me don't know if I can get
him soon or not. Afternoon
went to Gismold and col-
lected nearly all day we there
a clear day wind north cold
freezing hard tonight

(63)

1899 Oliver mounted at 60-
Oct 4 tatoes all day. Frank
& I went to Oak Lake
to exhibition took out cow
but got no prize for her
got first for a year old
Colt. A clear nice day
and sun & some slight all
day

Oliver helped Reuben
thresh all day, a most
beautiful warm calm
day dont remember of
ever seeing nicer, warm as
July. Frank & I drew in
barley sheaves forenoon
then went up to see 13
and brought home a
load of hay and then
worked at potatoes
got them all in only three
rows. Measured ground for
school today

(64)

1899 A beautiful clear day but
Oct 6. wind blew pretty hard from
west towards evening. Fin-
ished potatoes at noon and
after started barley with
two wagons until night.

7 Finished stacking barley
at noon, afternoon I took
out load wheat for Reuben
to Gimwood. Frank drew
roots of breaking and
Oliver plowed where bluff
used to be. Maggie & Buck-
ville went to Oak Lake
afternoon. Clear & bright all
day

7 Frank plowed, where bluff
was last year all day. I went to
see about machine it wont
come before next week. Cecil &
I went to Oak Lake afternoon, it
began to rain while we were
there and kept it up until we

(65)

1899 Rained nearly all night
Oct 10 and also a little snow
fell but it was all away be-
fore noon I went to St Youngs
this morn and got a Purvis
for a few days at 1.00 per
day. Frost began blowing
at nine o'clock and kept it
up all day. A Purvis went
with horses & wagon to Mr
Smiths to help them there.
" 11 I went up to Bradwardine
to outfit today to bring home
lifting Jack, had dinner
at O. J. Shuttleworth and
got home four o'clock.
Young Shuttleworth came
for fixing for hand
feeding. Frost plowed
all day. Alex not here
yet. Wind east all day
and very cold morning
a little bright. Carpenter working

(66)

1899 at school and try of
get them boarding here
Sept 12 Dark and dull all morn. began
to drop rain at nine o'clock and
at eleven it began to snow hard
Kept at it all afternoon so
we could do nothing only sit
in home a lot of soft snow
fell. A Purvis plowed forenoon
and made track load of wheat
from sec. 18 down to Mr Callens
house
" 13 Snowed nearly all day again
today and we did nothing about
four inches of snow on level
and everything very dreary
I wrote & read all day.
Frost & Alex poked around
stable

(67)

1899 I went to Gueswold fore
Oct 14 noon and Alex came
with me and stayed there
I am done with him now
Collected over four hundred
dollar around Gueswold
and there is very little coming
to me there now, went to
Oak Lake afternoon and
paid up nearly everything
I owe there, took out ten
bags oats and got it crushed
east wind all day, lots
of snow on ground it
began to snow & rain again
tonight

• 16 Rained & snowed all day
yesterday and a lot on
ground when we got up
this morn. Must have had
I sat in house all day
very disagreeable outside

(68)

1899 I went to Oak Lake first
Oct 17 thing this morn. and bags
went to school, I took sleighs
and bought some a few plants
to fix stable floor. Some places
a foot of snow on road,
other places mud worked up
through snow and sleighing
bad. W. Moore's outfit tried
to truck at Harrison today
but could not, must work
ed at husking Laine. Wind
now to all day and very
cold & frosty. Looks now
as if we would not be
able to get our stocks thro-
ugh this fall, over a foot
of snow on them now and
freezing hard. Going to send
to Lays for cattle tomorrow
a mean miserable time and
winter here and months ahead
off its time

(69)

1899 A beautiful day seen
Oct 18 There very hot but there
was enough wind from north
to keep it from thawing and
Snow did not go any. Mack
& Orrab went to R D Kump
today for Cattle got home
mine at night. I carried
wood into kitchen nearly all
day. Mr Smith here for tea
" 19 Sun went down since last
night and I expected a
beautiful warm day and
Snow to go a lot, but it
is cloudy today and wind is
east. Chats like more Snow
got very cold towards evening
and we are almost sure to
get more snow & Circle
around near night, Mack
baulked house all day, I put
on storm ash. We put in
all cattle tonight for first

(70)

1899 A dull dark day. Wind
Oct 20 East and very cold looks
as if it might begin to snow
at any time, I went to Oak Lake
early got home at noon it was
a good deal warmer than, wind
had got South east and warmer
Snow was thawing, before
night it got very warm and
Snow thawed a good deal al-
though Sun did not shine.
Mack baulked at home all day
I put on some storm sack and
also put glass in some of the
windows
" 21 Hardly any frost last night
and Snow went a lot today, it
was as hot as July at times
and very little breeze. Mack
helped W. Williams afterwards to
drive fence posts. I took 19
pigs out to Oak Lake to Burns
over 2000 pounds got 14 1/4 cents for them

(71)

1899 Sprinkled rain nearly
Oct 23 all day yesterday Sun-
day and snow is all gone
this morn. or nearly so
dull & heavy all day
I went to see Mr. Callahan
for four bags barley.
Oct 24 plowed all day
" 24 I went to Oak Lake forenoon
took out nine bags oats &
barley to get cumbered, roads
fearful mud a foot deep
all across flat, dark &
gloomy all day and sun
did not shine any, snow
all gone but ground not
drying any. I plowed
all day.
" 25 Sun shone a few min-
utes today for the first in a
week, wind north and cool &
feels as if it would clear up
now, freezing had tonight and

(72)

1899 stars out for the first time
in a week. I plowed until
til noon then went to see Callahan
and helped set & table. I set
up sheaves of wheat all day,
it is both wet & soft.
Mrs. Dr. R. Maffie's mother
and Mary all here for tea.
Oct 26 August very hard this morn,
nearly impossible to plow
but I got it going and
finished with walking plow
at noon afternoon he began
with gang and four horses
I set up sheaves in oats nearly
all day. afternoon sun went
under clouds and wind was
with looks black and like
rain tonight
" 27 Cloudy until afternoon
when it cleared up and got
nice & warm. I finished
fixing up oats & trucks today

(73)

1899 Mark went to help
Hedley Young there at
home a lovely night now
and looks cleaned up

Oct 28 A lovely day Mark went
to J. Carpenters and helped
them stack straw until
ten o'clock then came home
machine run at P. J. Merricks
I left home at eleven o'clock
and took out 40 bushels
wheat to Carl Lake sold
at 53¢ & brought home barrel
Sugar and barrel apples
went back to Carl Lake
in evening with Mr. M. Co.
allum & we went to Vidua
on train to hear Sifton
speak there. Mark got
all turrips topped and
they are ready for taking
up

(74)

1899 Hardly any frost this
Oct 30 King Mark & I killed pig
first thing in morn. Dan
Williams came & took all
our young pigs away 15
of them I got \$1.25 each for
them. A beautiful warm day
wind south west. Mark
took out load turrips & hauled
them in afternoon. I went to
Grinnold & mailed Mr. Co
\$65²⁰ their interest in full
also paid Adam Stark
\$145¹⁰ due M. H. Co on
threshing outfit. Settled up
with Mr. Jackson & he
paid me in full \$35.50
Sadie Smith here tonight
" 31 Wind with cold all day
machine got here at noon
and threshed all our barley
& all the oats we wanted
done. Very pretty tonight

(75)

1899 Very frosty this morn.
Jan 1st we began to thresh
wheat out of stooks, and
left the three sheaves on north
side of all the stooks, made
1048 bushels and then
ruined machine across
river to Spencer, they
such as a road and we
turned back. Wheat
soft and badly bleached
" Mark drew in load of oats
that was left in bags in field
and then helped me set up
stooks of wheat, I set up
stooks forenoon and after
took out 21 bushels of
potatoes to D. Lynn, also took
sample of wheat and
showed Hitch, they want
a load and will try to
try it. A beautiful warm
day

(76)

1899 Mark & I set up sheaves
Nov 3 until noon and after I
finished stooking the whole
piece in about an hour,
G Walshy came here & he
& Mark took out turnips
with two grub hoes, found
fewer but it is a beautiful
hot day & no wind, we got in
sixty bushels of turnips
" Mark & I drew in four
loads sheaf oats this morn.
and stacked them in field
for feed. G Walshy took out
balance of turnips. Afternoon
Mark cleaned out stables &
got in balance of turnips,
we have about 110 bushels
of them. I took out 37 bushels
of damp wheat afternoon
to Oak Lake. Road getting a
lot better than they were, and
lots of wheat going in

(77)

1899 A nice warm day Sun
Nov 6 Shining all day I took
load of wheat to Oak Lake
forenoon, Mack ran due
with two horses forenoon
and four horses after.
George picked roots all
day

" 7 A beautiful warm day
I took two loads of wheat
to Oak Lake Mack drove
with two horses forenoon
and after he did Chasen
George drew roots all day.
Mrs & Miss H. Todd, Sr. here
for dinner also L. C. Davis

" 8 I made a mistake yesterday
and what I wrote yester-
terday would apply for
today. The 6th instead of
being a nice day was
very foggy all day

(78)

1899 I took Mrs Dr. R. & family
hog out to Sismold this
morn and they took train
for Brandon. Mrs Neethes
got off train and came back
with me. Mack & I started
to stack wheat after that
and got up ten loads. Still
& dark all day wind east
began snowing at noon &
kept at it all afternoon
about six inches fell it
is soft and wet us

" 10 Dull & dark all day but
no snow fell. Finished
stacking wheat at noon
made nine loads, got hayes
into wagon & all implements
into shed afternoon. Ex-
pected more snow to thick
this afternoon but it is not
coming now until Monday

(79)

1899 Wind South east all
Nov 11 day kept dull and
looked like snow all
day. Maggie & I went to
Cass Lake forenoon in
buggy I had dentist look
at my teeth. Threshing
machine came here at five
o'clock and finished up
our wheat at 7.00 we
had 244 bushels. H. Gray
took me away to bed
tonight

"13 I took load wheat out
to Cass Lake forenoon and
got horse shed & Walley
came out with me, he is
going to Calgary. A. D. Chisholm
sold a Mr. Remans over today
to say that Dequay who built
the school had cleared out
and he threatens to put a
crew on school if we

(80)

1899 don't settle for lumber
although we have paid
contractor. I went to see
Mr. Ryan and he went
out to see Ingleby he ad-
vised us to pay no atten-
tion to it. H. V. Young threshed
out Dr. Williams oats fore
noon

Nov 14 I helped Dr. Williams draw
separator to H. V. Young to-
day, very cold & windy
forenoon but warm after
and snow has about all
gone. I burnt some straw
and Mack worked at stable
putting in windows. Mary
& Sadie Smith here for
dinner & tea, Sadie went
home but Mary staying
a few days

(81)

1899 Went to Oak Lake fore-
noon and beat. Some
balance of wind mill, heard
that A. D. Chickens had
put him on school. So
went to see but no sign of
any notice having been taken
on there. Very cold and
wind strong east all day.
Made hay aim to keep W.
Williams stock all winter
at \$4.00 also hired Marge
to stay from month from
22nd Jan. at \$10.00 per hr.

"17 Began raining yesterday
at 7th and kept it up
all afternoon and still at it
as we go to bed. Maggie, Cecil
& Grace up at her fathers all
day. I started for Oak Lake
with wheat but turned back
today. I took out load wash
very wet & muddy and west

(82)

1899 all day and not a particle
of frost tonight never seen
such a mild fall so late
in season

Jan-18 I went to Oak Lake forenoon
with some oats & barley to crush
& beat. have some bran, after-
noon took out a load of
wheat 44 bushels, roads very
bad I had a job to get there,
brought home some of the chop
with me, froze none last
night. Put Ryan hay bridge at
Williams finished.

"20 I took 112 bags wheat out
to Oak Lake forenoon, no
frost last night and roads
fearful, empty wagon a
good load. A nice warm
clear day warm enough for
May. wind west, beat & I
began to spread manure
out of pile in fields.

(83)

1899 Maggie, Cecil, Grace &
Nov 21 I went up to her father's
today, dull & dark all day,
and sun did not shine.
wind east and looks
like snow, we got home
at seven o'clock. Mark
drew manure from
pile in field

" 22 I took out a small
load to Oak Lake first
thing, then afternoon took
out 20 bags, frozen hard
in my. and road rough
but wagon ran easy after
wood it was thamed some
and mud stuck to wheels
again, and wagon run
heavy. Wind east all
day very dark & dull to-
night and very much like
a storm of snow

(84)

1899 Cleared off nicely when we
Nov 23 got up, a slight breeze from
west and weather cleared up,
sun warm and a beautiful
day. Mark & I spread manure
all day

" 24 A beautiful warm day,
sun bright and we were
working in shirt sleeves.
Mark & I drew in fine loads
of roots from sod that was
broken this year it makes
a nice lot of wood.

" 25 Mark & I finished roots
forenoon. Cecil & I went to
Oak Lake after to Farmers
Institute meeting got home
at dark, a fine day not
a bit cold

(85)

1899 Hardly any frost this
morning and it was a
clear beautiful day.

I made two trips to Oak
Lake today with wheat
roads soft & cut up after
noon. School meeting here
tonight. Mrs & Mrs Smith
here for dinner

" 28 Frozen hard this morn.
and I took out 24 bags of
wheat to Oak Lake, got
home at one o'clock roads
getting soft then and wagon
running heavy. Mr. Smith
Canda afternoon and took
away wagon, he bought
it at \$100.00. Pagan to
Ohio at ^{from} ~~from~~ school
and still at it as we
go to bed. Very funny
weather for this evening

(86)

1899 Frozen very little last
night, I took out eight
bags of wheat to Oak Lake
Canda home roads very slick
and heavy, brought home
a scale today bought
from Anderson at \$25.00
weighed a load of wheat
for W.C. and put it in
our granary. Dull & dark
all day but not very
cold and no snow fell.

" 30 Very cold all day Sun
shone bright with wind
strong from N.W. I took out
20 bags wheat to Oak Lake
& afternoon went to Griswold
& paid a stack for threshing
\$25.00 & ten I owed him also
paid A. D. Chisholm \$90.00
for horse. Freezing very hard
tonight and no frost (if it
thawing out very more

(87)

1899 H. F. Young, Mr. Ryan and
Dec 1 went to Brandon today
got Dr. P.'s team & Carpenters
Luzzey and drove down got
back at 9 o'clock. Wind east
all day and snowed a little
west of Alexander but some
east of that. Very keen cold
all day.

" 2 I went to Oak Lake with
20 bags wheat forenoon. Very
raw cold wind west &
snowed a heavy shower
forenoon. Went to hear Dr. C.
Supper & H. J. McDonald at
Oak Lake seven o'clock hall
was crowded, very cold &
snowing as we came home.
Not enough snow to make
roads smooth and if it
would ~~rain~~ snow another
six inches we would have
slipping

(88)

1899 Very cold and frosty this
Dec 4. Very. The coldest we have
had so far. School meeting
here at ten o'clock in
forenoon, afternoon
Maggie & I went to Gus-
wold and heard A. C. Thayer
& C. Diftan speak got
home at dusk and after
supper Sam, Corro & I
went out to Oak Lake
to hear Isaac Campbell
of Deep speak. Wind
S.W. all evening day
and a lot warmer this
evening

" 5 I went to Oak Lake
forenoon and had home
the man for wind mill
& had him from Brandon to
put it up. Afternoon I
went back to Oak Lake
for lumber

(89)

1899 Dr. J. Williams came
Dec 6 this morn. and helped
us dig holes for the posts
to hold gress, iron from
wind mill. He stayed
until noon. I had to go
out to Oak Lake forenoon,
for some iron for wind
mill. One of the men went
out to Oak Lake tonight
he is going to Brandon
tomorrow. Today, a
beautiful day and not
cold.

7 This was election day
I went out to Oak Lake
tonight to get returns and
so far as we could hear
the Greenaway Gov. is op-
set. A beautiful day warm
and clear, a slight wind
from N.W.

(90)

1899 A beautiful clear day
Dec 8 warm & sun shine although
we had east wind all day
I went to Oak Lake forenoon
& brought home postmaster
and got it put up afternoon
the men finished with
wind mill tonight and
he took them out to
Oak Lake

9 I went to Mackawata early
for mail afternoon took out
load wheat to Oak Lake and
got horse shod on front foot
A nice day with N.W. wind
mill ran nearly all day
found a fish for R. White.

10 Wind east all day & keen and
a very little snow fell. I went to
Oak Lake at noon to attend Agri-
Cultural Society meeting and stayed
until night when Maggie came
out and we went to see Benyak

(91)

1899 I left home at noon and
Dec 11 went to Annual meeting
of Agricultural Society in
Oak Lake, held meeting in
Kellinella office. Maggie
came out at six and we went
to hear J. B. Benough in
Cameron Hall at eight, he is
good and a big crowd was
there.

" 12 Cr. J. Williams came up to
day and helped us butcher
three pigs one weighed 353
and the others were lighter
in all they made 754 pounds
of meat it was dark when
we got done. A nice day cold
& clear but pleasant not
enough wind to run wind
mill

" 13 I took all day and
cut up pork, salted
down a full barrel

(92)

1899 and will use the rest
fresh. Wind east all day
and not very cold. Mail
& I went down to Reuben
at noon and helped him
load a pig into wagon. Mr
Blahy came soon afterwards
left his team here and took
ours out to Oak Lake, got
back here at 8.30 and
stayed all night. Wind east
all day but not cold. Errol
went up to his Grandpa's
and brought home Cecil &
Grace who have been there
for a short while.
I am 40 years old today
Delt a slight breeze from west all day
sun & share bright but it was keen
Cecil Melville & I went to Oak
Lake afternoon got home after
night. A circle round moon
thighs and may snow

(93)

1899 Cloudy all day & cool
Dec 15 wind N.E. & sharp circle
round moon last night
and around sun today.
Gracie went to see Mrs
Shawmut afternoon they
had a baby there last
week. I had to be here
there then went on to
Kashawato for mail
bringing her home as he
came back.

" 16 Dull & cloudy all day and
snowing a little but only about
an inch fell altogether. Mrs
& I went up to Mrs
Cairns this morn. for two corns
for Mr Williams but she
would not give them, I went
to Oak Lake afternoon and
bought 5.6. 7. 10. 23 from Mr
Ryan had writings drawn up
by manby

(94)

1899 Gracie is 36 today.
Dec 18 We killed eight turkeys
and four chickens. Windy
in morning from S. through
the day till got calmer and
after dark it got very windy
we crushed J. Caspeters chop
after tea chas her went fire
and did it fast. I had brot.
Mr Williams horses here today
then Mr W. went to Oak
Lake and brought home
two corns. Sixteen below
zero when we got up, but
only three below tonight.

" 19 Went to Mr Williams first
thing and beat up barley
roats to chop for his horses
& hogs afternoon I took out
load wheat to Oak Lake
Mr Williams went to Oak
Lake tonight and is leaving
for Outhin tomorrow

(95)

1899 A beautiful clear day
Dec 20 hardly freezing all ~~right~~
day. I went to Winslow
forenoon and brought
Sadie Smith over, she was
coming from Brandon
afternoon I went up to Mr
Little's and saw about
taking some up there. Mr
Smith here for dinner
and took Sadie home
with him. Maggie, Grace
& I went up to W.C. for
a while tonight

"21 A lovely day and although
we only have about an
inch of snow still some
of it thawed today. I took
two sons to Little's forenoon
and brought one of them back
Sadie & Mary Smith came
forenoon and Sadie stayed.
Maggie & Errol went to Oak Lake

(96)

1899 A beautiful day hardly
Dec 22 any wind. I went to Oak
Lake afternoon and got team
shed sharp all around.
Maggie, Sadie & Errol went
to Literary tonight

"23 We ran cutter forenoon
but could not turn it full
into wind afternoon was so
windy we could not run it
at all, it was a regular
gale, and ground was blowing
off summer fallow in clouds
about as bad a storm of wind
as I ever saw. I went to Oak
Lake afternoon.

"24 Christmas day, clear and
bright but no sun. Mr & Mrs
Smith Sadie & Mary all here for
dinner & tea, Mr Smith & I
went to Mr Collins after
noon. Maggie & boys went out
afternoon & shot three rabbits

(97)

1899 Dull & dismal all
Dec 26 day sun did not shine
much, wind west and cold
ten below zero this morn.
I went to Oak Lake
forenoon, afternoon
fixed up amshes in good
shape and tightened my
Rods

27 Much below zero when
we got up this morn. and
wind from NW sun shone
bright all day but wind very
cold, about the coldest day
we have had this year.
I ran Crusher all day and
did justing for J. Milne &
R. Kennedy

28 Strong wind blowing from west
this morn. and it is very cold 20
below zero I went up to Mr. Smith
and took out a load of wheat
for him. Got home early

(98)

1899 24 below zero this morn but
Dec 29 not a breath of wind
& went to Mr. Smith's again
and took out another load
of wheat for him. Held a
school meeting in Mr. Smith's
office Oak Lake and conclu-
ded to deposit \$50.00 for school
purposes. Mark & Errol went
out to dentist got home 3.30
Mark, Errol & Melville went to
a performance in Cameron
Hall tonight, a slight breeze
from N.E.

30 26 below zero this morn. that is
the coldest yet I think, wind
from north and very cold all
day although sun shone brightly
I went to Oak Lake afternoon
with Reuben & Lorne to Institute
meeting. Maggie went to Stramont
at four o'clock their baby
died today at nine o'clock

(99)

1900 This is new years day
Jan 1 and a beautiful warm
day, ten below zero this
morn. but got warmer through
the day and not a breath
of wind. I went up to
Mr. Smiths and took out
a load of wheat for him.
"2 Went to Mr. Smiths again
this morn. and took out
load of wheat for him,
also got \$100.⁰⁰ from him
for a year ten months with-
out interest. 14 below zero
this morn. but no wind it
got beautiful & warm through
day. We are clean out of
chop but cant run lumber
as there is no wind. Maggie
& Grace went up to her
fathers at three o'clock
cant be back until
tomorrow

(100)

1900 A nice day not cold and
Jan 3 no wind blowing at all
Maggie came home tonight.
Frank & Corral went for ice
afternoon to Gismals bridge
Theville & Cecil went to Dr. Es
to play with his children
"4 A good wind when we got
up this morning and I started
crusher before breakfast
& kept it running until 3 in
afternoon when it got so cold
wheel would not run. I then
went to Oak Lake and paid
Sister Jennie \$112.⁰⁰. Mr. Bethel
and J. Higgins both here
collecting for church, I got
down to \$50.⁰⁰. Mr. R. Smith here
for awhile tonight he has
been in Brandon this long
time and is up for a
short while.

(101)

1900 A very calm day and
Jan 5 wheel would not run
Frank & I cleaned up load
wheat for W.C. Corral
went to Mackinac for mail
A fine warm day
" 6 I started crusher early
and it ran well until three
o'clock when wind played
out. Got a good deal done.
A beautiful warm day
and ground melted a little
W.C. came for load wheat
Frank & I cleaned another
one for him. Maggie & Corral
went to Cat Lake afternoon
and got horses shod
" 8 A nice day no wind & crusher
did not work. I took load
wheat to W.C. for seed, & then
went to Little's for flour.
Corral went to Cat Lake
forenoon

(102)

1900 Wind strong a while this
Jan 9 Amy, and Crusher ran
well but at 9.30 it
fell and I went to see
Mr. Callens and took 80
bushels of wheat from there
to Mr. Smith's. Mary Smith
came back home with me
The three boys went up to
their Grandmas today and
also over to R.P. & L. Jr.
A very slight breeze from
west all day and not very
cold
" 10 Snowing a little as we got up
this morn. but soon stopped.
I came to view this morn. and
brought home four bags rye
grass^{seed} from Kenneth W.
Inov, I also brought a rootlet
from Grundy in view paid
him \$2.00 for him. Joe Shuttleworth
was here today and paid 30^{cents} for

(103)

1900 Snowed a little last
Jan 11 night and wagons slip
around a good deal on road
now. I went to Hedley Young's
in my. and sold my Cusher
and belt to Jack Story
for \$48⁰⁰ he is to thresh
for me next fall and pay
it that way. Afternoon
I went to Oak Lake with
Mr. P. Smith's ponies took
Melville & Cecil, got ponies
shod. Mr. Smith here for
dinner & took Mary home
also took Grace with him
" 12 helped Maggie in house
until noon then took her
out to Griswold & she took
train to Brandon. A nice
warm day.

(104)

1900 Had a bad pain in my
Jan 13 Chest. All day and did
nothing, windy forenoon
but pleasant after and
no wind
" 15 Had very bad pain in
breast & shoulder all
day yesterday and today
but feel better tonight.
A beautiful day and
not a bit cold.
Errol went up to his
Grandma's today walked
up after dinner
" 16 Wind east all day until
night but now it is S.W.
Snow thawed a little today.
My breast still pretty sore
I went to Oak Lake afternoon
in buggy. Cusher only ran
about an hour today.
Dr. Williams' pain calmed tonight

(105)

1900 A beautiful warm day
Jan 17 I went to Guisuld
and met Maggie she was
coming from Brandon,
when we got home,
Sadie, Mary & Gracie were
here they had brought
her home. W.R. Smith
brought his cow here
tonight we are to keep her.
" 18 I went to Oak Lake after-
noon and heard Dr. Coys from
Brandon speak on Tubercu-
losis. Maggie went to her
father and brought Corral
home. A beautiful day
" 19 A.R. Smith's wife here
for dinner today, wind mill
now gone but not very good,
I went to Mrs. Hawata forenoon
Sun shone all day clear & beau-
tiful, warm & snow thawed
muddy around door

(106)

1900 A nice day but pretty
Jan 20 windy from South.
I went to Mrs. McCallum and
took 45 bushels wheat and 20
bushels barley over to Mrs. Smith
Corral went to Oak Lake and
brought home mail, we got a lot
crushed today.
" 22 Nice & warm this morn. but
got a lot colder afternoon and
is freezing food tonight. W.C.
came forenoon and got his
chop, afternoon Gump came
and got his. I went to
Mrs. Smith's river lot and
got a load of Carduood.
Corral took up two bags
Chop to J. Little
" 23 Wind strong from east all
day, dull & very cold. Mark & Cor
went up to hear Mrs. Seemans
speak in Ryeman school
tonight, Mr. Bethels horses new

(107)

1900 away and there was no speaking. I went to Oak Lake forenoon & hnt. Some three bags flown, afternoon I ran crusher until dark. A. E. Harvey & Ernie Todd both brought loads chop.

Saw my Wind north all day and cold. I finished Todd's chop at noon and after I went for load of wood. Very heavy and cold tonight going to freeze very hard.

"25 Twenty two below zero this morn. but perfectly calm.

Began to get moderate about noon and snowed a little before night. Got pack on sleigh today and brought in load of oak staves afternoon I went for wood A. D. Chisholm served me with paper today above school

(108)

1900 A nice day wind S. Jan 26 Crusher ran very slow forenoon and after would not run at all. I went to Oak Lake afternoon.

"27 Windy cold when we got up 23 below zero. I finished in Thier's chop and also Reuben's. Afternoon went to Oak Lake. Got very stormy & cold while I was away looked like a blizzard, but cleared off again. Very cold tonight and wind from NW. Had school meeting here tonight.

"29 Very cold all day yesterday we did not go to Chisholm's. This morning 23 below zero and blowing a gale from north but sun & clear bright. Drove in three loads staves today. I ran crusher afternoon and Frank did chop.

(109)

1900 Thirty below zero this
Jan 30 Muz. I went to Gussard
and met Dr. D. Coming from
Branden. Afternoon mail
went for load of ice. Saw
snow high all day but
wind very keen from north

" 31 Very frosty this morn.
30 below zero but at night
it was zero and looked
like snow. I went to Oak
Lake forenoon and had some
Hypo plates for black
boards for school.

Feb 1 Snowed a little today but not
enough for sleighs. I went for
wood afternoon. Maggie, Grace &
Carrab went to two miles &
spent the afternoon.

" 2 A nice day cold but not bad
I went to Hunt Kauato forenoon and
load of wood after. Story began at
well at school. Sadie here for dinner

(110)

1900 A nice day cold but
Feb 3 fine. I went to Oak Lake
afternoon and brought home
300 ft lumber for crib for
school well. Trustees
meeting here tonight

" 5 Wind South all day and
Cold, 24 below when we
got up but not frosty
tonight. I took Sahn up to
Little's forenoon, afternoon
mail & I brought 6 pigs up
from W. J. Williams and will
fat them here. Went to Oak
Lake afternoon with H. P.
Jenny and seen Manley about
expenses in connection with
dinner at school. I am to go
to Branden tomorrow on
same business.

(110)

1900 Mack took me to Grismold
Feb 6 this morn. and I went to
Brandon came home on
train eleven o'clock at night
H. V. Young met me at
Grismold and took me
home. A nice warm morn.
but wind turned east in
day and when we came home
it was storming hard
from north.

"7 Twenty eight below zero this
morn. when we got up wind
got up and it was very cold
and disagreeable all day
I think the coldest we have
had. I ran crusher forenoon
and went to Oak Lake
afternoon brought home
some bran and also a
barrel of salt. I am going
to Brandon again tomorrow

(112)

1900 44 below zero this morn. and
Feb 8 kept below 30 all day, I drove
out to Grismold in morn. and took
train for Brandon got home again
tonight at 12. Very keen cold to-
night

"9 42 below zero this morn.
but no wind and it got war-
mer through the day. I went to
Oak Lake afternoon and
sent \$113.60 to Philip Cameron
for Chisholm vs. School
Enrolment to Brandon to-
day with W.R.

"10 I went to Maskanata
this morn. and got mail, after
noon went to Oak Lake in
wagon and hot. home stove
for school and also pipes.
Mr. Bousfield going to run
creamery next year. Snowed
about an inch this after-
noon. Wind east all day

(113)

1900 A very cold day, wind strong
Feb 12 from west, I saw a cow
forenoon and chopped some for
our own stock, afternoon I
finished J. Little's, J. Carpen-
ter's & Sam's for Dr. Knapp.

Sadie here for dinner, fore-
noon H. C. Young came for
me and we got Dr. Ryan &
went out and got Miss Mitchell
to sign agreement.

" 13 Very cold this day, about
30 below zero. Sun shone clear
& bright all day and wind blew
from west all day. I saw a cow
afternoon and got some done
but it did not run very fast.
Two more loads came to be
crushed.

" 14 A very cold day and wind
strong from west I saw a cow
up to near noon when the
road level finished on top

(114)

1900 of wind mill wore out
and I had to go out and
order others.

Feb 15 Very cold and windy from
N. W. all day, I sat in house
all day with a bad cold.
Gerral came up from Brandon
on train and got a ride
in house with Reuben.
Danner tonight and looks
like snow - I got small
stone in Oak Lake yes-
terday and set it up
in cellar

" 16 Wind N. W. all day but not
much frost. Went to school
forenoon and got staves set
up. Afternoon Maggie & I went
to Oak Lake got home
near dark, wind cold
from N. W. tonight

(115)

1900 A good deal warmer today
Feb 17 I took Piniqis off and
will in my. then went to
School and done some fixing
up there afternoon went to
Oak Lake and got bones
shod behind. Justice
meeting here tonight. School
all ready now for Monday
only one seat & benches
did not arrive but we
will open anyway.

" 19 A nice day and not very
cold snowed about two
inches last night. I
went to Indians after-
noon and brot. home load
hay. it is very poor stuff.
Miss Mitchell came to-
day and opened school
she is boarding here
our school desks not
arrived yet

(116)

1900 Wind east all day and
Feb 20 cold & rain. I went to
Indians for load of hay
forenoon then went to
Oak Lake after and brot.
home a ton of coal.

" 21 A nice day wind east in
my. but got went towards
night. I took load chopper
to H. V. groups and had it
chopped there. Afternoon
Mark went for load of
ice and I did chores

" 22 Wind south east this day.
got west about noon, warm
& nice forenoon. Afternoon got
very windy and snow drift-
ed. J. Story came forenoon
and helped me work as
wind will afternoon I had
to go out to Oak Lake and
sent for a box of to Brandon

(117)

1900 Very cold all day and
Feb 23 wind strong from NW
Sun shone nice & warm
but wind very cold. I went
to Oak Lake first thing in
morn. for repair for windmill
but it did not come.
afternoon I went for load
of wood, the first load
I drew in high and
the sleighing is not very
good

" 24 Wind east all day and
Cold Sun shone clear, I went
to Oak Lake forenoon and
brought home hoping for
wind mill, J Story there
and helped me put it in
and fix up it got so cold
and stormy near eight we
had to stop and will fin-
ish it another day. I took
table over to school tonight

(118)

1900 Wind east this morn. but
Feb 26 got west during day a very
slight breeze. Sun shone clear
all day I drew in two loads
straw from our oat straw
stack and also got one at
W Williams for his horses.
afternoon I went up for
wood

" 27 Very windy all day and
pretty frosty although Sun
shone strong. I helped Mark
with Choes forenoon and
went for wood after

" 28 Went to Oak Lake fore-
noon wind east and blew
hard at times. J Story
came this morn. and fixed
wind mill & I ran it after
noon. Wind got south through
the day and is south tonight
as we go to bed. Snowing & storm-
ing pretty had just snow

(119)

1900 Very windy & stormy
Mon 1 until two o'clock when
wind went down. I ran
cruiser until then and
then drew steam from
W. Williams & also our
own stack

" 2 Cranked a while forenoon
but it did not run well
and stopped altogether
forenoon, afternoon, & night
I went to W. Williams
& brought up eight
bags oats & barley to
Cruiser

" 3 27 below zero when
we got up very cold
and blowing from east
but not enough to run
Cruiser. Helped Mack
clean all the stable then
drew a load of straw &
after that went for a load ^{wood}

(120)

1900 A slight breeze from
N.W. 5 east all day, and a
little snow fell afternoon
tonight it is falling slightly.
Helped do chores forenoon
then went to W. Williams
and got up straw & beans
then got a load of steam
from our own stack.
Afternoon I went for load
of wood

" 6 Went to Carl Lake forenoon
got lantern fixed & afternoon
went for load of wood. Wind
west all day but not enough
of it to run cruiser. Love &
Mrs Smith here for tea to-
night

" 7 Wind east all day and
cold I went to Carl Lake
forenoon for coal for school
but also got two ~~loads~~. After-
noon went for wood the last ^{load}

(121)

1900 Wind strong from east
Nov 8 this morn. and I thought
I could have run Cumber
all day but it only ran
an hour when wind went
down and Cumber stopped
we went for load of
straw, wind stopped
altogether and it got
warm & nice, afternoon
I went down to Ryans
and got a load of dry
elm. Mrs. Kule & her sister
Lizzie here for tea also
Mrs. Ross and the two
little Bethels. Wind due
north tonight and cold.
Mark's brother Jim here
tonight

(122)

1900 Drem load straw from
Nov 9 W Williams & also me for
ourselves in forenoon, after-
noon I went to Mr Ryans
and got a load of dry elm.
A nice day but cold with
a light breeze from east.
" 10 Went to Oak Lake forenoon
took out Miss Mitchell
boat. Lame some coal &
lumber, went up to J. J. Smith
afternoon and got this
Circular Saw. Wind east
all day, but not strong
afternoon, forenoon several
ran Cumber an hour but
it stopped for wind at 10:30
" 12 I took 6 pigs of W Williams
out to Oak Lake today sold to
Burns at 4¢ making \$30.40. It
blew a hurricane all day until
six o'clock when it stopped.
Sun & have bright all day, and

(123)

1900 we ran cumber some times wind was so strong it was only one third turned into wind but still it ran very hard. Snow went a little.

Mar 13 Helped work at Choes in morning then I drew straw and Mack went to Reubens and helped them kill a pig. Afternoon S. J. Smith his wife & children came, he & I went to Oak Lake. Nice & warm all day but got very cold towards night.

" 14 Very cold this morn. 24 below zero and a breeze from north I went up to S. J. Smiths and beat down 800 coal for school. Ran cumber nearly all day also got saw set up and working. It cuts nicely. Wind strong from

(124)

1900 Sun shone clear & bright Mar 15 all day and wind blew from north at times very hard. I ran cumber all day. Snow cold and wind growth.

Mrs Gramment here for tea

" 16 Started cumber at nine o'clock and kept it going until nine tonight, fearful windy at times and we had windmill only quarter into the wind at times. Sawn about half a cord of wood and cumbered 4400 of barley roots. Very stormy ball after noon and snowed about an inch.

" 17 Errol & I went out to Oak Lake afternoon took Miss Mitchell to her sisters, we got home at noon. Afternoon I ran cumber. But there was very little wind and we got very little

(125)

1900 Fearful stormy all day
Mar 19 until four o'clock, when
it began to clear up, Sun
shone bright all day but
wind blew a hurricane from
north. Miss Mitchell did
not get out last night. I
had to take Cecil to school
as snow was so deep, we
got load straw from our
own stacks and then one
from Dr Williams, we also
brought over oats & barley to
Chap for his horses. Wind
went down so in evening I
could not run lumber.
Miss Mitchell came out
tonight
• 20 Helped Mark Chose fore-
noon and after went to W.C.
they are all sick in bed
with colds I did the Chose
and came home, Mark

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1900 Kellington and J Dillabont
here for dinner, the former
wanted to buy our horse Jack
I offered him at \$130.00
Mar 21 I went to Oak Lake forenoon
and but home some bran
& flour afternoon Maggie & I
went to Wisconsin got
back near sundown I bought
a Deer Gung Claw there also
but did not bring it home
Roads done and over half the
road was mud, and no snow
at all. Mark Kellington here
again tonight and took the
horse away with him, he
paid me \$50.00 on it and
note for balance due next
Nov.
• 22 Wind strong from east all
day. Mark and I did Chose in
day and then cleaned a barrel
until two afternoon we let

(127)

1900 ~~wood with wood and got~~
~~about two cords cut. Maggie~~
~~father here for dinner~~
Mar 22 I went to W. C. this
morn. and did his chores
there he is laid up and all
the family with colds, ~~now~~
~~cleaned~~ in afternoon. Mack
hauled water from slough
for home and I took
all the storm windows off
down stairs

" 23 Blew strong from east
all day, after chores were
done Mack & I ~~cleaned~~ cleaned
wheat until noon, afternoon
we ran team with wind
and got a lot. Sowed
Maggie's father here for
dinner. Snow nearly
all gone

(128)

1900 A nice warm morn. we cleaned
Maggie's stable and then drove in
load of straw a heavy
shower of soft snow came
down. In afternoon we went to
Oak Lake in wagon took
Miss Mitchell's cup and
brought home half a ton
of coal for school and
a set of harness for my-
self. Maggie & I went up
to W. C. tonight she is not
able to do anything

" 25 East wind all day I went to
W. C. in morn. & did his chores
then went out to Oak Lake
for doctor and sent Min there
afternoon, tried to sow but
not wind enough so we
cleaned wheat, wind east
all day and looks like snow

(129)

1900 I went to Gismold first
Mary & I to see A. R. Spers
but he was not at home
I got home at noon, after-
noon we ran saw with
wind mill and got a lot
Cut afterwards we camped
some for ourselves. Wind
strong from east all day
and cold, did not thaw
much today. Mark did
W.C.'s chores this morn.
W. J. Williams got back
today he had his dinner
here

28 I went to Oak Lake
forenoon in buggy afternoon
we ran saw and got a
lot of wood done, if wind
had kept up we would
have been done in an hour
I went to W.C.'s, and did
his chores in evening

(130)

1900 Today is Sister Alma's
Mar 19 birth day. Wind east
all day but very warm & nice
I went to Gismold forenoon
and got \$115 from A. R. Spers
on cattle also hired a man
for W.C. he is to come on
Saturday. Went to J. Kilgus
afternoon and got his
farming bill and we got
a lot of seed wheat clean.
Went to W.C.'s, tonight and
helped do his chores
30 A beautiful warm day
I went to W.C.'s, in morn, and
did his chores Mark & I
cleaned wheat balance of
day we still have about
a hundred bushels to
clean. Snow nearly all
gone and ground drying
up. Wind south west all
day

(131)

1900 A beautiful warm day
Mar 31 and ground dried up
a lot. Finished cleaning
wheat a little after dinner
and then I went out to
Brimbold to buy in a
man for W.C. I had he
did not turn up so
I had to come back
without him.

Apr 1 W.C. was 38 yesterday.
Today is lovely & warm a
slight wind from east
but sun hot. I went to
Cott. late forenoon and
hired a man for W.C.
he is to come tomorrow
afternoon I shipped three
horses. Mack took away
banking from house all
day.

(132)

1900 Wind east & south east
Apr 3 all day Reuben came up
and stayed until near noon
trying to get his cord of
wood cut but could not
get it finished as there
was not wind enough.
I shipped three horses
and Mack drew in straw.

" 4 Mack & W. L. Williams took five
of ours and two of his ~~own~~
cattle down to R. L. Lays
this morn. they got back at
dark. Wind blew hard
all day from S.W. I got
all the wood cut up and
then ran crusher because of
time.

" 5 Mack took saw up to J. J.
Smiths on Stone boat forenoon,
after, he split all the dry wood.
I ran crusher, cleaned seeds
and finished chipping horses.

(133)

1900 A fearful hot day as
Apr 6 is warm as anything in
July and no wind. Mark
drew away one load banking
from house and then
drew straw until four
o'clock when we fixed
up drill & got ready for
seeding. I cleaned up thirty
bushels of barley for to sell
Maggie went to J. Paulus
afternoon. Errol took
Miss Mitchell out to Oak
Lake this evening.

" 7 Another hot day but
not so hot as yesterday.
We blue-stoned some wheat
forenoon and Mark began
to drill but it would not
run out so we had to wait
until afternoon it ^{some} well
then and we got eight acres
sowed. Story put up ^{seed} in

(134)

1900 Wind stay from east all
Apr. 9 day and pretty cool Mark
drilled all day and made
sixteen rounds in fallow
east of house. I ran
cumber in May. and
cleaned out stable, then
went to Mr. McCallum
for wheat picker, got a
lot of wheat blue-stoned
then Dr. B. came after it
and took it home.

" 10 Drier so we could not drill
until ten o'clock. Mark did
chose & cleaned stables until
then. I went to Oak Lake fore-
noon, afternoon Dr. B. Smith
brought over Mr. McCallum's grain
picker & we got a lot of
wheat blue-stoned, I took
it home after and then har-
rowed a bluff in field

(135)

1900 Wind cold from east all
April day and ground frozen
so we could not drill
until noon. I went to Sis
Wold forenoon and brought
home a gay plow, after-
noon I harrowed. Mark
picked roots forenoon and
hailed after, J. J. Smith
Came tonight and took
home 41 bushels wheat

" 12 Hayen had this morn. Mark
set up gay plow and
W.C. came & took it home he
is to use it for awhile. At
ten o'clock I started to harrow
with two horses and Mark
began to drill he finished all
the half mile drilling towards
evening and began at shorter
rows. Miss Mitchell went to Oak
Lade this evening tomorrow is a
holiday. She goes to ^{Grand Ave} ~~the~~ pulvers to

(136)

1900 Wind N.E. all day but Sun
Apr 13 hot started to drill at
eleven and got a lay well all day
but broke whippletree on drill
last round at eight. I worked
around home all day Maggie
went up to her mother's & Tom's
today.

" 14 Maggie, Cecil & I went to
Oak Lake forenoon I brot.
home 70 lbs. Rye grass also
a whippletree for drill, after
noon I finished harrowing all
the fall plowing and Mark
drilled very hot all day.

" 16 Very cold all day wind east and
blowing strong Corral & I took two
fat cows and a steer out to Sis-
Wold forenoon for A. R. Speers
afternoon I worked among trees
and planted a lot also put
down some cuttings. Fearful
Cold tonight and wind still east

(137)

1900 Frozen very hard this
Apr. 17 very, almost the worst
we have had yet wind N.E.
all day. I went to Mr. McCallum
forenoon and got his pickler
& afternoon Mark & I blew
Street about 150 bushels of
wheat & they took pickler
home again. Mark drilled all
the time he could. Wind turned
S.W. this evening and freezing
very little tonight.

"18 Hardly any frost this morn.
and Mark began to drill
first thing. I took 20 bags
wheat to see. I and then
went to H.C.'s and got his
drill & drilled all day
Mark finished at home at
three o'clock & came over also,
we got 17 acres done. Blaw
furn went all day. Sometimes
pretty hard & it was dusty.

(138)

1900 A very hot day and hardly
Apr. 19 a breath of wind, we
could not work horses hard a
drill it was so hot, we both
drilled on seven and got along
well considering the heat.

"20 Blew a hurricane from east
all day air was filled with
flying dirt. Some things could
hardly see. Finished seeding
on seven at noon I took
H.C.'s drill home and af-
ternoon went to Oak Lake.
One of the heifers had a calf
today. Charlie foundered so
I can't work him.

"21 I went to Griswold forenoon
and got Vet. to come over and
see Charlie he is foundered all
right and won't be able to do
anything for a month. Mark
harrowed in fall until noon and
then ran dice harrow in breaking

(139)

1900 I sowed in sod all day
April 23 very rough and a hard job
to ride it. Mark did some harrowing
in fallow here until noon and
then went to Seven and harrowed
all afternoon there. Hot & dry
wind east

" 24 I disced in sod until noon
and finished it, did a little
discing in stubble & then began
to sow broadcast in sod
took all the shovels off drill.
Mark harrowed on Seven
all day. a slight breeze from
east all day had a small
shower at noon but not
enough to do any good

" 25 Raining a little this morn. and
we did not go to work until about
eight, not enough rain fell to do any
good. Mark harrowed on Seven all day.
I sowed on sod until noon and pecked
potatoes in cellar after. The worst

(140)

1900 dust storm I ever saw here raged
all afternoon wind was terrific
and at times we could not see
two hundred yards with dust
flying. Another calf today
Apr 26 A slight breeze from S.E. all
day very hot at times close, we
had a few small showers of
rain but not enough to do
any good, some heavy rains
went all round us especially
in east, quite a lot of thunder
& lightning. Mark finished har-
rowing on Seven. I finished seeding
sod at noon and harrowed after
Mrs Helliwell & Mr Laycock here
for dinner

" 27 A slight breeze from N.W. all day
and pretty hot. I harrowed on sod all
day Mark did also. Maggie went to Oak
Lake afternoon. I went to W.C. today and
brought home our plow, he brought
down his Seeder and took home our
disc

(141)

1900 Pretty hot forenoon but got
April 28 Cool towards evening, Mark
finished harrowing 300 to-
night that finishes 205 acres
of wheat we have in. I plowed
with gang all day east of house
for wheat. A slight breeze from
N.W. all day

" 30 Very hot all day I plowed
east of house for wheat
Mark plowed with team
then harrowed. Vet came
along today and altered Colt
Mrs W.R. here for tea

May 1st Blew a hurricane from north
nearly all day and air was fil-
led with dust sometimes could
hardly see wind got easier towards
night and it got very cold, I
dove gang with katts. on and
caps on ears, going to freeze
tonight. Mark drilled east of
house & plowed

(142)

1900 Blew hard from north all
May 2 day and is freezing tonight
froz hard last night. I went
to Mrs McCallister for spring
to give Charlie an injection
but he could not find it
and I went on to Grismald,
got none there and had to go
to Oak Lake afternoon, got one
there. Mr Milnes team here after
noon plowing his gang plow. Mark
also plowed with team after-
noon.

" 3 Some frost this morn but
not so bad as yesterday
Milnes gang working here all day
I also plowed all day, we are
plowing near W. R. Smiths, Mark
finished harrowing east of
house and has it nearly all
drilled. Very cold tonight and
wind east.

(1143)

1900 A beautiful warm day
May 4 first last night. Milver's
teams & gang plow has plowing
again today, we finished at
the wheat ground at four
I harrowed after. Mark drilling
near W.R. & all afternoon. Sent
Errol for Vet. at noon Colt
badly scurled he is better to-
night

" 5 I went to Oak Lake this morn.
got Barney shod in front & brot.
home load lumber for Ripston
Church it was seven when I got
home. A nice warm forenoon
but wind got east & very cold
after towards night. Errol fin-
ished harrowing for wheat and
Mark has about two hours
drilling yet to finish wheat.
Big Cow had twin calves
this morn. nearly every one done
with wheat now

(1144)

1900 A slight breeze from north until
May 7. fine & cold when it got N.E. Mark
finished sowing wheat at noon
and afternoon he & I took up
two loads of stone to Ripston
Church. Near night we went over
to evening and burnt the grass there
Maggie at her mother's afternoon
" 8 Wind N.E. all day and cool
Mark & I took two loads stones up
to Church forenoon afternoon I fixed
fence around garden and he
harrowed with fine horses
on wheat on S.W. corner
" 9 Windy all day so I ran crusher
and got about 20 bushels done
Sun hot and it was very hot
at times. I cleaned oats for seed
and ran crusher. Mark finished
harrowing wheat and then
went to River for four barrels
water. Maggie went to Dr. Gay's
today. Had another calf this evening

(145)

1900 A very hot day Mark plowed
May 10 and sowed two sloughs with
wheat then plowed garden, we
got a few potatoes planted in
it. I went to Oak Lake after-
noon took out two hundred oats
to D. Wright sold at 25¢ &
got my plow points sharpened.
J. Milne & W. Goupp took
their own and my two colts
down to Lays Pasture today
" 11 Mark & I plowed for oats
all day, very hot at times but
wind blew pretty strong from
east. R. E. A. Leach of Brew-
ster here for dinner. I went up
to Mrs. Smiths tonight and
got Katie to help us take
Cattle away to pasture.
Ground very dry and turning
up like ashes

(146)

1900 A fearful hot day wind
May 12 east until about three o'
clock when it began getting ar-
ound to south and tonight it
is S.W. and all signs of
rain has disappeared. Ther-
mometer stood 100 in shade
in Oak Lake today and wind
was very hot. Mark harrowed
oat ground and also plowed
a little. Errol & I took
four cows, one steer and
four calves down to R. E.
Lays today. A beautiful
calves night now, and not the
least sign of rain.
" 14 I plowed for oats all day,
Mark sowed forenoon and har-
rowed after. Cool all day we had
coats, caps & mitts on all day, wind
north & sun did not shine. Tom
Bidson came today, he hired with
me until my threshing done at 20 per cent

(147)

1900 Very Cool all day and Sun
May 15 did not shine, rained a
small shower last night but
not enough to do any good
only keep down dust. I plowed
for oats all day. Mark drill-
ed an acre in hay, then plowed
until four o'clock when he
began to harrow. Tom cut wood
at house

"16 I finished plowing for oats
south of pasture at five o'
clock and began then in hay
pasture west of house. Mark
harrowed and sowed all
day. Very cool Sun did not
shine & we wore coats & mitts.
J Milner's man came over &
dressed my team & I went over
to see his wheat, it is badly
blown in spots but he has
a splendid crop take it
all over

(148)

1900 A beautiful day, warm and
May 17 Sun shine wind blew pretty
strong from east all day, we
ran crusher at noon. Tom cut
wood, Mark finished drilling
in oats south of pasture and
got started in hay pasture. I
finished plowing hay pasture
at five o'clock then went to
Tom Hamers and bought a
pig from him for \$12.00.

"18 Tom harrowed hay pasture
foreward & finished it, Mark fin-
ished drilling in oats then at 10.30
and then began to harrow oats
across south of pasture, after-
noon he dressed the four horses
at it, and Tom sawed wood
kraggie & I went to Mr McCallum
afternoon to see his father
and Bonnie who is just home
from California, eight of us there
had tea. E. Caford home here tonight

(149)

1900 I went to Oak Lake forenoon
May 19 and got two boards to
make a top box for hauling
manure. Mark & Law took care
up to Mr. A. J. Todds bull
forenoon, at noon we fixed
wagon box and after he had
drew manure & spread it west
of hog pasture where I intend
putting roots down. I picked
potatoes in cellar. Wind
east all day but not
strong enough to run wind
mill. Very dry and although
wind east nearly all the time
still it dont rain and we need
it badly

" 21 A very hot day I picked
potatoes in cellar and boys drew
manure all day. Looked as if a
heavy shower of rain went S. E. of
here we had a few drops several
times but not enough to lay dust

(150)

1900 A very hot day and wind
May 22 S. W. Sent potatoes for
seed seven bushels. Also cleaned
ten bushels barley for Reuben
and crushed four bags for
Boys both drew manure. Mr.
Smith here for tea Sadie came
with him and is staying a
few days. H. Todd Sr. & wife
here for dinner he was very
sick and had to go home early
Lots of thunder & lightning today
also wind a big shower went
south & east but we got hardly
enough to lay the dust.

" 23 Started to plant potatoes this morn.
and got them all in about four
o'clock we have an acre in this year
and planted eleven bushels or so
that is the most we ever had.
I went to Oak Lake afternoon.
Boys drew manure in evening. Wind
west all day & cool feels like first ^{trough}

(151)

1900 Queen's birthday I picked
May 24 potatoes in cellar forenoon
and bays drawn and manure,
afternoon Knave & us went fishing
we caught three. Very hot all
day a slight breeze from west,
at eight o'clock in evening wind
changed to east and is cool
as we go to bed

" 25 Wind east when we got up and
it looked very like rain but none
came and at nine o'clock wind got
west again and kept that way
all day until near dark when
it turned east again very cool
all day. I took Sixty bushels
oats out to hutch forenoon and
picked potatoes after. Bays
draw manure, Maggie took
Sadie up home at eleven
and went on to Hiffin-
bothams to Ladies Aid

(152)

1900 A beautiful warm day not
May 26 enough wind to run cucumber
until near night when it ran
a short time. I took 60 bushels
oats to Oak Lake forenoon sold
to Leitch at 25¢. Tom drew manure
we drew pile in field and spread
on oat ground. Mad finished plow-
ing for corn & turnips. Got some of
the ~~turnip~~ corn sowed. Corral, Mel-
ville & Cecil up at grandmas for tea

" 28 Blue had from east & S. east all
day, looked cloudy and like rain but
none fell terrible dry and grain dying
every body wondering what will hap-
pen, grass hoppers very bad in places
H. Mc Keller spoke on grass hoppers
at ten today in Oak Lake not many
knew he was to be there. Mary fin-
ished corn forenoon & sowed all the tur-
nips after, he also plowed among trees.
I took out 20 bushels potatoes to Oak
Lake sold to R Wood at 50¢

(153)

1900 Wind east all forenoon and
May 29 it dropped rain for over an
hour just a small amount
fell not enough to do any good
Afternoon wind turned west and
blew about as hard as it has
done this year the dust was
awful it is a wonder there is
any grain left. I went to Oak Lake
at 4.30 and brought in J. Dawson
he passed Charlie's feet, and
I took him back to Oak
Lake again got home eleven
o'clock. There must have been
rain west as it is cold enough
for frost tonight

" 30 A cool day Sun shone bright
but wind blew strong from N.W.V
Cool all day. Boys finished spreading
manure early, after cleaned up
yard. I took up Mr. Smith's chop
afternoon & tried to get a plow but
he has none I got one at H.C.'s

(154)

1900 Went with Lou to see T and got
May 31 him started to cut scrub. Mark
went to St. V. groups & got sledge called
in on way home & got H.C. plow at
W. Williams we intend starting to break
after he came home he took Benjy
away from house. I started at
eleven o'clock to take manure down
to Lay pasture got home at seven
it rained on me all the time I
was away not heavy but a nice
steady shower, kept it up until
bedtime, it was badly needed and
will do a lot of good

June 1st Mark plowed with three horses on
gang for oats where we spread manure
I intend cutting them for green feed, he
made about four acres and then harrowed
it twice. Lou cut brush on seven.
I went to Mack Kawato in morn. then to
Oak Lake afternoon but. home buggy
wheels, went to R. Horwands to try get
a girl but could not. Cool tonight

(155)

1900. Father 27 years dead today
June 2 and brother Tom is 43 years
old. Blew a hurricane from
south nearly all day a big shower
of rain passed south we got
about a dozen drops at night
as we were going to bed it thundered
& lightning all around us
and must have rained east
looked very black there, we
seemed to get all the wind
and no rain, if it don't come
soon we won't need it as there
will be nothing left, dust
flying nearly all day. Tom
cutting scrub on Seven. Mark
got oats for green feed sowed
and began to plow south of
pasture for rye grass. Midge
Errol & Melville went to Clark
Lake forenoon, boys went fishing
after but caught nothing

(156)

1900 Took pig out to Burns this
June 4 mry. sold at \$14⁰⁰ got home
noon. Mark plowed all day three
horses on gang. I went to K.C.
afternoon & got home for few
days. Tom piled wood at home
forenoon & cut roots on Seven
after. I sent \$45⁰⁰ to hire heart
Paul Brandt abt \$8⁰⁰ to
Paul Woods to send us a Gal-
aciate girl. A small shower
in mry. but not enough to
lay dust
" 5 A very hot day blew hard from
SW all day but both sun & wind
was very hot, it is a wonder there
is any grain left. I plowed all
day with gang for rye grass,
Mark plowed until noon and
then harnomed. Tom cut scrub
on Seven. Mrs Kennedy, children
& Millie here for tea. ^{drops of rain}
& lightning this evening and a drizzle

(157)

1900 Very windy from N.W. all day clear
June 6 & Coal forenoon, at noon it clouded
up and a dozen drops of rain fell
they seemed to get lots east & south
I plowed with Jay all day for
rye grass Mark harrowed un-
til noon & then seeded after
We are mixing 20 pounds of wheat
and 14 pounds of rye grass together
and putting that on an acre
" 7. Dull & cloudy all day wind
north very cold wore fur cap
& mitts coat on Jay plow, a
little warmer afternoon but a
disagreeable day all through,
rained a small shower fore-
noon but not enough to lay
dust, it was drifting all day
Lowe cut brush on Seven
and Mark sowed rye grass
and harrowed all day. Ice
like frost tonight

(158)

1900 White frost all over this morn, on
June 8 potatoes, beans, tomatoes & all
blackened, wind S.E. all day and
looks like rain tonight, not much
sun all day and pretty Coal. I plowed
all day for rye grass, Mark drilled
it & harrowed. Lowe cut scrub
on Seven
" 9 A slight shower last night but
very small did not lay dust
I wrote letters forenoon & went to Oak
Lake after. Lowe cut scrub on Seven
& Mark finished plowing for rye
grass & then sowed until night.
Keeps very dry. Everyone talking
about their crops being frozen
down
" 11 Wind South in day, then got S.E. then
N.E. & wound up at N.W. as we go to bed
looked & blew like rain nearly all day
but none fell. Mark finished drilling in
rye grass & then began to harrow it across.
Lowe cut scrub on Seven. I went ^{to} ^{the} ^{field} ^{for}

(159)

1900 A clear day very windy from
June 17 N.W. and towards night
it got very cold thought we
might have frost. Mark finished
harrowing up grass & harrowed
potatoes rows. Sam cut scrub on
Seven. I washed & oiled a set of
harness forenoon & after Maggie,
Ceil, Grace & I went up to Mr
Smiths and spent the afternoon.
Had several small showers to-
day but not enough to lay
dust, grain drying some of it
will soon be shot out and
it not three inches long.

" 13 A very hot day with very little
breeze. I oiled set of harness fore
noon & after Maggie, Grace, Ceil &
I went up to her father, had a
dryer drop of rain afternoon.
Mark

(160)

1900 A very hot day & hardly any
June 18 breeze. Mark opened up plow
in fallow on seven & picked weeds
also plowed some spots through fallow
where there was couch grass. Sam
cut scrub on seven. I washed &
oiled set of harness forenoon
& went to Oak Lake after school.
Home a very fine plow for breaking
& stubble. No sign of rain &
things drying.

" 14 Very hot clear forenoon a very
slight breeze from south afternoon
it blew hard from there and got
cloudy like rain but none
came. Mark broke through south
of pasture & afternoon went over to see
at plowed there. Sam cut scrub. Maggie,
Grace & I went to Oak Lake fore
noon, after I was washed & oiled a
set of harness. Tonight we
killed a pig it will weigh
about 225

(161)

1900 A slight breeze from S.E.
June 15 all day and kept cloudy
but no rain fell. Mark
broke on seven all day, Tom at
scrub, Maggie Grace & I went
to Hillview got home near dark,
rain wanted all over they are
worse blown up there and
L.R. Todd says he has lost
150 acres of wheat

"16 A very hot day, a breeze from
S.E. all day. Mark broke on
seven all day and Tom cut scrub
there. I picked potatoes in
cellar forenoon went to Oak
Lake at four o'clock & brought
out I found he picked up
Charlie's feet & took him
back again at night, looked
cloudy and like rain all night
day but cleared up at night
and don't look like it ever.

(162)

1900 Wind South all day and at times
June 18 very windy dull in day and kept
dropping rain about two hours hard
enough fell to lay dust, afternoon
big clouds came up from South
we had a little thunder & also light
rain, but only a few drops of rain,
there must have been a heavy
shower South & east it looked
bad down there. Mark broke on
seven all day & Tom cut scrub.
I finished picking potatoes in
cellar. Maggie down at Kennedy's
awhile this evening. Mr. Blaly
here for dinner

"19 Mark broke all day & Tom cut scrub
I put out poison on seven in day,
then oiled both Seth's single horses
and then went up to Mr. Smith's & got
a mare from him to work on gang
plow. Rained a good heavy shower
here about 5.30 it only lasted a few
minutes but will do some good, ^{here staying tonight} Mr. S.

(163)

1900 A fearful hot day very
June 20 little wind and very close
& warm. Mark broke with
three horses forenoon and
two after. Tom cut scrub.
I had to stay at home &
attend school meeting fore-
noon and after started fallow
on seven

" 21 a fearful hot day not a
breath of wind and sun very hot
100 in shade in Oak Lake. Mark
broke all day Tom cut scrub
I plowed fallow until noon then
went to Oak Lake and had
my teeth filled after. Wheat
scorching and drying don't ex-
pect we will cut a sheaf
this year a day or two more
of this and we will have
nothing left

(164)

1900 A fearful hot day, I plowed
June 22 fallow forenoon but did
nothing after. Mark finished breaking
all we intend doing at four
o'clock. Tom cut scrub on seven
all day. This is terrible weather
nearly too hot to live. I think
it would rain & cool off

" 23 A fearful hot day, we worked
about half forenoon, and after did
not go out until four o'clock. Mark
& I plowed fallow on seven until
noon & then I went to Oak Lake.
Tom cut scrub on seven all day.
As we expect to cut any ^{crop} hay now
it is wilting very fast and still
no sign of rain

" 25 Let Tom & Diana go this morn. still dry
and things drying. Thunder & lightning this
morn & half a dozen drops of rain. Mark plow-
ed on seven with Jay. I went south looking
for hay afternoon. Not much there. Very
hot until noon & then got very cold.

(165)

1900 Cool in morn. but got warm
June 26 through day. Mark & I
both plowed on Seven, I came
home at six o'clock, and before
horses were in stable it began
to rain, we had a very heavy
shower and caught about three
hundred of water, it rained a
lot more north & east of here.
That is the first rain of
this year I only hope lots
of it comes

" 27 A cool day Sun shone at times
but not always wind from north
and kept very cool. Mark & I
plowed on Seven. Finished piece
of yellow on each side grain & hgan
part other.

" 28 A slight rain falling as we got
up but it cleared up at eight
and we started out to plow. Very cool
all day & we got along well on
Seven. Maggie went to Ladies Aid at

(166)

1900 A cool day and wind east. Mark
June 29 I plowed until noon after
went to Oak Lake with J. Miller
& heard two speakers speak at
Institute had a pleasant time
Mark plowed alone on Seven afternoon
Wind east all day and a big cloud
around Sun looks like rain.
I sent up school estimates to
Inspector Lay at Vidua, we
want \$400⁰⁰ special tax

" 30 A very cold day I had with a
plowing and walked half the time
but wind went through my coat
& it was very cold. Mark & I plowed
all day on Seven and got along
well. A few sprinkles of rain
this morn. kept us in a little
late but did us good. East
wind all day and looks like
rain tonight. Mr. Smith came
today & took Sadie home,
Cecil also went up with them

(167)

1900 A dull dark morn. & things
July 2 growing well but about
noon seen came out, and it
was hot & sun & shine afternoon
Mark plowed on seven with
gang forenoon he, Melville
Rural & I went to Oak Lake
afternoon to see sports, got home
seven o'clock. Had a big rain
on Saturday night & Sunday
morn, the best we have had
this year

" 3 Had a few drops of rain after
noon but nothing to signify. Mary
Smith brought Cecil down this
morn. and stayed nearly all day
I tried to cut hay in morn. but
morn was too dull afternoon
took out plow points to Oak Lake
& had to leave them there. Mark
finished with fallow on seven
at noon & ran scuffer in
potatoes noon after

(168)

1900 I went to Oak Lake forenoon
July 4 & brot. home plow points
Mark ran scuffer in corn fore
noon then at noon he & I left
& turned oats after he finished up
fugons in fallow near hill
& I sowed hulled on corn. Very
hot all day we need more rain
" 5 Some thunder & lightning before
we got up, it rained very heavily
at Oak Lake, but we only got a
few drops here cloudy & dull fore
noon, I sowed some hulled seed in
morn. & then began to plow with
four horses on fallow near hill
it began to rain at eleven o'clock
& kept it up until bed time still
at it as we go to bed, it is a
nice steady rain and a lot
has fallen a good wind with
it from north. We ran
cluster & got some done also
sharped knives for morn

(169)

1900 Rained until eleven o'clock
July 6 today that was 24 hours
without a stop lots of rain
now it will help late oats
and also stretch wheat a p
Some. Mack plowed fallow
west of potatoes afternoon, I
plowed west milnes. Looks
very much like rain tonight
again

" 7 Began to rain some time
through night and was pouring
when I got up but stopped
about six o'clock. I plowed in
fallow near milnes until noon
Mack plowed near school fore-
noon then harrowed corn ground
where I had sowed millet after
that he plowed with gang I
took Chosie out to Oak Lake
afternoon & had his feet atten-
ded too. Corral took mare up
to Mrs Smiths afternoon

(170)

1900 Raining very heavily when we got
July 9 up but it only lasted a short
time and we had a nice day
Mack done gang plow west milnes
forenoon & I went to Mrs McCallum
trying to get a horse but could
not after I went to W. R. Smiths
& got one there, afternoon Mack
plowed with walking plow
west of house & I ran gang.
Corral & Mack took Cow to
A. J. Ladds this evening

" 10 Sprinkled rain a short time
this morn & we did not get out to
work until nine o'clock then ab-
out eleven it poured for an
hile I got food & went on plow.
Clear & bright all afternoon. I
plowed with gang all day west
milnes & Mack west of potatoes.
Lans Gallecian girls came at
noon we took one on to the
Callum & kept the other

(171)

1900 I plowed all day near
July 11 milnes. Mark cut some
grass at house in evening. went
to milnes in evening & got his
rake & we coiled it up. Very
hot all afternoon hard to work
it was so hot. Wind a slight
breeze from S.E.

"12 A nice cool day wind pretty
strong from all quarters, very
heavy thunder & lightning after
we went to bed and must have
rained very hard some places
but we only had a few drops.
I finished plowing fallow
next milnes at six o'clock
and Mark finished west of
hog pasture at seven that
makes us 90 acres of fallow
all plowed now. The
three boys went out to Oak
Lake to a Methodist picnic
there tonight

(172)

1900 A very hot day. Mark
July 13 harrowed all day on Seven
with four horses, I hoed in
garden & also dug some couch
grass.

"14 Wind strong & cool from west.
I ran cucumber an hile & got J.
Carpenter chop done. Forenoon
dug in garden taking out a piece
of couch grass in trees after-
noon went to Oak Lake. Mark
harrowed on Seven all day

"16 A good shower of rain as we got
up this morn. Mark harrowed on
Seven until noon then ran cultiva-
tor in potatoes after that harrowed
again I hoed in potatoes. A
nice cool day wind from S.W.

"18 Mark worked on road today, I
plowed in wheat there is 40 acres of
it not worth leaving, so I am plowing
it up. Very heavy clouds came up after
noon & we had a good heavy shower ^{near night}

(173)

1900 A very cool day wind
July 18 N.W. all day forenoon Sun
did not shine & I was very
Cold on plow, afternoon Sun
shone & it was not so bad.
Mark worked on road all
day & finished our Statute
labor. I plowed down wheat
"19 I plowed down wheat all
forenoon and after went to Oak
Lake got Barney's shod also
got some flour. Mark harrowed
with two horses forenoon and
five after, finished on seven
and began to harrow west of corn
on five. Only two degrees above
frost this morn. Clear hot
forenoon but got more cloudy
towards night
"20 Mark finished harrowing on seven
west of corn, I plowed down wheat
all day. Wind north cool
Sun shone bright all day

(174)

1900 A nice day Sun shone bright
July 21 all day but wind was cool
from W. I was not well today
and sat in house. Mark har-
rowed with five horses on
fallow near Milnes. Corral
took Charlie's horse out to Oak
Lake & got him shod & arrived
home at eleven.
"22 A very hot day a slight breeze
from north. Mark finished
harrowing fallow near Milnes
at four o'clock & then plowed
down turnips & harrowed the
ground. I had potatoes all
day
"23 A very hot day. I plowed
with John plowing up wheat on
Sod until eleven o'clock, Mark
plowed afternoon, forenoon he cut
hay. I went to Oak Lake afternoon
& took A. J. Leitch to see my
cattle at Lays sold him 14 head at

(175)

1900 A very hot day a man
July 25 would sweat standing
till grain drying up and we
need rain very badly. I plow-
ed up wheat all day. Mark
finished cutting hay reeled
some of it up

" 26 I plowed in sod all day
it goes bad and hard to keep
plow in. Mark drilled up
potatoes with plow also got
in two loads hay. Wind S.W.
all day and although sun
shone bright the wind kept
weather dark

" 27 Very cloudy when we got up
and at seven it began to rain
kept it up for about half
an hour but then cleared
up again and stopped, they
seemed to have got lots of
rain east & south. I went to
Oak Lake & got lever of plow

(176)

1900 finished afternoon work & I
drew in hay from Sec 7
got it all home and have several
loads stacked at stable.
Wind east in day. but west
tonight rain gone again and
we needed it so badly.

July 28 A strong breeze from N.W. fore-
afternoon not so strong. Sun shone
bright all day. I plowed in sod
wheat until six o'clock, when
one plow got bent & I had to
stop. Mark raked slough on
seven the second time & got
load hay after he plowed
trees east of house & then
went to plow down wheat

" 30 A hot sun all day but a nice
breeze from W. Mark finished plowing
down wheat in stubble at noon and
began at sod after it goes well with
long handled plow. I went to Oak
Lake afternoon & on down ^{long plow} tree hay on

(177)

1900 Wind east all day cool
July 31 although sun was hot.
Mark plowed up wheat
all day. I went to Oak Lake
afternoon & attended Mr. Woods
funeral.

Aug 1st Went to Oak Lake forenoon took
out wagon with basket rack on
and also had mower behind.
had dinner in Oak Lake &
then went on to R. L. Lays
see 17 cut hay there. Bon-
ding at Treston very hot.
Mark plowed down wheat
on sod all day.

2 Cut hay until noon
then went to Lays & took
up his rake & raked until
night very hot all day looks
like rain tonight. Mark plowed
wheat down on sod all day.

(178)

1900 Mark came down to hay
Aug 3 forenoon & we stacked bal-
ance of day. rained a few
drops last night & wind
blew hard

4 Stacked hay until five
o'clock when we started
for home got sixteen loads
of hay in stack will cut
a little more on Sunday.
J. Milne cutting wheat today
very hot grain ripening up
fast

6 I went down to hay again today
began to cut there at three o'clock
and finished it at eight, looks
like rain tonight

7 Lots of thunder & lightning last
night & a very heavy rain. I left
Treston and came home, met
Mark on road coming down to hay
one turned him back, he
plowed wheat down balance

(179)

1900 of day I cut weeds
where up grass is there is
a heavy crop of them there
and it does not cut well
as ground is wet. The hottest
day of the season horses
white with froth all
day looks very like thunder
& rain tonight. J. Miller
& J. Coe finished cutting rain
Aug 8. Must finish plowing down
wheat on sod at noon & then
begin with gang to plow down
piece of oats where we put
manure it is nearly all weeds
he finished it and got ar-
ound a piece in pasture we
intend plowing. I had four
noon and went to Lake
after. Very hot all day and
looks like rain tonight

(180)

1900 Fearful heavy thunder
Aug 9 & lightning last night
after we went to bed, and it
also rained a lot, ground
very wet this morn. Must plow
in pasture all day. I did no-
thing else & warm all day & day
very little.

10 Wind east all day and looks
like rain but none fell, saw
Shore very little. I went to see
Luttes in my foot a man from
him to help us cut the hawes
I then went to Maskawato for
mail and afternoon backsets
with gang. Must plow
with gang forenoon & walking
plow after

11 A dull dark day Sun did
not shine all day. Sprinkling
now all forenoon I went to Lake
Lake in evening & stayed to Agr.
Society meeting afternoon. Must cut

(181)

1900 Rained very heavy yesterday
Aug 13 for a short while, very dark
both & looks as if it was
hail we had none. I fixed up
binders forenoon, & also went to
Oak Lake for some repairs
got started cutting afternoon
on Sec. 7 some of the wheat
is dead ripe & lots of it
very green. Frank & I went
on seven with fany forenoon
and mowed weeds after.
The Gallasian I mowed on
Saturday can't do this morn.
he had weeds among the
until five afternoon when
he stopped on seven
" 14 went on seven all day with
three horses only a short time
in afternoon when it rained
I & Frank with fany. Drove out
south and finished hay
today

(182)

1900 Went to Oak Lake first thing
Aug 15 this morn. for doctor for Maggie
she has dysentery. Frank ran
binders until I came back.
Broke binder right after noon
and had to go to Oak Lake
for repairs. A fearful hot
day and not a breath
off wind. Frank & I passed
stopped all day
" 16 Cut all day on seven only
a couple of hours our big chow
broke & I had to go to Oak
Lake for another. A nice
breeze from east all day
" 17 Frank started binders at five
this morn & we kept it going un-
til dark, a fearful hot day
really impossible to work. Mr.
Dobson came along near night
and delayed me a good while
It will take us a half day
on seven next

(183)

1900 Lots of lightning &
Aug 18 Thunder last night
After we went to bed it
also rained a big shower
I took some parts of lumber
to Carl Lake got them
fixed, then got these lumber
started at eleven o'clock
finished cutting on Senaw at
four o'clock and went around
a hundred acres or five it is
a very poor crop some of it
want so three bushels per
acre. Terrible hot all day
" 20 Lots of thunder & lightning before
we got up this morn. and it also
rained a little. Began to cut at
nine o'clock and worked
until dark. Mand took
Charli's horse to Carl
Lake & got him shod he
also went to keep's & paid
Calto's fee. A little Charles took

(184)

1900 A nice day not so warm as
Aug 21 Some days cut all day and
got a lot done. Lots of thunder
& lightning as we go to bed
and got the very small lake
rain. Maggie made bargain
with our girl yesterday
she started yesterday for
14 months for \$120.00 all
work done so far to pay
for passage down from
Dorshin
" 22 Very heavy thunder & light
last night and it rained
rain coming on towards morn.
it also rained a heavy shower
after we got up. I went to
Carl Lake in buggy forenoon
days had many trees after
we had made back with
my plow on Senaw &
got the narrow track
Callacion & took

(185)

1900 Very wet this morn. So did
Aug 23 not begin to cut until
ten o'clock ground soft and
stickin' to wheel. Sent for
ten until eight east of home
Mark & Callarian took cow
to Mrs. Lods to sell this morn.
Rained a few drops about
five o'clock but not
enough to stop us. Lots
of thunder today

" 24 A nice day sun shone all
day and we got a good days
cutting. Mrs. S & Sadie here
for tea, Cecil went up home
with them. Lots of thunder
& lightning also big black
clouds west this evening but
we got no rain

" 25 Cut all day and finished
the hundred acres east of
house. I went to O.C. to
see him.

(186)

1900 Wind blew strong from
Aug 27 west all day we ran comb
all hile, the first time in a
month. W.C. came down
& help me cut, we finished
piece west to O.C. & began
at ^{east} wheat very cold all
day and feels like first
tonight

" 28 Mark cut wheat all day
I hoed in garden and among
trees, wheat cutting all done to
night and nearly all stored
a few hours will finish
Wind west in day but got
around to east before noon
Kept cool all day and we
had a very high first last
night. Some lightning in
west & north tonight as we
go to bed. This week has
terday since we started
to cut wheat

(187)

1900 About the worst storm
I ever seen came up last
night at 11.30 wind was
terrific and it blew three
doors off implement shed,
rain fell in torrents and
also a little hail but not
much so you could read
by lightning at it was a
steady flash for an hour
I went to Oak Lake forenoon
storm did a lot of damage
there afternoon I cut weeds on
rife with mower. Mark
Cut weeds forenoon and
Set up stooks afternoon
Vaseb cut wood forenoon
Set up stooks after