



17th Road
Oct 2nd 1907
May 22nd 1908

19/36/26 250
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R. Smith

Finished writing in the
16th book on 1st January
and began the 17th book
the 14th book

(1)

1907 Arkney down and measure
Oct 2nd until noon that finished all
the measure in yard about 300
loads we had put out in pos-
ture. All day some post holes
around yard forenoon & after he
& Arkney dug potatoes we got
20 bags with 20 lbs. weight, I
went to Car house in evening.

" 3rd A lovely day sun & wind
& a nice breeze from W. McNeill
went to bad lake afternoon &
brought home some trout. Rest of
day worked at potatoes & got
200 lbs. of potatoes.

" 4th A lovely day, McNeill & Allenden
worked at potatoes all day,
Arkney & Errol. I went to W. C.
& thrashed a stack of wheat &
one of barley for him.

(2)

1907 A lovely hot day cloudy in
Oct 6. May. but got bright hot
through day. I worked at W.C.,
all day and made 423 bushels
of 2 feet had had luck with
cylinder teeth. I hoped machine
to see if tonight we will think
the tomorrow if it don't rain.
" 5th Maggie & I went to Under to-
day a very hot day and grain
must be drying well. Day the
reaping at W.C., all day and
did well.

" 7th A lovely hot day cloudy in
May. but got bright & very
hot towards noon. I then had
at W.C., all day and had
had luck with cylinder teeth
getting some only made 423
bushels had to leave the

(3)

1907 Began to thresh on seven
cats this morn. but it was so windy
we had to stop after threshing
but bunks and we started
up potatoes. got nearly all up
but it began to rain in after-
noon and we did not get them
all picked. I went to Grinnell
in afternoon all disagreeable
time as it blew hard, also
rained some & hailed. What 91
last today

9 A nice forenoon on a fine
yesterday we did not thresh any
more to day. Lusk and brother
gasoline man finished taking
up potatoes. Afternoon we
threshed on seven and made
over three hundred bunks
good & less six dozen. got one
out of all at 96¢

(4)

1907 A nice forenoon but got very
Oct 10 windy afternoon and although
sun shone bright all day it
was so windy that it was not
pleasant. Machine gave us a
lot of bother today, engine and
beating and at last it would
not spark and we had to stop
only made 246 all day. I went
to look for after night for
expert and to Jack's to have
tomorrow

11 J. M. Lusk & A. Jack out
this morn & we worked at engine
until noon but only got started
then, air chamber was too cold
& we had no way to warm it
A young man came from Vander to put
in chaffer & he got it going. He only
threshed one load today & worked
at putting in chaffer

(5) 11

1907 Got-bayer on machine
Oct 12 & threshed 56 bushels fore
noon & over 300 after machine
ran well we had a lot of
long straw and not much
wheat in it, still at 7:30
on seven and have about 150
bushels there to thresh yet.
Very frosty last night but
a lovely warm day and
wind has got south.

" 14 A lovely hot day as warm as
July threshed all day on seven
and only made 256 bushels
finished the 50 acres of fallow
and both machine & horse tonight
broke a casting on cylinder in
mug. and took until noon
to get it fixed. I went to East
after noon and settled some
baps

(6)

1907 A lovely hot day as warm as
Oct 15 July. We threshed all day
in yard here and got along well had
no stops, straw very long all after-
noon and we only made 470 bushels
I have toil on back of hand
and could do nothing all afternoon
but I have Smith here for awhile
today

" 16 I went to Oak Lake fore
noon threshed in yard all
day and finish bed field south
of house in less than
was last year. N C's teams
not here but we only had our
own gang. A lovely hot
day. would last some time
& then got N. W. near night
H. L. Green at Oak Lake
threshing time

(7)

1907 Very cold all day wind north
 Oct 17 blew very strong forenoon but
 not so bad after, Sun show
 clear & bright all day but it
 was very cold and freezing hard
 tonight. We threshed all day
 on 40 acres near W.R. Smith &
 made 34, bushels it is good
 wheat but only averaging about
 12 bushels per acre
 " 18 finished the 40 acres near
 W.R. Smith's today at 4 P.M.
 and moved into yard again and
 began to haul wheat from fallow
 near school. The 40 acres aver-
 aged 15 bushels per acre. Very
 frosty this morn. and all pipes
 around engine frozen up,
 fire & water during day, wind
 S.W. nearly all day but east
 tonight

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1907 Cold east wind forenoon. Had
 Oct 19 no gasoline in tank so Cecil
 Grace & I went to Lake in buggy
 & then bus. on two loads wheat &
 brought home five barrels of
 gasoline. Afternoon we threshed
 wheat on fallow near school
 machine. John yard got along
 well. Maggie took Alice back
 home afternoon
 " 21 A lovely day warm & pleasant
 I threshed in yard until noon
 and going back at 4 hours on
 fire then moved to even and
 then back afternoon on stubble
 wheat it is not turning out
 very well as there is too many
 wild oats. Mr Smith & I went
 to see here for dinner to-
 day

(9)

1907 A lovely hot day and
Oct 22 we threshed all day in seven
made 279 wheat full of wild
oats. J. Keenan came today
and brot. Mr. Steen out to
see what a flying machine.

Got out machine at W.C.
tonight

• 23 A warm day at times very
hot but wind blew hard at times
from nearly all points of compass
threshed in seven until five o'clock
when we broke for dinner and
had to go to Car Lake for others

• 24 Wind blowing pretty hard
from north this morn. and it
was cold. We fixed up machine
and got wheat all threshed
at noon 3903 bushels in all
an average of 20. Dressed some
first crop in afternoon & did some more

(10)

1907 Got two loads wheat to
Oct 25. Grinnold forenoon & Allden
plowed some in seven, after noon
we threshed barley Orkney & I
each had a wagon hauling in
stooks and we made 240
bushels, it is small in grain and
a poor sample. Very windy
from south all afternoon
• 26 I threshed barley forenoon
as seven blowing a hurricane
all the time from north, I
am pretty badly used up with
boiler & sore back. Afternoon
Orkney crushed. Allden
Ceil took two loads wheat
to Car Lake. Still very
windy as we go to bed
and feels like snow

(11)

1907 A fine day sun bright
Oct 28 warm all day. I stayed in
house forenoon used up with the
back & boils. Afternoon Maggie & I
took Errol out to Grimbold where
he went to Wpg. to attend agricul-
tural College for the winter. Threshed
269 bushels of barley today. Wind
N. E. and feel like late snow.
" 29 Wind S. E. all day and felt
like snow. we threshed barley on
sieve all day and finished it
near eight o'clock, we had 10450
bushels in all a yield of only 38 bush
per acre.
" 30 Rained a little last night & too
damp to thresh stocks. I went to Cat
Lake. Man got engine over from Sever
& after noon we threshed two loads
oats & have two more on way but
they are too wet and we won't thresh
them now.

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1907 Orkney dig ditch from slough on
Oct 31 Sever but it was too shallow
and did not drain any. Alandeen
fixed granary forenoon and both
men took the two loads on horse to
Cat Lake afternoon and it graded
3 W that is three loads that has
graded 3 W this year. Cecil &
Melville went to Cat Lake with
W. B. to shoot geese & one got one
Thanksgiving today
Nov 1 A lovely day we threshed
oats in yard all day. Afternoon
Merrick's man & Reuben's man
came to help us and we got
along well have 670 of oats done.
W. Mc Donald here since eleven
o'clock trying to get gas line engine
to work and can't get it to go
he is staying all night and
will try again tomorrow

(13)

1907 Frosty & foggy this morn. and
Nov 2 we did not thresh any until
afternoon, Or Kuey worked at ditch
for draining slough on Seven and
Abdeen took load wheat to Gris-
wold, the last wheat in granary
on Seven that grew on stable
land. Afternoon we threshed oats,
moved machine out into oat
field east of hog pasture
"4 Threshed in oats all day and
made nearly 500 bushels machine
ran fine and we had no stops.
My back very sore all day.
"5 I am not able to do anything
today stayed in bed until near
noon back very bad but better
tonight. Day finish had threshing
out at 10.30 we had 1500 bushels
in all. Abdeen took out ^{small} engine to Oak
Lake after a lovely hot day

(14)

1907 Maggie went to Griswold after
Nov 6 noon. Melville made one trip to Gris-
wold with wheat and Abdeen made two
Or Kuey set up engine into place for crushing.
"7 A nice day. Two teams made ~~two~~^{one}
loads each to Oak Lake Griswold
with wheat, got loaded up fore-
noon also got part of the granaries over
from Seven and set behind pump
chance for coal, Or Kuey did some
crushing.
"8 Got out four loads of wheat today
Or Kuey went home then cleaned
up one around house, then went to
help P. J. McNeill's thresh machine
got moved into stacks but did not
do anything. I made my first trip
out with wheat to Griswold this
afternoon, we are storing there and
will ship when we have enough out

(15)

1907 A dull grey day, flakes of snow
Nov 9 coming down all the time, but
hardly showed on ground and sun
did not shine all day. I took load
wheat to Griswold forenoon and
after I went to Oak Lake & brot.
home bag of flour & one coal
Melville took out load of wheat
to Griswold afternoon. Orkney tel-
ped herring to truck forenoon
then machine broke and he came
home & drew manure spreader.

"11 A very cold day, sun shone bright
& warm afternoon but air was
keen & cold and freezing hard all
day I took out load to Griswold
forenoon and after noon Aberdeen
& I took out two loads. Orkney
hauled out two loads from yard
& spread from pile in field. Melville
started to go to school to Griswold
today

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1907 A cold day but pleasant, sun
Nov 12 shone strong nearly all day. I took
out two loads wheat to Griswold &
Aberdeen took one. Have 1074 bushels
out there now and R. McLaw is
going to ship it I have not sold yet
but will soon. Melville at school
in Griswold. Orkney helping her
herring to truck today

"13 A cold day but sun & home pleasant
heard it was below zero this morn. I
went to Oak Lake forenoon after got
crusher going Aberdeen ran it & I
went to H. Youngs to see some steers
also went to W. Gouffs & brot home
piece of Sam's old belt. Orkney threshing
at herring. Got calves into their
own place tonight for first time
also got heifers into stable. Very
frosty tonight

(17)

1907 A cold day heard it was
Nov 14 eight below zero this morn.
I went to Gismold first thing in morn.
sold car of wheat to R. McCann
for 94 1/2 on a basis of 1 M. got
300⁰⁰ from him and went on to
Oak Lake & paid up some debts
there. Cecil & Aberdeen mot.
two loads coal from Bray's &
Orkney & threshing at Merrick's.
"15 A nice day but very windy
Sun shone bright, but it was cold
I ~~put~~ put glass in storm sash
& we got a fine of them. Orkney was
threshing at Merrick's all day, I
went to Gismold tonight to
hear Mr. Salter lecture in Meth-
odist Church, it was their
anniversary & they had supper
in hall

(18)

1907 A lovely day, Orkney drew
Nov 16 Kraume all day with spreader
Aberdeen piled wood and we
got a few more storm sash
and went to Oak Lake afternoon
and took swim with me.
"16 A nice clear sunny day, very
frosty in morn. and not too warm
all day but a splendid day for
the season. I went to Oak Lake fore-
noon and after put some glass into
storm sash, Orkney finished
spreading pile of Kraume in
field and then cleaned out box
stall where cattle were fattened
last winter & we spread it with
Kraume spreader on 40 acres
near Mr. R. Smiths. Folks all
gone to concert in Ryerson Church
tonight only Miss Chaly & I at
home

(19)

1907 A very windy day but
Nov 19 warm I went to Grismold
forenoon to see about return
from car of wheat but no
word yet. Art Kuey hauled out
manure all day. Aberdeen chowd
around and also did some crushing
afternoon. Art Kuey's time up
tonight and he has put in
six months and now goes to
J. J. McEhie for the winter
" 20 Chowd around all day and
did some crushing a lovely
warm day.
" 21 Another very nice warm day
we chowd around got Len
home cleaned out. R
Galashan not very well to-
day he is troubled with
cramps and neuralgia

(20)

1907 A nice warm day again
Nov 22 and wind south, R Galashan
sick all day with cramps but
better this afternoon. We had
three loads to crush but only got
a little done when a chunk of
iron broke upper part Cornays
grain to plates so I went to Oak
Lake and ordered another one
from J. J. McEhie.
" 23 A frosty morn. but got warm through
the day and afternoon was fine.
I went to see Mr. Whaley forenoon and
bought two bushels of feed wheat
from him at 200, afternoon I took
out load wheat to Grismold and
will try to load another car there.
Boys got some steer from Cornays to-
day and Cecil went to Oak Lake after
noon and brot home Mrs. Southern she
is to stay all December winter

(21)

1907 A very fine day cold but
Nov 25th pleasant and sun ^{shone bright}
I took two loads to Oak Lake today
Dah got load of ice and did chow
Ceil & Maggie went to Oak Lake
tonight

• 26 Blew hard from east all day and
was chilly but not frosty. I went to
Oak Lake forenoon in buggy and
did some business there, Ceil
went to Griswold with load
wheat forenoon and after I took
load out. Very dark bright and
wind stray from east

• 27 About an inch of snow when
we got up this morn. and a slight
wind from north, I took load
wheat to Griswold very slippery for
horses and afternoon I took load
to Oak Lake & but some load of
Cass

(22)

1907 A cold day the most frosty we
Nov 28 have had, and snow is making
the roads very slippery. I took out two
loads wheat to Griswold today.

" 29 Snowed very hard for awhile
this morning and kept it snow again
nearly all day. I took out load wheat to
Griswold forenoon and after Bob & I
did some crushing. I have a bad pain
in my neck and can't do very much
Heard from Sister Nancy today and
she is coming up next Wednesday

" 30 Not very cold today but ^{sun} shone very
little. Ceil went out with load
wheat afternoon to Griswold & got
horses shod behind. Bob & Melville
worked at stables all day & got them
all cleaned out, had seven loads in
all. Maggie went to Oak Lake afternoon
I was sick in house all day - bad cold
& bilious

(23)

1907 Had school meeting at ten
Dec 2nd o'clock today and had a
stormy time. W.C. was put in
minutes again to replace himself.
Afternoon we had beekeeping meeting
at Riperson school and did not
get home until near ten o'clock
W.K. Smith is to be butchered
next year and ring is to continue
for 24 weeks. A nice day and
not cold. Cecil took out load
wheat to Griswold afternoon

"3 A nice day I took out wheat to
Griswold forenoon and Cecil
went with load afternoon. Bob
& I crushed load oats & barley
for J. Kuhn after noon we got it
all done only three bags when
engine stopped and we did no
more. Not very cold today

(24)

1907 A lovely day not cold
Dec 4 Slew show bright & clear
I went to Oak Lake Griswold
forenoon with wheat and after
helped Bob Cusack then went
to Oak Lake to meet sister Nancy
& her husband coming up from
Ottawa. Train was over seven
hours late. So I waited at J.
McKeever for them

"5 A nice day not cold. Cecil took
out two loads wheat today, Bob & I
crushed two loads chop afternoon.
W.C. & wife here for tea dinner and
spoke most of afternoon here with
Sister Nancy Hunter Gowans.

"6 A lovely day not cold wind
blowing slightly from S.W. Hunter &
I went to Oak Lake forenoon & after I went
to Kuhn's to help get up books of beekeeping.
Cecil made two trips to Griswold with
wheat today

(25)

1907 A fine day but wind sent
Dec 7 and feels as if we would have
some snow. Percy & Kewter here
all day, he was sick in bed
nearly all day with sore throat.
Cecil made his trip with wheat
to Chi. should today. Cleaned out
all stables forenoon and did some
crushing for J. S. Little and
our relatives afternoon.

" 9 A cold day the coldest we have
had, saw snow very little & it
was foggy & dull. I went to Oak
Lake at eleven to attend Agri-
Cultural Society meeting a new
board of directors appointed and
I was made Sec. Treas. at \$40
per year. Sister Kewey & her
husband left for Edmonton
tonight.

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1907 A dull day, no Sunshine but
Dec 10 was very cold. I took out six
bags wheat forenoon that finishes
all the wheat I have, but I bor-
rowed two loads from J. Kniebe to
make up my car so I can put in
1300 bushels in it, Cecil took
out a load from Mr. Kniebe's this
afternoon. Bob & I crushed all
afternoon for W. Gump & V. J.
McGhee.

" 11 A lovely day, Cecil took out
load wheat forenoon from Mr
Kniebe's to make up our car, that
makes 1396 bushels we have out
there now. Maggie took me out in
buggy afternoon & I went to Brandon
I sold wheat to brother Calenator for
\$300⁰⁰ on it and they are to hold
it until I want to sell.

(27)

1907 Another nice day not very
Dec. 13 Cold I came from Brandon
today, and brought home Melville's
pony he came home with Mr
Carpenter. Cecil stayed at home
and helped Bob with chores
forenoon and went for ice after

"13 I was 48 today A dull foggy
day but not cold and it was
pleasant to work. Bob & I made
a load for Wm Gump and then
did a lot for ourselves. Maggie
went to Oak Hill for a

"14 A foggy dull day but not
cold got all stables cleaned
out at noon and after Cecil
Grace & I went to Oak Hill
where I stayed until eight paying
out prize money for the
Society got some bear signs

(28)

1907 Colder today than usual and
Dec 16 Kept snowing a little all day
but not much fell. We did all
chores forenoon and after we killed
two pigs, Maggie & I went to W.R.
tonight for a short while

"17 A nice day little colder than usual
but still very pleasant. I fixed up
books of Agr. Society and after noon
we carried load for Mr Grawnt
& J. S. Little.

"18 The coldest day we have had yet,
Sun shone bright & clear but
wind blew strong from south and
was cold. Sent up a small heifer
that W.R. killed for us yesterday
it is all ready for pork noon
afternoon Bob, Cecil & I went to
W.D. Young's sale, I bought incubator
& brooder, W. Sloan here for dinner
& tea, he bought a mare at sale

(29)

1907 A lovely day, sun warm
Dec 19 & hardly a breeze. Did
chores forenoon and after I went
to Oak Lake took Ralph Grace.
Bob went to H.V. Hays forenoon
& beat home barley, also incubator
& brooder. Melville went to J.S. Little
last night a party to his father's.

"20 A cold day but so warm as usual
but a very nice day, got all chores done
forenoon and a load of steam in
and afternoon we cumbered, but
one pipe was frozen and we had
our hands getting it off & thawed
and it took us a long time to
get it started. We got Mr. Dunning's
load cumbered and also some for
ourselves. We all went to Christmas
tree in Ryerson Church tonight
got home at ten o'clock.

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1907 A nice clear day sun show
Dec 21 bright but wind blew pretty
strong from south west. Cleaned all
stables forenoon and after I went to
Oak Lake while Cecil & Melville went
to Gismold to meet Corral he is
coming home for Christmas
holidays from Agricultural College
"23 A nice day cold enough to not
thaw but not cold enough to be
disagreeable. I went to Gismold fore-
noon took Walter. Mr. Hill gave me
note for \$65⁰⁰ from R. Graham to
pay me for hulls ^{H.V. Hays} brought from
Mrs. Cecil & Melville brought home
four loads wheat from Mr. Whalleys.
Bob & I did chores forenoon & cumbered
after got over three tons cumbered
after dinner & broke auger in cumber.
Maggie & Melville gone to a concert in
Gismold tonight

(31)

1907 Got two loads wheat home Dec 24 from Mr Whalley with our own teams forenoon and Bert Whalley also brought one, it was a cold stormy forenoon wind strong from N.E. and storm very thick for awhile, but got better at noon & afternoon the three boys & I went out to Oak Lake. Got \$200⁰⁰ from Mr Whalley. Laid down 25 today.

25 This is Christmas day and is the coldest we have had this year, heard it was 26 below zero this morn. He had a splendid Christmas dinner and about four o'clock Loral, Keshille & Cecil went up to Grandmas for tea. I sat in house and read all day.

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1907 Wind N.E. when we got up Dec 26 and not very cold, began to storm about nine and some snow fell but not much, got better towards noon and was a good afternoon only cold Keshille brought home two loads from Mr Whalley today, Cecil got one and Bert Whalley also brought one that makes all the wheat, we have six hundred bushels home now. Cecil & I went to Oak Lake afternoon. Loral went to Uncle Tom's this afternoon.

27 A very cold day, the most frosty of the season and kept cold all day. Could not get grain auger or to crusher and had to take shaft out to Girard. Maggie went to her father's afternoon and boys went to Uncle R's.

(33)

1907 A cold day but not unple-
Dec 28asant, cleaned out all
stables forenoon & got in load of
straw & after noon Bob & I crushed
Error went to Oak Lake, Melville
did home work. Cecil went to
L.R. Maggie sick in bed with
Sciatica. W. B. B. Maggie come
here tonight to stay until to-
morrow afternoon

"30 Melville & I cleaned wheat until
three o'clock when a load of chop
came and we did it. Bob & Error
did chores forenoon & after Bob
went for ice & Error went for
coal

"31 A fine pleasant day, Melville &
I cleaned wheat forenoon and after
A. Goodwin & L.R. had come had dinner
here & stayed until three o'clock. Error &

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1907 Bob cleaned out all stables and
afternoon crushed some wheat, barley
& oats for steers. Was very cold

1908

Saw A nice day, but cold, Melville &
I cleaned wheat nearly all day
Boys did chores and got chop for
steers. Went to L.R.'s tonight their
wedding anniversary

" A fine day, W. B. Smith
here all night. Cecil & Melville took
him home this evening & brought down
Wilfey. I took Error out to
Oak Lake Wisconsin and he took
train for Luff. to attend agricul-
tural College. Tried to start
engine but could not too cold
I guess

(35)

1908 A fine day not very cold
Jaw & some wind from N.W. I went to
Car Lake forenoon & after went to Wis-
wold to see about starting up engine
as we can't get engine to go with
the hot tube. Bill & Wilky went to
Car Lake afternoon and took home
a horse from G. Callio, we traded
Ray for him. They also brought
home all the bones coming to us
on the first ticket.

14 A very fine day not cold and
sun shone nice & bright. Maggie
Grace & I went to Wiswold to see
Doctor about Grace, she is pretty
thin and has whooping cough.
Got home at noon, and after I
went to Car Lake can't get our
engine to go so I brought her home
four dry cells for battery.

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1908 A very fine day blew a hurricane
saw 6 all night and today but it was
warm, wind not cold and sun hot.
Got all chores done forenoon and after
we got engine running did some
chop for G. Phillipps and then sawed
some wood for school. Grace, twins
& I went to Car Lake yesterday and
had tea at noon.

17 A lovely day with slight wind from
north but not very cold and
sun was very clear & bright.
I took Grace to Car Lake forenoon
& after Bob & I cleaned wheat.
Maggie went up tree her two days
afternoon.

18 A fine day hardly any frost. Did
chores forenoon & got two pieces glass in
stomach for Grace's room. W. P. S.
& two Keams here forenoon. Afternoon
Bob & I hauled around wood from old stable

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1908 A very fine day and
Law 9 not cold. I took Grace
& two boys to Oak Lake fore-
noon & had to go back after
noon for engine. Had letter
from Corral today

"10 Forenoon did chow and after-
noon crushed a load for Mr. McElhin, after-
noon went to Oak Lake to the Annual
meeting of G. S. A. we had a splendid
meeting and Mr. McKenzie from
Brandon was there and spoke on
the marketing of grain. A very
fine day not cold

"11 A fine day but afternoon it
began snowing & we had a good
storm for awhile but it did
not last long. Got all stables
cleaned out forenoon, and after did
some cranking and then sawed
wood. Cecil went to Oak Lake for

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1908 A nice day our thermometer, said
Law 13 a least ten degrees of frost all day.
Took load of hay to Oak Lake
forenoon ten of them sold to Burns
they weighed 2520 pounds. Afternoon
chopped a load for J. Baillie,
Dob did chow. Ce heard here to
day fixing a table stool and other
work. Mrs. Kule here awhile
afternoon. Maggie had again with
Sciatica. Grace no better of whooping
cough

"14 Temp below zero this morn. and al-
though sun shone bright & clear it
was cold and kept keen all day.
Tried to run engine today but did
not manage to get cylinder hot
enough & did not start. Dr. Wright
here this evening and prescribed for
Maggie & Grace, they are both
better tonight

(29)

1908 Not so cold as yesterday. I
Jan 15 went to Oak Lake forenoon
took out dynamo and left
it at H. Stevens. Afternoon
we crushed a load for H.
Lodd & also one for B. Laska
W. Rowing brought some barley
I am giving him a 6 instead.
Grace very poorly all day and
Mrs Smith no better.

" 16 Chores around all day a nice
day but some below zero

" 17 Cowing hot. load chop today
also J. Little & Bob & I did
chores & then cleaned wheel
balance of day we did not
crush any today.

" 18 Mr. Pommer & H. W. Sperry hauled
loads of chop today, but we did
not chop any. Got all stables cleaned
out forenoon I went to Oak Lake
after 4 o'clock got two loads coal at Grandville

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1908 A lovely warm day. Got all
Jan 20 Chores done up forenoon and
afternoon crushed until dark
doing over four tons, hot a bit
Cold today

" 21 Some colder today wind N.W.
tried to snow a little in evening
but soon cleared up and day was
nice but wind was in the
north and colder. Crunched
two loads forenoon and I went
to Oak Lake afternoon & Bob went
for load of ice.

" 22 The coldest day we have had
for some time. 14 below zero this
evening and kept cold all day in spite
of a good clear sun. I took Sam to
Montgomery in evening and left her
there afternoon Bob & I crushed
two loads and then for ourselves

(41)

1908 Blew pretty hard from S.W.
Jan 23rd all day and wind was
cool but not very frosty, I
took the cows down to her
knoutyomenji forenoon and hot
the white one home. Afternoon
I went to Oak Lake for rough
for cattle feed.

"24 A fine day, Bob took steer
over to Dr. H's this morn. got it killed
& did chores, afternoon we crushed
loads for V. Phillips. Mr. Smith
here for dinner. Not cold

"25 A fine day, cleaned all
stables forenoon and after I went
to Oak Lake to attend S. A. D. meeting
had a good meeting. Bob got Sam home
from Montpelier. Sam settles
Sick today.

(42)

1908 Blew from the west, but
Jan 27th at noon it was warm and
we were working in bare hands and
shirt sleeves, but toward night
it got very cold and windy, a regular
blizzard I went to school for
the 3 children, Bob & I crushed
afternoon until near four when
the snow halted that had a crank
break, Kaelin's tan collar to
circum a school his time this
year.

"28 A very cold day the worst of
the season, it was 30 below this
morn when we got up and the warm-
est it was all day was 14 below
and tonight as we go to bed it is
28 below. I went to Oak Lake fore-
noon and after Bob & I cleaned
wheat

(43)

1908 U very cold day. 36 below
Jan 29 zero that is by far the
coldest yet. Did all the chores
and then worked at engine to
get it going and after everything
was ready we found the com-
pression valve was broken and
I had to take cylinder head off
& go to Oak Lake & telegraph for
new the valve.

* 30 Worked around home all day
and cleaned wheat afternoon
Very cold about 30 below zero
this day.

* 31 I went to Oak Lake forenoon
for repair for engine but it
had not come so I came home
and afternoon went up to
see how Mrs Smith was she
has been sick all winter. Grace
had a poor day today and is not so
well as yesterday

(44)

1908 30 below zero this day.
Feb 1st when we got up and kept
cold all day, although wind got
S.W towards evening. Got all stables
cleaned out forenoon & boys & I
went to Oak Lake afternoon
had an Institute meeting
there and a good crowd.
Grace better today than she
was yesterday.

* 3 Ten below zero this day. but
got warmer during day. Did up
all chores forenoon and then got
cylinder head on engine and
everything fixed up and crushed
some afternoon for H. V. Young
and quite a bit for ourselves.
Dr. Hicks here to see. Grace found
her some better. Mrs R. B. here for
ambulance also Mrs Kennedy. Wind N.E.
tonight

(15)

1908 Blowing hard from east
Feb 4 as we got up and kept
getting worse all day a regular
blizzard before night could
not see any distance away.
W. R. came for Mrs Smithers
for an hill forenoon, The Doctor
there from Urdan, He tried to
start engine but it was too
old so we cleaned wheels.

"5- Did up all chores forenoon and
after we got engine going took in
a long time as we had to heat
Cylinders & also than water it
was too thick to run in pipes,
Our dynamo would not work and
two cells of battery were no good
So we ran with only two cells,
and crushed 40 bags for our own
steers and also some for horses
& pigs. J. J. Smith had load today

(16)

1908 A cold day I went to Lake
Feb 6 forenoon and got hellie mare
shard afternoon we got load chop
over to steer stable & chow around
finally. Bob sick with cramps,
afternoon. Wind N.E. & storming a
little as we go to bed.

"7 Stormed hard all day from
N.E. sometimes could not see
very far. Bob & I ran engine after
noon and crushed over four tons
Snow drifting a lot and some
falling also.

"8 Cleaned out all stables forenoon
and after Maggie Melville & I went
to Oak Lake, Melville came home
with R. Kennedy, Maggie & I had
tea at Mrs Little's & did not
get home until near dark. Wind
South tonight, but Snowed some
today & was not pleasant

(47)

1908 Wind N.E. all day but not
Set 10 Cold. I took out four logs
to Oak Lake - forenoon and
after Bob & I crushed for
H. Laster & ourselves. Maggie
& Cecil went to Ryerson Church
tonight

" 11 A warm nice day and raining.
When we got up but soon stopped
but kept foggy until afternoon.
Thermometer kept above freezing
all day. Rained nearly all
day. Wm Sloan here for dinner.
A Mr Lawrence one of the
revivalists here for tea. Mrs Smith
& I went up to Church tonight

" 12 Crushed a ton for H.V. Young this
morn. and afternoon I went to a meeting
of Institute at Oak Lake Mr.
Murray of Brandon spoke. A nice
warm day

(48)

1908 A nice day clear & Sun
Feb 13 Shining all day. I read papers
forenoon and after went up to
W.C. took Grace & baby & stayed
about three hours. Maggie went to
her father's last night & I went to
Ryerson Church tonight but
then home.

" 14 A fine day and not very cold
Got all stables cleaned forenoon
& after crushed three loads of
grain. Melville went to S. R. Ladds
and ~~crushed~~ ~~some~~ ~~two~~ ~~heaps~~.

" 14 I went to Oak Lake afternoon
and took out piece of machine & powder
to fix a fine day

" 15 A fine day not very cold. Got
all stables cleaned forenoon & after
crushed three loads of grain. Melville
went to S. R. Ladds & had some
two heaps

(49)

1908 I went to Winnipeg last Feb 21 Monday the 14th as a representative of Agr. Society and on Tuesday & Wed. attended meetings in Agr. College, had a good time & lots of people there. Erab guaranteed with numbers but I went to see him as often as possible. Met Harold Klock in N. Sp. Came back home to day on train and out from Oak Lake with K.C. had a calf here since I left and I found things all right. Met J. McKeever, Walter Hindley, A & J Goodwin & J. Smith in N. Sp.

" 22 A lovely warm day got all stables cleaned out forenoon and after Cecil & Grace went to Oak Lake. Bob & I crushed two loads for others & then some for ourselves

(50)

1908 A very warm day and snow Feb 24 went a lot water all over and thermometer above freezing all day. After chow Bob & I cleaned wheat and got a lot done. Cecil & I went to Rippon Church tonight

" 25 A nice warm forenoon but on towards night it began to get cold, wind turned north and it got very frosty. Bob & I cleaned wheat all afternoon and got a lot done.

" 26 Wind strong from east all day and blew hard towards evening it got very cold and near night began to snow and stormed hard for some time but stopped before bed time. I took Maggie up to her mother forenoon and then went on to Oak Lake for mail. Mr. Lawrence, Evangelist here last night & today

(51)

1908 A cold raw day wind east
Feb 28 and raw. Did chores in morn.
and after cleaned wheat until noon,
afternoon Bob went to Car Lake
and got his tooth pulled, I
wrote some letters. Mrs. Smithers &
boys went to Oak River Church
tonight the last night of evangelists
Maggie still at her father's

29 It is not often that we have
a twenty morn of Feb. We got
all stables cleaned out forenoon
and after noon Melville, Cecil & I
went to Car Lake there was an
auction sale Otto Kuester selling out.
A cold raw day wind N.E.
all day and snowed a little.
Melville & Cecil went to prayer
meeting at Oak River tonight.
Maggie still at her father's

(52)

1908 A fine day I went to Car
Lake afternoon expecting letter
from W. T. Clendenning but none
came. Crushed three loads today.
3 Snowed some last night a
light feathery snow, Bob sick
today and I had all chores to
do and afternoon Grace & I went
to Griswold where I borrowed \$25
from Mrs. Hill & sent it to Carol.
Sun very hot today & snow melted
a little
4 Snowed a little today kept at it
for quite a while but very little
fell. Got all chores done forenoon
and also got in a load of hay, we
will begin to feed horses & cattle
on hay today that is the first
of the season. Bob got load of ice
afternoon. Went to prayer meeting to-
night and Maggie went home for a
few days

(53)

1908 A little snow fell today but
was very little and it was a nice day.
I went to Oak Lake forenoon & bought
some some bean & also some rye
grass seed from G. Gordon. After-
noon Bob & I crushed load for W
Sloan, J Little & then some for our
elves.

" 6 A fine day sun shone clear
but there was a breeze from
north that was cold. Crushed
load for J. W. Higginbotham in
morn. and after noon I went to Mrs
Smith's took J. Little & W^m
Sloan up to Tom Smith's auction.
Brought home Maggie from her
father at night. Grace
was with me.

(54)

1908 Blew a hurricane and summer
Mar 7 & stormed very hard all fore-
noon a very disagreeable day. After
noon did not snow but wind still
north & very cold from north.
Cleaned out all stables forenoon,
and after Cecil & I went to Oak
Lake & heard W. W. Cleland's lecture
on Good Keeping on the farm, not
many there but a good meeting
" 9 Wind south all day & cool but
not very frosty. Got all chores done
before dinner and after crushed
load for W. Gump & S. Whaley, also
20 chaps for ourselves. Attended a
beef ring meeting at Peterson School
at four got beef ring going again. I
put in second best, it begins on 1st
May & ends 2nd week in October. Had
two calves today

(55)

1908 A very fine day Sun hot
March 10 afternoon & snow went a
lot wind South West all day
but not very strong. Maggie &
went to Griswold after noon
to Sunday School Convention,
roads tough coming back &
up hill snow was all gone.

" 11 A very warm nice day, water run-
ning all over and we did not have to
use any heat to start engine. Bob
& I crushed a load for steers &
also for hogs.

" 12 Cecil & I went to Brandon to-
day to winter fair a splendid
show and a big crowd met Ric-
hard Armstrong there, and we all
had a big day. Train coming west
six hours late so we got home
very late.

(56)

1908 A coal day I slept until
Mar 13 ten o'clock today as it was so
late when we got home this morn.
Bob went to Griswold afternoon
and back home. The Holstein
bull and heifer from Mr. Brun-
ner of W. Va. had social in school
tonight & had a nice time there.

" 14 Cleaned out all stables fore
noon but did not get them
out to field until afternoon then
got a load of hay. Melville &
Cecil went to Oak Lake after-
noon. Wind east forenoon but
got west before night, thermometer
stayed below freezing all day.

" 16 A cold stormy day and wind east
some snow fell very stormy & cold
cleared up towards night. I took cow
and forenoon sold to Barthwick
1290 lbs. at 3¢ = \$38.70

(57)

1908 A cold day Sun bright
Nov 17 and had appearance of
a fine day in Sun. ~~East~~ wind
got north east towards
night and it got cold. Got
all chores done forenoon also
got pump fixed and had to
draw three barrels of water
around from north pump for
horses & cattle. Cris bed load
for J. J. Mc Ghee & W. Somps after-
noon

" 18 I went out to Grismold fore-
noon took out cream can and
brought home a barrel of gasoline.
Chores around. Maggie went up to
see her mother after noon. Snowed
for awhile after dinner big
soft flakes and about an
inch fell but it was not
cold

(58)

1908 Wind south west all day
Nov 18, ~~is hilly but not frosty~~
Chores around & crushed load
for P. Phillips also some for
ourselves today. Not very cold
but did not thaw

" 19 I took out cream can to
Grismold forenoon & brought
home a barrel of gasoline. After
noon snow came down for
awhile in big flakes about
an inch fell of soft snow
Maggie went to see her mother
Bob put affairs on wheels of manure
spreader to keep them from slipping
I cleaned wheat

" 20 Chores forenoon & went to
the Whalley Sale after. Not
cold and a big crowd there.
Thawed very little today, but
wind S.W.

(59)

1908 Got all stables cleaned out
Mar 21 at noon and after Melville
went up to Mrs Whalley for
a steer, Cecil & Maggie went to
Oak Lake. W Cowing beat load
of chop & took home load of
oats. B. Laster beat two loads
of chop & took home two loads
of oats. Fred & Andy Cairns
brought two loads of oats & chan-
ged for oats. A warm day
& snow went a lot. Water
all around. Humped Holstein
heifer calved today.

23rd Snow thawed a good lot today
and it is nearly all gone but
today was not very warm and
towards night it got very cold
as we go to bed it is near zero.
Crushed two loads afternoon &
some for ourselves

(60)

1908 Sun shone clear and bright
Mar 24 nearly all day but thermometer
was below zero in evg. and did not
get up to freezing all day. Kept cold
and wind S.W. Got cream going
forenoon and did over four tons
to-day. W Sloan here for tea tonight.
Melville Sick and did not go to
school

" 25th A cold day frosty & wind
cold from north. I went to Oak
Lake afternoon took out quarter
of beef & sold to Leonard also
sent cream can to Brandon
& beat home bean. Jean lost
coll this morn.

" 26th A cold day and did not thaw
much. Chopped forenoon & after crushed
for J. Inlue, W Cowing, & ourselves
Cold and not pleasant

(61)

1908 A cold wind from east all
Mar 27 day but then was warm
Snow melted some but wind
was cold. Maggie & I went to
Oak Lake afternoon, W.C. &
Lizzie here for awhile tonight

"28 It is a day in cold
but but & snowed a little
but melted so it felt good &
stables cleaned forenoon and
I went to Oak Lake after brooder
house a box Cream separator
and also milk - Errol is home
from Aft. College.

"30 A cold raw day a little snow
falling and a strong wind blowing
from east. Crushed after doing
chores until night. Maggie & Errol
went to her mother's afternoon.
Last heifer calved last night that
makes six calves we have in all

(62)

1908 W.C. is 46 today, Cold wind
April 1 blowing from north. Errol
went to Assiswald forenoon for
barrel gasoline & some coal, after
noon Maggie & he went to Oak
Lake. Bob & I crushed two loads
afternoon.

"2 A cold day and very little thawing
done. Errol & I cleaned wheel for
seed. Bob hejaw at noon to haul
away banking from house.

"3 A very warm day and snow went
more than any day yet and is nearly
all gone. Errol & I finished clean-
ing wheel forenoon and after we
crushed two loads for Mr. McChie
& J. S. Little. Bob hauled away
banking from house but did
not finish it. R.R. Smith but
some oats to trade for seed

(63)

1908 A lovely warm day only very
April 4 windy afternoon, blew a hur-
ricane, snow nearly all gone and
water lying around but a day
or two like today will soon
dry it up. Got all stables cleaned
out forenoon and after finished
hauling away banking from
house. Cecil & I went to Oak Lake
for bean but could not get
any. Mr. Smith here for dinner.
G. Hagen had this morn. and did
not show out until after noon.
I took nine hogs out to Oak Lake
weighed 1730 & sold at 4 1/4
cents per pound. Hitched up Dan
first time today. G. Lasher got
load hay. Crushed load for
J. Miller. W. Sloan had bats to
exchange for seed. Wind N.E. & cold

(64)

1908 Wind N.E. all day and we had
April 7 a fall of snow near night it
will likely warm the air. Errol
took drill out to Oak Lake fore-
noon & after he filled tank with
water & helped clean wheat.
Bob & I put new tongue in mangle
spreader and did some crushing.
" 8 A very fine day warm & the
first real spring day we have had
I picked potatoes in cellar all day
Errol cleaned wheat forenoon and
went to Oak Lake after noon. Bob
cleaned wheat afternoon & chored fore-
noon
" 9 A beautiful warm spring day until
near night when wind got north
& it got cold. Had some rain from four
to five. I picked potatoes all day. Bob
& Errol cleaned wheat

(65)

1908 A lovely day until about four Apr. 10 when wind got north and pretty cold, I picked potatoes in cellar all day. Bob & Carol cleaned wheat for seed & finished it. W. Borthwick & Fred Spiers here looking at cattle. Sold Borthwick the four year old heifers at \$30⁰⁰ each to be delivered in a year.

" 11 A lovely day, very windy. Cleaned all stables - four now and had manure all out and put spreader up where threshing machine is at noon. After noon men picked potatoes, had to take horse supplies to Grisevolt to get them shopped. I went to Oak Lake with train in afternoon tried to sell potatoes also our red two year old heifer & hung some. Bob & Carol did nothing. Sam

(66)

1908 A very hot day thermometers April 13 from 75 to 80 in the shade all day. Bob & Carol clipped horses all day got six done. I carried up potatoes from cellar and chopped them at noon. Maggie, baby & Mrs. Smithers went to Grandpas today.
" 14 Blew a hurricane all day could hardly ^{see} with dust from fallow wind N.W. and going to freeze hard tonight. Errol & I took out cattle to Oak Lake forenoon W.C. took us at school with his fine. Our ten steers averaged 1169 pounds all around, I also took out a year old heifer, she weighed 660 pounds & I got \$8.05 for her. Sold her and the steers at 14 1/4 cents per pound. Also took out Cow & calf to Mrs. Cook, sold at \$35⁰⁰. Bob plowed on screw today the first we have done.

(67)

1908 A very cold day wind S.W.
Apr. 15 all day & very keen, seen snow
at times but still a disagreeable
day. Ice had frozen in bay. to
plow so Bob & Carol clipped
horses forenoon, I went to Simons
for barrel of gasoline & after
noon picked potatoes & both
boys plowed on seven after noon in
harkey ground goes very badly
and plows work clean
16 did this morn. but not much
frost and man started to work
early, plowed on seven all day
but made poor headway as
plows will not clean yet. I went
to Oak Lake forenoon & sent
up \$40⁰⁰ to Mr. Potter for a cow
she is to come from Whitewood next
week. I picked potatoes afternoon

(68)

1908 A lovely day but pretty windy
Apr. 17 burned stubble west of trees and
around garden fence. I picked potatoes
in cellar. Bob & Carol plowed on seven
Melville drew off straw. Sadie here
for awhile today. Dipped here tonight
18 A fearful windy day about noon
you could hardly see with dust
flying but about four it got better
and was a nice evening. Seen May her
all day. Bob & Carol plowed on
seven all day ground getting very
dry. Mrs. Smith, Grace & I went
to Oak Lake at noon & she took
the 1:30 train for home at Wa-
pella and we have no help
in home now
20 A nice hot day but very windy
from east. Carol & Bob plowed
on seven all day. Melville did some har-
rowing there afternoon

(69)

1908 Very windy from N. Bob harrowed
Apr. 21 on Seven all day finished plowing
they barely ground there at two o'clock
& Corral plowed in forty acres near W.R.
McNulle & I drew straw to seven and
burned stubble

" 22 Very windy from east all day
and towards evening it got pretty
cold we had a few drops
of rain today. McNulle went to
Mr Cloans last night and got
home again at noon today, he
went to Oak Lake afternoon on
bike. Cecil finished harrowing
all the spring plowing. Bob
seeded on Seven and got 15 acres
done the first we have seeded
this year. Corral disked on
Seven afternoon. I burned stubble
on Seven afternoon it was too
cold to burn real well

(70)

1908 A windy day blew from east
Apr 23 all day. Bob drilled on seven all
day and Corral disked I went to Oak
Lake afternoon & back home a cow that
came from Mrs Cotton of Montgomery
Sask. I also brought home our cream
cow.

" 24 Raining when we got up and
kept at it nearly all day only a
few stops we had, it will do
a lot of good, we got a lot of
wheat treated for smut forenoon
& then tried to run engine to crush
but gears would not work
& I broke one trying to get them to go
so had to go to Oak Lake & telegraph
to W.P.J. for another. Bob & Corral
tried drilling in afternoon but it
was too wet. Grace went to G.
Harrison afternoon to a field party

(73)

1908 A nice day Errol finished
May 2 discing old fallow on Seven
at noon then got Mr. Hulme
Cultivator & wanted to run it
over fallow. Bob seeded on
stubble all day. Errol drew
McLille drew off some straw
" 4 Maggie's father married
51 years today. Cool all day
but pleasant. Errol ran
Cultivator on Seven and
Bob seeded we have 98
acres in row. D. G. Smith here
for dinner Maggie took him
to Oak Lake after & he went
to Brandon

" 5 A lovely warm day. Errol finished
with cultivator at noon & took it home
to Mr. Hulme after he plowed on fire. Bob
finished seeding on Seven at four o'clock &

(74)

1908 Then harrowed after, we have all
Seven seeded now 110 acres and are har-
rowing it across now. I went to Grinnell
forenoon & got cheque for my car of
wheat had it transferred to Oak
Lake, I had to go to Oak Lake in
evening for repair for plow.
May 6 A very hot day and no breeze
with white. Errol plowed in
noon and ran packer after. Bob
harrowed on Seven all day. School
around here a bad boil and can't
do much. Mrs. Dickson & Miss
Patrick here for tea

" 7 A hot day and grass is getting
good green. I went to Oak Lake
forenoon and after chred around &
got chred moved into hen house
Errol plowed on for forty all day
& Bob harrowed on Seven

(75)

1908 A lovely hot day. Errol plowed
May 8 on for forty all day, Bob
finished harrowing on seven at ten
o'clock then packed on for forty
until noon after dinner he drilled
in wheat there. I went to Wm
Johnston & Alex Goodwin after
noon seeing about water list, had
my supper at Mr Smiths on
way home

"9 A lovely warm day Chord forenoon
died after Grace, Minnie & I went
to Oak Lake, took out our hide and
sold at 3¢ per lb. Errol & Bob
worked in for forty all day, packing
drilling & plowing.

"10 A dull day and rained all day but
not very heavy only at times Bob
& Errol plowed in for forty & finished
the whole field. I chred ground &
ran crumher for awhile.

(76)

1908, A dull cold day Errol plowed
May 12 on forty acres nearest W.R.

Bob ~~plowed~~ packed these all
day it was cold & dull I went
to Oak Lake

"12 Rained nearly all day some,
but not heavily only at times we
caught a lot of soft water
Errol & Bob plowed on for forty
all day & finished it

"13 A dull day but did not rain
any & there was a breeze & ground
dried some. Dags plowed all day
south of house in 45 acre field
and got a good patch done.
I did some pruning at raspberries
in garden

"14 Errol packed & hauled in for forty
all day & Bob finished drilling in the
wheat there. I went to Oak Lake and
brought home some straw & pt plow points sharp
ed

(77)

1908 A lovely day very hot
May 15th till ten & close, I sowed
timothy & rye grass seed all
day in fur forty. Enrol plowed
south of house Bob harrowed
in fur forty & packed south
of house. I. R. Ladd's man
Came & sheared sheep tonight.
Our big white sow had
14 pigs this morn. two of them
dead

" 16th A lovely warm day the hottest
we have had I sowed timothy & rye
grass seed on fur forty all day
Bob packed south of house forenoon
and plowed after. Enrol plowed
there all day

" 18 A very windy day, had very heavy
rain yesterday & we did nothing on land
forenoon but after lay, plowed south
of house too windy to sow grass seed until
near night

(78)

1908 A cool disagreeable day a little
May 19th rain fell in morn. and we had
very little sun shine all day and
wind was cold from N.E. I fin-
ished sowing grass seed at four
o'clock Bob packed & drilled in
wheat south of house all day
Enrol plowed south of house
until four o'clock & then harrowed
on fur forty.

" 20 A fine day and rained nearly
all day between a shower and a
rain. Enrol harrowed fur forty
until noon. Bob drilled packed
south of house at noon it
began to rain & soon harder
and they did not hitch up
afternoon but ground up.
Drove up to Oak Lake for mail
afternoon. Blowing a hurricane
as we go to bed

(79)

1908 Days plowed until noon
May 31 wind blew a hurricane
until then and very cold
wind not so bad afternoon
and towards night got
warmer. Rained all afternoon
and teams stayed in stable.

Mr. Ambrose here for noon

" 22 Very windy from west all day
but some where clear with sun
a good drying day. Days down in
load of hay tomorrow & then
to a lane of day plowed for
wheat. I cut down asparagus
the mill stayed at home &
mended up trees. Maggie, Grace
& Alie went to Aunt Mary's
for butter

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