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1912 Carroll & I clipped some  
Apr 4<sup>th</sup> horses today but clipper  
played out & I went to Oak Lake  
forenoon & got them shopped  
we then clipped three horses  
when they got dull again, so  
Carroll took them out near evening  
and waited for 4.20 train from  
east & took them home  
he is up for Easter holidays.  
Alf. & I cleaned some seed oats  
after he had finished the  
barley.

5 Good Friday today Carroll  
brought home two new plates last night  
for clipper and we used them  
today clipped four of our own  
horses and finished one for  
Mr. Claine he & his wife for  
dinner tea. Finished cleaning  
oats & moved barrel in to wheat

(2)

1912 Finished clipping horses  
Apr 6 today & got two loads of  
oat & barley home. Went to  
Oak Lake afternoon took out  
the small engine and left it  
at Storaj's to be fixed, took  
home some of the new drill.  
Roads bad but weather warm.  
"8 all very nice forenoon but  
got very windy afternoon  
and ground drifted sometimes  
could hardly see. Melville  
& Alf. crushed. Carroll ran  
Cultivator on Seven, the first  
we have done at farin. I took  
out a big dog sold her to  
W. Borthwick & he weighed 600  
and brought me \$39.00 I had  
dinner in Oak Lake & brought  
home the new press drill  
tonight

(3)

1912 A nice warm day here  
Apr. 9 wind starting blowing very  
hard about 10:30 and kept it  
up until about 2:30 when it  
went down and we had it fair  
again. Alf & I went to Seven in  
truck to pick off the pieces that  
Harold stumped, he put in the  
whole day at it and got off a  
lot of loads. I burnt some  
straw, on Seven and in after  
how did very little. Melville went  
to Oak Lake forenoon & back home  
on little engine in express, he  
also boat home Alex Butter with  
him he reached Oak Lake from  
Iceland last night. Gaffie &  
I went to social in hall at  
Oak Lake tonight. Errol ran  
scrubber on Seven all day

(4)

1912 A <sup>th</sup> fear full windy day from  
Apr 10 <sup>th</sup> east a regular blizzard  
and air was full of ground  
all the time at times could not  
see fifty yards. I took Dan  
out to Gisselfeld and he was two-  
wed over to man that bought  
him. W. R. came up with me and  
boat his traps also. Errol  
& Melville went to Oak Lake  
afternoon and got mail.  
Errol ran scrubber on Seven  
in forenoon. Alf was picking  
roots from breaking.

(5)

1912 A fine day Errol ran scuffer Apr. 10 on Seven all day. Alf & I picked roots until noon then in afternoon took up disc & ran it over the prairie twice then harrowed it twice again and got even they picked off it. Melville cleared a beat at home  
" 11 A fearful windy day from east a regular blizzard and air was full of snow and drifting all day at times could hardly see fifty yards. W. R. & I went to Griswold forenoon took out his team and our Dan horse. Errol and Melville went to Oak Lake afternoon and got mail. Errol ran scuffer until noon. Alf picked roots from breaking on fine forenoon A. Stewart & two men were putting up drill buck some pieces missing and they did not finish

(6)

1912 Blew hard all day again to Apr. 12 day and found drifts I don't know where some of our fallows will be. Got three loads crushed today, and Alf went up for his box. J. J. Smith came down today & took Annie Faulkner to his place.  
Wind H. C. & very cold

" 13 Stormed snow & rain all day Alf & I picked up potatoes in cellar, he finished them afternoon and I went to Oak Lake took Melville out and he has gone to Brandon again to school. A miserable kind of day and cold.

" 15 Snowed & stormed all day yesterday and more snow in our yard now than at any time all winter. B. Smith here for a beat today. Cleared bailey & a stem and built a sled setting up drill

(7)

1912 A fine day and snow went  
Apr 16 some, Alf & I cleaned barley  
Errol took up some wheat &  
a side board to B Smithers.  
He caught some barley oats  
for Reuben today.

" 17 Threshed some more today  
but still there is a lot of snow.  
Got oat granary moved to  
west end of old granary to-  
day and began to put seed  
oats into it. Grace & I went  
to Oak Lake after noon, roads  
about as bad as they were  
any time this spring.

" 18 A fine day again. Piled some wood  
today. I had to go to Oak Lake  
after noon as little engine was  
broken and took it to J. Stacey  
to be fixed

(8)

1912 A lovely warm day off  
Apr 18 piled wood nearly all  
day. I began to smoke the  
meat today. Errol went to  
Oak Lake forenoon & boat.  
Some pieces of engine I broke  
yesterday. Finished cleaning  
seed oats today & got little  
engine set up at pump  
" 20 A fine day but a cool  
wind from N.W. Alf & I picked  
roots from breaking forenoon  
Errol tried running disc harrow  
it was too wet and disc blades  
would not turn, he took  
the drill out to A. Stewart  
and boat home B Smithers  
plow afternoon. Maggie & I  
went out to Oak Lake afternoon  
roads still pretty bad

(9)

1912 A fine warm day Errol  
Apr 22 got plow going east of house  
and finished a land that was  
lost from last fall and in  
afternoon he packed. Alf  
picked roots all day. I chores  
around & sawed and after  
went to Griswold & got a  
set of hammers.

" 23 A fine day Alf shoveling  
All day but there was a  
Keen wind & it was cool.  
Errol packed until noon  
then seeded after east of  
house that is first wheat  
seeding we have done. Alf  
picked roots until four  
o'clock and then he disced.  
I went to Oak Lake after  
noon.

(10)

1912 Errol silled wheat east  
of house all day the  
sill works well and he got  
along well. Alf disced  
all day. I did chores got  
harrows home and packed  
some

" 25 Errol silled all day  
rainy and Alf disced  
I packed. A fine day  
cool.

" 26 Errol finished seeding  
wheat east of house  
at four o'clock and  
meant to piece of breaking  
near school. Alf hammed  
that piece forever and  
picked roots after. I  
packed in eighty acres  
east of house <sup>gum trees</sup> all day.  
Very hot at times and very cool

(11)

1912 Alf. harrowed the bready  
Apr. 25 forenoon and finished it  
& packed roots off afternoon  
Errol finished seeding east  
of house at four o'clock  
and then helped at 6 o'clock near  
School. I packed east of  
house and am trying to get  
the east end of it done  
where I will park plow.  
Very hot at times and  
very cool at other times  
"26 A cold day, Errol seeded  
on 6 o'clock near School and  
finished it forenoon and  
then went to Seven and began  
seeding there. Alf picked roots  
off 6 o'clock all day. I sat in  
house forenoon and packed  
plow ground after noon.  
Clouds & sun shone brights after  
noon, but very cold before

(12)

1912 Very cold & ground hard  
Apr 27 plowed this morn. we could  
not seed. It was very windy  
I went to J. S. Little this  
morn. Then home by 6 pm  
Gumpf's & Mr. Brunner I  
bought 56 bushels of wheat  
from Mr. Brunner at \$1.00  
per bushel. Went to Oak  
Lake afternoon. Alf finished  
plowing some east of school  
then in afternoon he & Errol  
placed for oats where plow  
was clean year. We had  
a good snow storm from  
then until twelve then it  
cleared off and about fine  
it started to rain & rained  
for an hour a good shower.  
A. S. Stewart & went here to-  
day

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1912 A very cold day wind a  
Apr. 29 hurricane from S.E. air  
full of dust Errol was seeding  
on Seven and had to stop as  
it was so dusty he could not  
see where to drive. I finished  
packing doves near Hillies then  
went to where flax was last  
year & packed & plowed there  
for oats. Alf harrowed piece  
of sod near school forenoon  
and harrowed wheat across  
east of house. We will surely  
get snow or rain out of this  
wind.

" 30 A dull day and very damp  
rained very heavy forenoon for a  
couple of hours, men cleaned  
loft and passage in stable. After  
snow Errol & Alf. Plowed for oats  
and I went to Oak Lake roads very

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1912 Very hot at times today  
May 1<sup>st</sup> close & hard on horses.  
But towards evening it got  
quite cool. Boys plowed for  
oats all forenoon for oats  
and in afternoon. I plowed  
Alf harrowed where we intend  
sowing flax and Errol  
dilled on Seven as wheat.  
Maggie went to Oak Lake  
afternoon to a meeting of  
the Directors of the Home  
Economics.

" 2 Rained pretty hard until ten  
o'clock and so wet that teams  
did nothing all day. Walter and  
me to Braden afternoon & came  
home on 10:30 train he was getting  
teeth fixed. Errol beat wheat  
from Pommers. Alf can rasp-  
berries comes in Jordan

(15)

1912 Alf. & I plowed all day  
May 3 for oats and got along well  
only it is so damp that every  
thing gathers on plows. Errol  
dusted on Seven as he had  
Kehlville coming up, Tony had few  
Brands & Errol were out  
to meet him. Toney place  
muddy

" 4 Rained nearly all day today  
Alf. and I started to plow  
in May, but only kept at it  
about an hour. Errol went  
over to Seven and sowed for  
awhile but it was so muddy  
he had to stop. Errol & Kehlville  
went to Oak Lake afterward  
everything wet & muddy, I wish  
it would dry up for awhile  
and then fine no rain in  
June

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1912 A cold miserable kind of  
May 6 a day. Cracked three loads  
chop forenoon then in afternoon  
Errol & Alf. plowed for oats  
Seven to Oak Lake & took Keh-  
ville out to catch train for  
Brandon. Roads a terror with  
mud.

" 7 Errol went to Seven to seed  
today and did some high  
places. Alf & I plowed for  
oats forenoon and after he  
was alone as I was in bed  
with boils. Had a heavy  
shower about five o'clock

" 8 Seven to Oak Lake forenoon  
and stayed in bed afternoon  
Errol plowed on Seven & Alf fin-  
ished plowing for oats with  
gang and then was finishing up  
with walking plow

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1912 Errol Seeded wheat  
May 9 at Seven all day Alf.  
finished plowing around  
fences with walking plow  
and then began to harrow  
down near Kildonan. I packed  
forenoon & was laid up with  
boils after.

• 10 A very cold wind from  
north at times but when  
Saw shore it was warm  
enough. We put Horne's  
on some oats for seeding this  
morning. I finished packing  
oat ground at noon Alf.  
finished harrowing near Kildonan  
at noon. Afternoon Alf. & I went  
to Seven and plowed afternoon.  
Errol cultivated piece east  
of house & sowed it with wheat  
that finishes our cultiva-

(18)

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May 11 now and then it got pretty  
cold at times we had a few very  
big blows of wind also a few  
showers of rain. Errol & Alf  
hauled a stack of oats into loft  
to say then the latter planted some  
trees. John Little helped me and  
we plowed on Seven all day  
got a lot done.

13 Saw shore bright all  
day but wind was very cold  
from north. Had white frost  
when we got up this morn. I  
went to Oak Lake forenoon & brought  
home three half barrels of oil,  
afternoon I cleaned packed  
on Seven. Alf. plowed some sloughs  
in oats then came to Seven. Errol  
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seeded oats all day

(19)

1912 Alf and I plowed and  
May 14 sowed all day on Seven  
Seven. Sowed oats all day  
on last year's play ground.  
" 14 Very windy all day  
and dust blew all day  
air full of it. I plowed  
on Seven all day. Alf  
helped me. Miss Rankin  
out to Oak Lake and got  
I went to plow at four o'  
clock. Carroll seeded oats  
" 15 Carroll finished seeding  
oats at three o'clock then  
sowed some sloughs with  
wheat on Seven and made  
a start sowing barley, a  
fine cool day and we got  
a lot done

(20)

1912 A fine cool forenoon and  
May 16 we got along well but  
afternoon was very close & hot  
but a breath of air. Carroll  
seeded barley forenoon and  
harrowed last ground after  
Alf & I plowed on Seven all  
day took our dinner over there  
Maggie went to Oak Lake  
afternoon. Thunder & lightning  
around tonight and a little  
rain fell.

" 17 A very cold forenoon, we  
picked all our barley  
this morn. Then gone Seven  
the hundred bushels of oats  
I sold him. He then went to  
Seven I packed until noon,  
Alf plowed & Carroll drilled  
in barley, it rained at noon  
& we came home, Carroll went to Oak

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1912 Alf & I plowed on Seven  
May 18 all day & Errol drilled in  
barley we got along well and  
got a lot done. Had dinner over  
there. Maggie Ralph went to  
Oak Lake after noon, Maggie came  
back with W. R. in Auto and  
Ralph brought Grandpa out  
he came down from Grapella  
today. A fine cool day.

" 20 A very cold day, windly from  
North Bear & have some bush  
it was very cold. I packed  
plowed on Seven all day. Errol  
went & plowed for H. G. Young  
today. Alf. harvested oat  
ground & also piece of  
wheat, east of house.  
Maggie's father also many  
visitors here this afternoon

(22)

1912 A fine day We all worked  
May 20 on Seven all day. Errol  
finished seeding barley we have  
472 acres in there now and some  
more ready for oats

" 21 I packed & plowed on Seven  
all day had my dinner there  
Alf. harvested oats & the last  
piece of wheat we sown.

Errol plowed on ~~Seven~~ for his  
young all day. Very cold all  
day & I wore my mitts. but Smith  
" Young & Voiles here today

" 22 Rained all day not very  
heavy but a lot fell. Alf  
& Errol picked potatoes in  
cellar. Went to Oak Lake  
after noon to attend quarterly  
board, Reuben Caine with me  
water very high.

(23)

1912 Errol plowed all day  
May 23 on Seven. Alf & I picked  
potatoes & took over some to  
J Carpenter, he also took some  
oats out to his claim in fore-  
noon. Spent to Oak Lake in  
evening for Melville as he came  
up from Brandon. Wrote &  
dry ball day

" 24 Scut seed potatoes fore-  
noon after plowed on Seven.  
Melville plowed on Seven forenoon  
& after went to Oak Lake to  
meet a friend of his. Alf  
Chored around forenoon and  
after took a load of  
potatoes out for Churner  
Errol drilled on Seven until  
4.30 and then went out to  
Oak Lake to see base ball  
match.

(24)

1912 A very hot day the first  
May 25 really good growing day  
we have had. Alf & I fin-  
ished cutting our seed potatoes  
at noon. And after he Mel-  
ville got a few bags crushed  
when engine went wrong and  
could not get it going again. Got  
a few mosquito nets on and  
two screen doors hung. Melville  
finished plowing on Seven at noon  
& brought home plow. Errol  
seeded oats & packed there all day  
and finished the piece all  
our oats & barley are done now  
Melville & J. Grantham gone  
back to Brandon tonight, Errol  
took them to Oak Lake. Higbie  
Kunell, twins & all at Oak  
Lake afternoon. I was attending  
a directors meeting there

(25)

1912 Rained nearly all day. In  
May 27 afternoon Sarah went to  
Oak Lake & took out 13½ bush-  
els potatoes to J. Lamond.  
Alf. & I plowed in eighty acres  
for flax a very strong wind  
afternoon at times a regular  
gale and at 5.30 we had a  
big shower of rain

" 28 Sarah, Alf. & I planted potatoes  
all day & got in an acre, seven  
rows half a mile long. a very  
fine day wind east all day  
but <sup>Sept.</sup> Clare here last night

" 29 A lovely warm day. Sarah  
went to Oak Lake in morn. & then  
on to J. Camerons, did not get  
back until near night. Sowed  
for flax all day. Alf. hauled  
straw from near hills, & then plowed.  
B Smith here today to

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1912 Sarah got her horses dice  
May 30 and worked at cow ground  
and flax ground. Alf plowed  
where straw pile was and  
then started with gang into where  
cows were last year. Sowed  
there all day. A fine day but  
at times. Rained some last  
night.

" 31 Sarah took load wheel to Oak  
Lake and got tools for dice fixed  
Alf. & I plowed flax ground un-  
til noon then she harrowed  
and I packed up. Sarah worked  
dice again in cow ground  
after she got going at four  
o'clock. Blew a hurricane forenoon  
and cold enough for snow. After  
noon a lot warmer and near  
Syracuse had a shower of rain.  
After supper it rained a lot

(27)

1912 A fine day Alf & I plowed  
June 1<sup>st</sup> forenoon for flax and  
after I went to Oak Lake to  
attend meeting of Directors of  
Agr. Society. Errol raw disc  
half day. J. S. Little, may & vines  
here for tea also Almas. A  
lovely day and rain proving very  
foul

" 3 Father was 39 years dead  
yesterday and brother Tom is  
55 years old yesterday. Blowing  
at hurricane all day and  
very cold, I had on Cap with  
& heavy coat & was none too  
warm. Errol & I disced flax  
ground and Alf. plowed for  
corn. Grace Errol went to  
Oak Lake as Seed Special  
was there. Had a few small  
showers of rain today

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1912 A fine day sun shone strong  
June 4<sup>th</sup> nearly all day but it was cold  
wind blew strong from north. Errol  
and I disced flax ground until  
noon then he took his horses  
disc home and afternoon I  
finished discing & began to  
cultivate. Errol began to sow  
flax at noon. Alf. plowed for corn  
all day. I sold two calves to Lamm  
have to take them out tomorrow, her  
Salter here collecting for Bible  
house in Wpg. I put down 70<sup>00</sup>  
for 1<sup>st</sup> brn 1913 & 70<sup>00</sup> for 1<sup>st</sup> brn 1914

" 5 Errol drilled flax all day.  
Alf. raw cultivator. I went to  
Oak Lake in mng. and did not  
get back until four o'clock  
but a six horse gasoline engine  
with me and a man from Stoen  
Co to start it. Cool all day

(29)

1912 A lovely warm day. I ran  
June 6 Cultivator on flax land  
near miles all day. Alf har-  
rowed and Carroll drilled. I hied  
a bay in Oak Lake yesterday and  
he put in fence posts. Very hot  
at times and very little wind.  
Ladies Aid at Mrs Kennedy's  
Maggie was there.

" 7 very hot at times today and  
hardly a breath of air dust  
in field would hang around  
the house you could hardly  
see where to go. Carroll drilled  
in flax all day. Alf harrowed  
& plowed & I ran Cultivator  
and packed. Mr Shantz here  
tonight from Wallerton.

(30)

1912 A fearful windy day  
June 8 I packed until noon  
Carroll finished Sowing 70 acres  
of flax about noon and then  
seeded corn after. Alf did  
plowing all day. Albert the  
new man finished putting  
in posts in pasture & hoed  
in garden. Went to Oak  
Lake afternoon & brought  
home Melville as he came up  
from Brandon.  
10th Very cool and windy until about  
two o'clock in afternoon when it  
was a good deal warmer until  
night. I packed flax until noon  
then plowed for flax after. Alf  
plowed all day. Carroll sown some  
corn then packed & harrowed balance  
of day. Melville went to Oak Lake  
forenoon for bran, and at eleven  
over

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Haggie took him to Grinnell where he went to Brandon again. I went to Kuehne's to-night Haggie came with me as far as J. S. Littles.

Albert had in garden all day

June 11 A hot day one of the hottest we have had. Errol packed harrows & seeded corn all day & finished the corn. Alf & I plowed each with five horses. Grace went to Owl Lake today got mail. Ground very dry now and we could stand a big rain. P. J. Merrick here tonight and paid us for oats \$32.00. Errol took May over to Wallace house at Carpenter's tonight

(32)

1912 A hot day although we June 12 had a good wind from east but near night it got cool. Errol harrowed packed & drilled in flat all day. Alf & I plowed ground very dry & hard and turning up in chunks

" 13 Wind strong from east all day and forenoon it was hasty & we had some rain but not enough to do any good. Alf & I only plowed one round forenoon & after we finished the field. Errol harrowed & packed all day but got no seeding done. J. S. Little here for tea. Mr. Hill, his father and some girls came over tonight in auto

(33)

1912 Alf & I plowed all day  
June 14 and finished flax  
ground. Errol seeded  
peas and harvested

" 15 I sown a slough with  
oats forenoon and Alf  
plowed it. Errol seeded  
flax all day and finished  
it. Afternoon Alf packed  
& harvested flax ground, he  
also harvested the slough  
I had sown with oats.  
I went to a meeting in Oak  
Lake of Directors of Agr.  
Society & did not get home  
until near eight

" 17<sup>th</sup> Alf & Errol on roads today  
I went to Oak Lake afternoon  
to hear Kennedy of Minn S.  
was speaking there

(34)

1912 A very hot day. I took four  
June 18 bushels of flax and to  
J. Carter forenoon and when  
I got there he did not want it  
so had to bring it home. Errol  
worked on roads all day and  
finished the job for this  
year. Alf cultivated among  
maple trees, also took W.C.s.  
home. I pulled some  
stink weed afternoon.

" 19 A very hot day & no wind  
Errol got plowing forenoon at  
alfalfa ground with his  
horses until noon and after he  
& I got started with engine for  
Oak Lake but left it because hard  
as it began to rain, but we right  
here gone on as it only fell a few  
drops, Errol went out in express  
and took out six bushels of flax over

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1912 for her Poland sold at  
 $\frac{7}{2}^{<sup>00</sup>}_{00}$  per bushel he also  
got Ray shod. Alf worked  
at putting in fence posts.  
Maggie & I went to garden  
party at Mrs. Higginbotham's  
tonight. A heavy rain went  
on all of us and they had  
lots at Griswold & Alexander.

June 20 A very hot day Errol & I  
took engine out to Oak Lake  
forenoon to J. Story to be repaired  
after noon Grace & he went to  
picnic at Leavenworth. And I  
wrote for Agr. Society. Alf. put  
in fence posts forenoon & plowed  
after. Very hot & dry & no sign  
of rain.

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1912 A very hot day with a breeze  
June 21<sup>st</sup> from south but keeps very  
dry and crop suffering. Maggie &  
Baby went to Wakella on 1.30 train  
Melville got home from Brandon on  
Same train, and a man came up  
from Brandon on same train  
he is to stay until freeze up with us  
at  $\frac{4}{4}^{<sup>00</sup>}_{00}$  per hr. Alf & I fixed fence  
forenoon and I went to Oak Lake  
after. Errol plowed east of stable  
all day.

"22 A fearful hot day but there  
was a breeze from S.W. Ruby  
plowed east of stable all day  
Errol oiled horses. Melville crushed.  
Alf. & I stretched wire in pasture  
around wheat and got it all  
done but the gate. Very dry  
and crops roasting

(37)

1912 A fearful hot day I heard  
June 24 it was 98 in shade yesterday  
but today is hotter I think.  
After noon some clouds came  
up and we had a lot of thunder  
lightning but not one drop of  
rain although they seemed to  
be falling any amount south  
of Lisswold. Weather did not  
get any cooler until after  
Sun went down. Went to  
Oak Lake forenoon & got  
barrels of gasoline. Afternoon  
I sat in house and wrote  
for Agri. Society. Carroll worked  
on harness all day. Melville  
fixed stable floor & man-  
gers all day. Alf. put harness  
on fence & helped Carroll on  
harness. Keenman plowed until  
noon & then I gave him his money  
& he left, too bad for horses afternoon

(38)

1912 A hot day but not so  
June 25 warm as it has been for  
a few days. Carroll finished  
plowing piece east of stable then  
harrowed the piece both ways.  
Alf. opened our ridge for breeding  
forenoon & he & Melville fenced  
after, Melville where stretching  
new wire forenoon then he  
helped Alf after. Drove to  
Oak Lake afternoon & brought  
Keppie & Kurel home they have  
been at Wapella. Mrs Smith  
here tonight. A big rain yes-  
terday south of Oak Lake  
but we got none given writing.  
Turned cattle & horses on to  
pasture west of house today  
for first time.

(39x)

1912 A fearful hot day. I  
June 26<sup>th</sup> went to Oak Lake in  
morn. to get some slats for  
fence and did not get  
back until five o'clock.

Alf. and Melville drew in  
oak shaves all day & still  
have a load to bring to finish  
stack. Errol ~~had~~ plowed  
plowed in Alfalfa all day  
very hard work nearly impossible  
to plow. We all went to W.R.  
tonight to a garden party there  
and had a good time.

" 27 Mr. Young came for separator  
this morn. and Errol is up there  
threshing flax. Melville was plowing  
Alfalfa all day, it is a mighty  
tough job. Alf. was chores around.  
Maggie & I went to picnic in Oak Lake  
afternoon. Fearful hot day

(40)

1912 A fearful hot day, at  
June 28 times not a breath of air  
and very close I don't know  
what we will do if this keeps  
up much longer it is almost  
unbearable and crops are  
withering. There was some thunder  
today and cloudy towards  
South last no rain. Errol  
at Youngs Threshing. Melville  
Grace went to Brandon in  
motor with W.R. Alf. plowed  
some Alfalfa forenoon and  
harvested corn & potatoes after.  
I was cutting thistles forenoon  
and went to Oak Lake to  
get mower fixed after.

(41)

1912 Another fearful hot day  
June 29 and I stayed in house  
nearly all day writing. Errol  
at his youngs threshing out  
and did not finish. Melville  
was cutting Alfalfa & Bromo  
grass. Alf. finished plowing  
Alfalfa ground & opened up  
some lands in pasture. Lots  
of clouds & signs of rain but  
none falls.

July 1st A fearful hot day  
and I sat in house. Boys  
and Alf all went to celebration  
in Oak Lake. Still no rain.  
2 Went to Oak Lake forenoon  
Errol still at H.V. Youngs threshing  
and finished threshing there tonight  
got some hay in today also cut  
some on Seven & finished  
Alfalfa

(42)

1912 A fine day and not too cold  
July 3 Finished putting in all hay  
that was cut. Errol went over to  
break Alf. opened out furrows and  
Melville crushed. Errol & I went to  
Griswold this day & took train to  
Brandon to a picnic at Experimental  
Farm. Cloudy & pleasant  
but still no rain. We got home  
at ten o'clock

4 A very cool day. Errol was  
breaking up pasture all day  
had five horses forenoon &  
six after, ground very hard  
& dry and it is as much as  
the six horses can do. Maggie  
went to Oak Lake at eleven got  
home in evening. Melville went out  
afternoon and took crusher it  
got it fixed. Alf. mowed hay  
I was cutting thistles in oats

(43)

1912 Went to Oak Hillside  
July 5 forenoon with Mr. Young  
got hay at noon and  
afternoon we got a good  
rain for an hour the  
first for a month. Errol  
Hilliard calf. got in all the  
hay that was fit then  
Kernab plowed until rain got  
too heavy. Alf. was fed horses  
afternoon

6 A fine cool day Hilliard  
& Alf. fixed fence forenoon  
and afternoon Hilliard got  
W.C. & corn his & got it going  
but only got very little done.  
Alf. raked all the hay after  
noon. Kernab plowed all day.  
Went to Oak Lake after  
noon took hill got home  
7.30

(44)

1912 A fine cool day and we  
July 8 had a slight shower fore-  
noon but just above enough  
to lay the dust. Errol broke fore-  
noon. Hilliard finished sowing  
harness. Alf. took corn out to  
Oak Lake. I was putting out  
poison for fox holes all day.  
Afternoon, Errol, Hilliard, H.R.  
Young & L. Kearns went to see Mr.  
C. Ford's plow work. Alf. cut  
hay & hoed in garden.

9 A fine cool day I had  
thistles in field forenoon then  
after hilliard & I went to Oak Lake  
Hilliard ran scuffle in corn fore-  
noon taken she & Alf. got in hay after  
Errol broke all day. Wind Coal  
from west. We had no rain  
and ground still & dry.

(45)

1912 A fine crab day. Well  
July 10 Bill ran scuffle in  
corn field awhile and then  
he & Alf. hauled in hay.  
got it all in from corn. I  
had to send for another  
sape for hay fork. Icub  
tended it in pasture all day.  
Grace & Ralph went to Oak  
Lake afternoon. Lots of thunder  
& lightning around tonight  
"11 A very hot day at times  
also close and no breeze, but  
in evening we had a lot of  
thunder lightning and a good  
shower of rain. Errol broke  
all day. Melville ran scuffle  
in corn until noon then he &  
Alf. got in hay. Icub in pasture  
Maggie went to Ladies Aid

(46)

1912 Raining for two hours  
July 12 This morn. and a lot has  
fallen between last night  
and this morn. Errol began to break  
at 9.30. I went to Oak Lake  
for horse shod. Alf. finished  
up fence with mallow plow.  
Melville shaped Kaine then  
went to Oak Lake to play ball.  
"13 A fine day but very hot at  
times. Icub hay forenoon and went  
to Oak Lake after where we had  
a meeting of Agr. Society. Alf. raked  
hay afternoon. Errol plowed sod  
all day. Melville ran scuffle in  
corn.  
"14 Icub hay forenoon & ground  
Kaine after. Errol plowed all day  
Alf. mowed some & raked some. W. Cowing  
here today. Melville began digging east  
of stable. Lots of thunder & lightning to  
night very like rain.

(147)

1912 A fine day went to Oak Lake  
July 16 forenoon and in afternoon  
went to Seven seas thistles & weeds  
there. Ezra finished all he could  
do at breaking with gang at noon  
and after he disc'd east of stable.  
Melville chores around also took  
home Kennedy's Cultivator &  
W.C. crusher. Alf. worked at  
Sod with walking plow all  
day. Carl & fresh. H.V. Jacay & I  
at P.J. Kuecks tonigh to audit  
Schand books.

\* 17 Very Cool all day. I put out  
some gopher poison on Seven  
seas finished cutting hay  
& also raked some. Ezra saw  
disc forenoon & went to Oak Lake  
after. Alf & Melville got in  
three loads of hay.

(148)

1912 A very cool forenoon  
July 18 heat I holler after I raked  
hay in pasture all forenoon and  
after Ralph & I went to Oak Lake  
I brought home the crusher and  
also a new disc. Alf, Ezra  
& Melville hauled in hay all  
day, got loft full and then  
stacked a stack. Maggie, Grace  
& Karel went to Grinnell  
afternoon.

" 19 A fine day but got pretty hot  
after noon. I finished raking hay  
forenoon and after put some Paris  
Greens on potatoes & helped haul  
in hay. Karel all hauled had and  
got it all in less about three  
loads. Melville went to base ball  
at Oak Lake tonigh. Dr. Blanchard  
came today & cut lump out of  
Maggie's head.

(49)

1912 A fine forenoon Sun it came July 20th raining after noon not very heavy but we got quite a few good showers. I put on Paris Green forenoon and after noon until it rained I hoed in potato Boys got in three loads of hay and that finished it. Afternoon Errol went to Oak Lake for mail. Mrs. Gacing nee Kelly Granger from Belford here all day

" 21 A dull day until noon then sun came out and it was very hot in afternoon. Very little rain all forenoon. We had a small shower at six o'clock. Alf & I hoed potatoes forenoon and I put on Paris Green after. Melville & Alf finished potatoes & began at noon Errol disced Alfalfa all day

(50)

1912 A very heavy rain this July 23<sup>rd</sup> morn. And a strong wind from east more rain fell than at any time this spring. I took Errol to Grinnell at ten and he went to Brandon Fair. Afternoon I pulled out thistles & put out some jopher poison. Melville & Alf got out some manure in spreader. A fine afternoon wind west. " 24 A fine day and not too hot. Melville went to Grinnell this morn. and then on to Brandon Fair. He & Errol came home to night. I went to Oak Lake for mail and put up hills for fair tennis court along. Alf cultivated trees and then hoed corn, I also hoed in corn afternoon.

(51)

1912 A fine day Alf. Melville & I July 25 hoed in Corn all day and in evening started to Oak Lake and met Alex McChab & wife who are here on a visit. Carroll dined in flat all day. Rained tonight "26 Maggie, McChab & I went to J. Goodwin's this afternoon met all the Goodwin faction there and had a pleasant time. Melville harvested flat forenoon and hoed afternoon Corn, Alf. hoed all day. Carroll ran deer in flat ground. Very hot & dry all day lots of thunder & lightning south & we got a little rain here

"27 I hoed corn forenoon and afternoon to Oak Lake stayed afternoon & gave entries for show game out 140 entries over

(52)

1912 Carroll dined flat all day Melville harvested until noon and then hoed in Corn, Alf hoed Corn all day. A big thunder storm and hail storm passed north today, hailed out H.R. Salter and went east from there and cleaned out a lot of people. No rain at Oak Lake but we had a good shower at home. A lot of thunder storms going around all the time and we were lucky enough to miss the hail today. Mr. McChab & wife, are at J. McDonalds tonight we expect them over tomorrow.

(53)

1912 A fine day Carroll discing  
July 29 at flag ground all day  
Meberville Alf. & I worked at  
corn.

" 30 Another fine day and  
we worked at corn again in  
afternoon I pulled mustard  
in flag. Carroll still discing

" 31 Grand Donnelly began  
with us at noon for awhile  
Meberville scuffling corn off.  
Hoeing. Carroll finished discing  
& harrowing corn and is now  
horse raking it. Alex McChab  
& I went to Oak Lake afternoon  
where I gave entries for show  
and did not get home until  
eleven o'clock. Lovely weather  
and fine piping

(54)

1912 A beautiful day and we  
Aug 1, all went out to Oak Lake  
to exhibition had a good  
fair and lots of people there.  
We took two first and two  
second prizes. Frank Donnelly  
stayed at home & raked  
flag ground. Alex McChab  
and wife left tonight for  
Red Deer.

" 2 A fine day. Carroll discs  
flag ground all day. Grand  
Donnelly here today. Meberville  
& the two men hauling out  
manure home H. Hodds  
& Mr. Culver's manure spreader  
today.

" 3 Meberville laid in bed all day. I  
went to Oak Lake afternoon. Got  
out 25 loads of manure today  
Little legs pulled mustard

(55)

1912 A dull dark day and sun Aug 5 did not shine at all. Alf hauled manure all day, Errol fixed at separator and helped Alf load. Melville disced in flax ground. Frank did not come until noon and after he packed卓. I went to Brandon after noon got home at 9  
"6 Melville went to haul out two loads wheat for P.J. Merritt got one out and had to leave other one at Carey's on account of rain. Frank disced flax ground, and Alf hauled out manure. Errol went to Wadding with Dave Smith forenoon to show there. Mayrie & I went up in motor with W.R. & Eliza, poured rain while we were there and had a job to get home in mud, rained very heavy at home also

(56)

1912 We were to have had a picnic Aug 7 today at J.S. Little's for Sunday School but everything wet & foggy this morn. so we put it off. Made bargain with Grand Donnelly for three months for \$140<sup>00</sup> he begins tomorrow, he and Alf hewed him from W.C.s, to H.V. Young's house. Errol & Melville cleaned oats in forenoon a very heavy rain again in afternoon and everything swimming. Weather very dark & foggy. Reuben & I went to Oak Lake afternoon to quarterly board meeting. A lot of small hail fell today but did not seem to hurt crop  
"8 Grants crushed nearly all day Errol & Melville worked as separators Alf mended bags. I went to Oak Lake afternoon got repair over

(57)

1912 for hinders and Separators,  
dark & dull all day and drud  
very little.

May 9 A fine after noon but dull  
and hazy all forenoon and kept  
as wet as though it was raining  
all the time. Melville took out  
load of wheat for P. J. Henrich  
forenoon and after he cut  
Alfalfa. I worked at hinder  
forenoon and after tramped & pulled  
mustard in flax. Alf, Corral,  
& Grand hauled out manure  
with two spreaders. A slight  
breeze from N.E. very little  
here for tea.

"10 Hauled manures with two spreaders.  
All day and left about ten loads  
in yard. Corral took home his  
horses & spreader tonight. Melville  
finished discing flax ground

(58)

1912 And then discing in backlot,  
he also raked up Alfalfa.  
Went to school Oak Lake  
after noon took W. Bartholomew  
down and seen his cattle will  
get some of them to feed this  
winter. A very hot day and  
feels like more rain. Ivis  
went to Aunt Mary's today  
and brat down horse hall

May 10 A nice forenoon but kept  
wet we got hinder fixed up  
Irene to Oak Lake. Corral  
hauled out manure Alf made  
pig pen, afternoon Corral took  
hinder over to Seven & got started  
to cut barley but a rain came  
on & had to come home got out  
more manure & dried sod. Alf  
& I pulled mustard afternoon.  
We also did something at Sefton

(59)

1912 A dull day and very little  
Aug 13 rain all day. Alf. & I  
hoed in Corn forenoon and after  
we picked Mustard in ~~field~~  
Errol took out Cylinder to  
Oak Lake forenoon and  
after he began to cut barley  
it is a very short crop  
and hard to cut. A shower  
of rain came on about five  
and stopped everything again.  
Grand hauled manure all  
day

" 14 A dull day and we had a  
heavy rain forenoon and did  
not cut any today. Errol worked  
at machine all day. Melville &  
Grand disced in the 40 acre  
Soil. Alf. was hoing in corn  
forenoon and after he cut thistles  
in play. Drove to Oak Lake  
afternoon

(60)

1912 A damp forenoon, Errol worked  
Aug 15 at machine all day forenoon  
and in afternoon he cut barley on  
Service. Melville disced after him  
in barley ground. Grand began  
stacking on Service afternoon, he  
& Melville were discing in Soo all  
forenoon and nearly finished it  
Alf. & I hoed in Corn forenoon  
and after we pulled mustard  
in play ~~seed~~ and finished the  
4 1/2 acres and putting down at  
Careys farm.

" 16 A dull dark day and looked  
like rain all day and it began  
falling at six o'clock. Grand  
finished discing Soo and got  
about half of it harrowed across.  
Melville was plowing at Alfalfa  
ground the second time. Errol worked  
at machine. Alf. & I got all mustard  
pulled in play

(61)

1912 A dull day again and  
Aug 17 Sun did not shine, spring  
Killed rain nearly all forenoon,  
Alf harrowed sod & finished  
it. Grand plowed alfalfa  
piece the second time, did  
not quite finish. Errol  
Melville, Maggie & I went to  
Oak Lake afternoon.

• 19 A dull day and kept  
dropping rain nearly all  
day, sometimes fairly heavy.  
Melville ran pastures & finished  
alfalfa piece. Grand finished  
plowing it. Forenoon Alf, Errol,  
et fixed fence between alfalfa  
and pasture. Afternoon Errol  
& Grand put uprights on both  
sides of lane running east & west  
Melville & Alf did some fencing  
In evening to Oak Lake & back home  
wine & thresher belt

(62)

1912 I sat in house all day  
Aug 20 and wrote for Agri. Society.  
Knew all worked at fences and  
we got some fixed up, some  
stretched and uprights on some  
of it. Killed rain nearly all  
last night.

" 21 Alf and Grand stooked all  
day, at barley. Errol cut and  
Melville disced. I took Grand  
to Oak Lake forenoon and after  
he stooked barley & cut  
thistles in flax. A good day  
and drying some

• 22 A fine day sun & shine  
stray cloud. Errol cut barley  
he had to go to Oak Lake afternoon  
to get binder fixed. I went forenoon  
& got some canvas fixed. Cut the  
wheat in pasture afternoon, a  
fair crop

(63)

1912 I cut three rounds on  
Aug 23 wheat east of house  
on fall plowing forenoon then  
had to come in as binder wan-  
ted fixing. Melville kept it  
running after and went to  
Oak Lake for repairs, when  
I got back he learned binder  
was broken down and I  
went to Oak Lake again tonight  
and got home 11:30. Finished  
harvest at noon, also have  
that ground dressed, and  
we have about 15 acres of  
wheat down in all.

" 24 Rained some this morn, and  
we did not hitch to binder  
nor stalked. Melville went  
out for repairs got canvas  
fixed. We set up wagon  
box & got other chores done

Started Massey binders  
afternoon but Errol had  
to go out again for repairs.  
Seems as if we never would  
get binders to go. Another  
small shower at noon, Melville  
cut steady with Massey binders  
afternoon and it ran fine  
and all stalked up tonight,  
about half a day cutting of  
wheat in the fall plowing yet.  
A lovely afternoon sun & some  
stray rain grain ripened a lot  
left some thistles in hog pasture

Aug 26 I went to Oak Lake forenoon and  
to Mr Jackson's funeral after. Wet  
in morn, and could not start to cut  
until ten o'clock when both binders  
got going in fall plowing wheat. Errol  
broke his binder afterward and had to go  
to Oak Lake for repairs. Finished that  
piece of wheat tonight.

(65)

1912 Broke harness binders last thuy Aug 27 last night and I had to go to Oak Lake first thing this morn, for repairs could not get done of them there and had to go to Grinnold af noon. Carroll got the Cormick binder going in oak field south of house, we are cutting half of it for feed, lots of water laying in places also and he carried Cal around, he only worked a few hours when he broke a roller on the Cormick binder and had to stop. Began dropping rain at eleven and kept it up nearly all afternoon Melville fixed harness and we got two loads cutted & put in Corn stable. Also got hoing done and some uprights on fence

(66)

1912 Pretty wet this morn. and snow Aug 28 put uprights on fence until noon and then stooked oats after. Carroll & I went to put roller in his binder and broke a casting so I had to go to Oak Lake after it, got both binders going after noon finished cutting oats for sheep feed & also got a few rounds on wheat east of house. A good drying after noon although very little sun, time as we go to bed

" 29 Rained during last night and kept showery until nine o'clock. Got ashes all away, then put uprights on fence until noon. Melville went to J. S. Little for woman that is going to help us. Carroll went to Oak Lake. Finished piece of wheat east of house & got a few rounds on turn. Then got oats & wheat east of house all stooked up

(67)

1912 A fine day Errol broke his  
Aug 30 binder in two, and I had to  
go to Dad's late last night and  
then again this morn. So he did not  
cut any thym before noon.

Kelville ran Grassy all day and  
afternoon the McCormick ran  
also and they finished the piece  
of wheat north of bluff on  
Grassy, and cut a road around  
balance of field.

" 31 Errol & I cut with both  
binders until noon and then I  
went to Brandon on train,  
and Kelville ran binder. Errol  
broke his about two o'clock  
so we did not get much cut  
after all. The fallow or cover a  
heavy crop, but there is far  
more wild oats in it than I  
expected. Very windy from S.W all  
day.

(68)

1912 A very hot day and not a  
Sept breath of wind forenoon  
and sun hot, but afternoon it  
was darker and cooler, wind  
blow from east and it looks  
very like rain tonight. Frank  
Dunnelly sick today and did  
not come to work. Kelville and  
Alf. Stood at wheat on Seven  
all day. Errol & I cut and we  
finished all the wheat only about  
four acres that Errol cut for  
a few days.

" 3 A heavy rain all thunder & light-  
ning last night so we could not  
begin very early this morn. Errol  
went to his barns cut for him  
Maggie went & I went to Oak Lake  
forenoon. Kelville & Alf. stood wheat  
on Seven. After noon began to cut oats  
south of house got all wheat stood

(69)

1912 Rained some last night  
Sept 4 and we did not start  
binding until afternoon, Errol  
only made a few rounds  
when his binder broke and  
he had to stop, Frank ran  
the Massey binder all after-  
noon and nearly finished out  
South of house. Drove to  
Oak Lake afternoon. Melville  
shot some ducks yesterday  
"5 We had several showers of rain  
today and it also rained last  
night, so we could not cut  
we worked at fence all  
day & we got some fencing done  
beside granary. Errol & Mel.  
crushed a big load & got it  
into stable and in afternoon  
they went to Oak Lake in  
Wagon

(70)

1912 A fearful windy day summer  
Sept 6 followed drifting and we did  
not attempt to cut any afternoon  
Errol cut last of wheat on Seven  
and afternoon worked at separator  
Melville finished cutting oats  
south of house & Frank got them  
all stooked up. Afternoon Melville  
went to Oak Lake & bought some  
cylinders for separator & some lumber  
Alf & I cut thistles on Seven  
forenoon he & Frank fixed fence  
after we got in two new gate  
posts. I went to Griswold after  
noon

"7 Errol cut oats on Seven & Melville  
diced, did not finish it, men  
stooked before at home Maggie  
Grace went to Oak Lake after  
noon. A very heavy thunder storm  
in afternoon and heavy rain

(71)

1912 A very cool day cloudy  
Sept 9 and wind from North,  
some times sun came out  
but not often. Alf & I  
worked at gates going into  
yard all day and got two  
good gates up there. Ronal  
cut oats or corn all day  
and finished them that  
finishes all our cutting  
only the flag and we have  
been a long time at it awful  
of rain. Helville was driving  
after Ronal and Grand  
stooed.

" 10 One of the best days we have  
had yet sun hot and clear.  
Ronal & Helville got engine home  
from Oak Lake. Ronal fixed it in  
afternoon, Helville cut some  
feed oats south of house

(72)

I was cutting thistles all fore  
noon and then afternoon I got  
out Farmers Corn Cutter and  
began to cut corn got 28 rows  
done tonight. New went through  
wheat & set up stooks all  
day.

Sept 11 A lovely warm day as warm  
as July. We finished cutting  
corn this evening after being at  
it since noon yesterday. New  
finished stooking up oats and  
got quite a bit of corn up also.  
Went to Oak Lake afternoon  
got some flour

" 12 I had man from W.S. Young helping  
stook corn today and we got it all  
done. I went to Oak Lake afternoon  
& bought some barrel gasoline. Alf. got  
in some corn. but comes out in  
alfalfa. Ronal got mae home ready

(73)

1912 Began raining as we got up Sept 13 at five this morn. and rained steady & hard all day it is awful and all stocks out. We intended starting to thresh today but instead sat in house and did nothing. Put up room stone today and got it going. Rain cold and disagreeable. Kept all horses in all day.

" 14 A dull day and we had quite a few showers of rain but not much, I wrote & read in house all day. Alf. & Frank worked at fence. Small & Lebelle crushed load forenoon and after they went to Oak Lake. Gram not doing any Coal & wind N.W. tonight

(74)

1912 A dull day. Rained last night left 16 and very muddy. Went to Oak Lake forenoon and wrote after. Small & Lebelle shot ducks forenoon and went to Griswold after for gasoline. Men worked at fence all day.

" 17 Lebelle, G Smith & Reuben went south after ducks to day and did not get back until ten o'clock Lebelle had seven, rest of us worked all day at the new pump & got them out. Went to Oak Lake for sucker for fishing.

Mr Lightbody here for tea.  
" 18 Got pump in and Small engine going again at noon and after dinner took machine over to Reubens. See 4 and threshed two stacks of wheat for him, a lovely hot day

(75)

1912 Dull & dark all  
Sept 19 day and very cold  
wind ~~\*\*~~ x w. Finished  
threshing Peaseens four stacks  
at ten thirty and got machine  
home, began to cut flax  
then and charged horses  
got a lot down, Carroll  
& Alf. putting uprights on  
fence between school  
& pig pasture after noon,  
Maggie & I went to Oak  
Lake after them to V. J.s.  
for tea. Wilfred has prom-  
ised to come & help up  
thresh

" 20 Cut flax until noon also  
hauled straw into hole in lane  
& got two loads shale into it.  
Rained all afternoon steady  
I. S. Little threshed some forenoon

(76)

1912 A dull day scold wind  
Sept 21 11.44. Raining some in morn.  
Carroll & Melville were shooting  
afternoon got nothing. Then  
fixing fence on shore I took  
Maggie & Grace to Oak Lake  
Maggie went to Rapella. Very  
cold tonight but cloudy  
" 23 This frost we have seen this  
year this day. Roof of buildings  
were white. Sun shone some all  
day but not very hot, and there  
was a cold north wind. Went to Oak  
Lake forenoon roads very muddy, when  
I got home Mr Parker was here and  
brought one of our cars Maggie at  
7 a.m. Got out half of all our  
potatoes today and have them in  
a pit. Very cold tonight and  
sure to freeze very hard

(77)

1912 Froze very hard last night  
Sept. 24 lots of ice this day. Wind cold  
from north all day and will freeze  
hard again tonight. I thought it too  
cold to work at potatoes today. I  
did nothing all day. Errol was train-  
ed last night & brought a bar bison  
in. He stayed over night and bought  
our bull this day. at \$125.00  
Errol took him out and he got up  
home again on the 8.20 train to Law-  
talla. Melville got all our grain  
crushed today. Alf. was fixing  
around farm. Errol cut  
flax all afternoon

" 25 A very hard frost this day.  
and lots of ice. Alf. Melville & I took out  
three cows and the bull to Oak Lake  
~~to stay forever~~, brought cows home and  
left bull there, I shipped him to  
Lawtalla Melville & Errol went

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out tonight to pack him in car.  
Grand finished hauling out all  
manure at noon. Four of us  
worked at potatoes afternoon.  
Errol cut flax. A cool breeze from  
N.E. all day. Grand Dannelly has  
gone up to G.L. Sodde to see his  
wife tonight.

Sept 26 Very cold this day, again but  
after noon wind got from N.<sup>E.</sup> to  
N.W. and towards night it got a  
lot warmer. Grand did not get  
down from Sodde until noon.  
Errol, Melville, Alf. & I all went  
over to Kihlinger to see about a  
Holstein bull and to see the  
lambs there, we then went on to  
A.R. Speers but his sheep was away.  
Errol finished cutting flax near lake  
tonight. Men got all potatoes up. Went  
to Oak Lake afternoon & back home  
by Sodde. Grandpa here tonight

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1912 A cold wind from N.W. all Sept 27 day but towards evening it turned to N.E. and felt like snow but instead of snow we had a shower of rain and it has put things back for a few days Errol & Melville changed horses on binder and cut all flax all day. Errol went over to Harvey's at noon as they were threshing barley. Grandpa went to W.R.s. this mng. Afternoon G. Larkins drove over to see Harvey's machine work then barley is nearly all wild oats and I don't believe it will keep. He then went on to Mrs Dixons where H. Stevenson was threshing flax it goes well. We then went on to J. Pattersons where J. Little was threshing oats from straw and I don't believe they will keep. We came back

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1912 to Mrs Dixons for tea then on to see Mr J. S. Little then home after dark a little. Melville then took Geo. up to Little's where he stayed and Melville came home

Sept 28 A cold day Rain last night a little and today dull & very cold Melville & Errol got home binder took over granary & got home load of roots. Afternoon got all flax cut. Alf. got all roots hauled home. Ralph & Sweet to Oak Lake after noon to attend meeting directors of App. Society.

"30 A very fine day hot & clear all day and a very slight breeze from east, I hope it does not rain again. Threshed all day in yard and got 160 bushels done and in granary, Mr Carpenter here helping us

(81)

1912 A lovely warm day as  
Oct 1, warm as August. We fin-  
ished all wheat on fire and  
had 950 bushels here, went  
to town and made a start  
but got along very poorly and  
only made some 360 all  
day. Broke forenoon on engine  
tonight and I am going to  
Brandon tonight expect to  
be home tomorrow at 9:30  
and hope we get along better  
"2 A lovely day we got all  
wheat on fire threshed at  
home and then moved over to  
town had very bad luck &  
only did a little some 378 bushels  
all day. I had to go to Brandon  
for new pairs tonight. Got  
one load wheat out today  
to Griswold

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1912 Cloudy in morn. but at noon  
Oct 3 Cleared up got hot & sun-  
shiny but wind blew very strong  
from N.W. I got home from  
Brandon at 2:30 and we got  
machine going again at at  
three it runs all right only wind  
makes it disagreeable. Mr  
Carpenter, Kielville & Carroll  
all got loads out forenoon.  
Machine ran fine after we got going  
in spite of wind and made  
310 bushels.

"4 A lovely day hot and fine  
for threshing. I took load to  
Oak Lake forenoon & sold at  
71¢ Joe took one 2 loads to Griswold  
and Ralph took one after noon.  
Got 635 bushels threshed today  
and have one grainery full and  
will move to other one tomorrow

(83)

1912 A fine day for threshing  
Oct 4 but near dark it got  
very windy from N.W. I was  
pitching & working at machine  
forenoon and after noon went  
to ~~Cash~~<sup>Business</sup> later with a load of wheat  
the Carpenter hauled out two  
loads today, and there is 12  
loads out there now, machine  
ran well today and we made  
more bushels than any day  
yet. Had letter from Maggie at  
Mapella today and W. Sloane  
was to take this morn. to thresh  
• 5 A cold wind from N. & toward  
evening it began to rain and kept  
it up all evening. We finished threshing  
as have at noon all our wheat  
3000 bushels left and moved to Carpen-  
ters made 220 there then had to  
quit, rained a lot.

(84)

1912 A fine drying day sun shone  
Oct 7 strong and it was windy from  
South west. Sent three small loads  
of wheat to Griswold forenoon  
roads were both wet & muddy.  
Errol & Grand got home ten bags  
potatoes. Went to Oak Lake fore-  
noon & got some repairs for machine  
afternoon we threshed at Car-  
penters and got along well  
• 8 Very little wind forenoon close  
and dull no sun here; at noon  
wind began to blow from N.E.  
we had turned machine in order  
to catch a south wind and then  
had to change at noon again  
for the N.E. We finished 60 acres  
of wheat at four o'clock and  
then threshed oats made over  
a hundred today. Very  
dark & little rain or snow tonight

(85)

1912 Dull & cold all day  
Oct 9 rained & snowed some  
last night and still snowing  
a little as we got up snow  
all melted out fell, knew  
got in corn and one pit of  
potatoes today. Tom & I  
went to Oak Lake afterward  
I wore few coat very cold  
and like frozen turnips.  
" 10 A dull day no sun and a few  
showers of snow less we threshed  
all day at J. Carpenter's stacks  
of oats they are not very dry but  
he threshed them any way, made  
over 1500 bushels today. Took  
out load wheat afternoon to  
Griswold, Grace went to Oak  
Lake and met mother there and  
brought her home after being  
in Wapella nearly three weeks

(86)

1912 A fine day warm sun and  
Oct 11 hot at times, but as four  
it got pretty windy and cloudy  
and very cold. Threshed barley  
at Joes until four o'clock  
then turned over into wheat  
on east quarter but wheat  
is tough and he intends moving on  
to Stearns quarter tomorrow and  
thresh oats. Took load wheat  
out for him afternoon and bought  
home five barrels of gasoline  
" 12 A lovely day, sun shone clear  
all day and wind blew from  
N.W. I went to Oak Lake forenoon  
in buggy and then took out load  
wheat to Griswold afternoon,  
Boys threshed oats at J. Car-  
penter's all day. All machines  
started up today and first half  
began at wheat this evening

(87)

1912 A lovely day wind from  
Oct 14 north and cold, but  
Sun shone bright and it was  
warm. Threshed all day at  
J. Carpenters on Stewart farm  
and finished his wheat there  
it was badly shelled by  
wind and turned out only 14 bushels  
per acre, we got machine hand  
over to his east gristmill.

I was pitching all day as  
Alf. is not well and he  
hauled out two loads wheat  
for him Carpenter.

" 15 A fine day but windy from  
South but Sun shone bright  
& clear and we threshed wheat  
all day at Carpenter, and he  
got six loads out, his wheat  
not turning out well as it is  
very dirty

(88)

1912 A fine day hot sun shone  
Oct 16 sunny all day, but it was  
pretty windy at times. Threshed  
wheat at Mr. Carpenter all day  
I hauled out two loads for  
him and Alf. was pitching  
today.

" 17 A fine forenoon but after  
noon it was very changeable  
sometimes very pleasant, but  
it got very dark at times and  
we had a few small showers  
of rain, also thunder & lightning  
something very unusual for  
this time of year. I took load  
wheat out for J. Carpenter fore-  
noon and after noon Alf. took out  
load for ourselves and I pitched  
finished at Joes. at four o'clock  
he had 78 1/2 bushels of grain  
in all. We did a few bats for  
ourselves tonight and wife began to

(89)

1912 Raining a little as we Oct 18 went to bed last night and also rained a little this morn. but not enough to stop threshing but it blew a hurricane all day and we did not thresh nor did any other machine run. I went to Oak Lake fore noon and got three horses sold in front. Melville & Alfred went shooting men job in a pit of potatoes. After noon Melville & Alf. took out two loads of wheat. Grand got in balance of potatoes.

" 19 I took out two loads of wheat to Griswold today. Boys threshed flat began at ten and made 290 bushels. Very cold all day wind east and we are sure to have snow

(90)

1912 Cloudy & very cold all day Oct 21 wind N.W. and like snow all the time but tonight is cleared up and sun went down beautiful. I took out two loads wheat today 150 bushels to Griswold. Boys threshed flat all day and made 378 bushels. Clear and very frosty tonight

" 22 A very cold day. But sun came out warm & pleasant but towards noon it got very windy from south we could not thresh after noon at all. Grand ran dice where I intend to follow next year Grand worked at separator. Melville went to Oak Lake. Alf & I took loads out to Griswold. I sold 1455 bushels of wheat today at 76<sup>c</sup>

(91)

1912 Threshed flax all day and Oct 23 finished it only cleaning up.  
Spent to Oct Lake afternoon and got a barrel of gasoline from McCubbin & Paul some hills to Oct Lake, Grace & I went out tonight to see how Campbell threshed.  
A fine day.

" 24 A very fine day cleaned up flax this morn, then moved machine to yard and threshed oats all day here. Engine did not run very well and we only made 13 bushels. Canceled here due for more only for engine kicking. A fine day a slight breeze from S.W.

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1912 A fine day warm & pleasant  
Oct 25 Hauled home oats from Seven and threshed in yard then at noon we turned over to seven and began at barley, it is turning and better than expected, and we ought to be done about four o'clock tomorrow. I am hauling home with two teams and putting balance in granary along side of machine

• 26 A lovely day a slight breeze from east all day, we threshed barley on seven all day and only left about five loads to finish.  
• 27 We finished threshing on seven at nine o'clock and that finishes us altogether. Then went to Reulans and made 1190 of oats. Took load wheat to Giswold afternoon got gasoline. Stayed east until all day & run to bed

(93)

1912 Saw snow on ground Oct 29 this mry. when we got up but it was all away before night, Leebille took two loads of wheat to Gisnold today, Randal took one load afternoon and Reuben took out two loads for us. We did not thresh any as it was so windy. Went to Oak Lake forenoon in buggy.

" 30 A fine day but cold wind from west and dull loads like dinner. Boys threshed at Randal all day and went to Ponner's tonight. I took load wheat to Gisnold for Reuben.

" 31 Very cold all day sun did not shine ten minutes in all. Dull & very like snow. Threshed barley & flax all day at Ponner's his barley good but tough and flax hard to thresh. I went to Oak Lake after noon

(94)

1912 A fine day sun shone all morning but there was a cold wind from N. W. Boys threshed at the Ponners all day and did not finish his stocks. Went to Oak Lake in mry. in buggy & took home salt and in afternoon I went to Gisnold with a load of wheat. Came at school tonight and all have gone only Randal & I.

" 2 A fine day clear sun shone but very cold cold morning driving. I went to Oak Lake forenoon in buggy machine broke and took out repairs. Af. led our Rebecca sold to her brother he came home with me. Afternoon I went out in mry. took out calf & brought one bought from J. Lind. I also bought back a crusher and wheelbarrow. Boys at Ponner's yet only worked half a day

(95)

1912 A dull dark day and loaded  
bar 4 like snow all day. Boys fin-  
ished Mr. Pomeroy's stacks at 9  
and turned to Mr. Kennedy's and  
threshed five stacks of wheat  
there. Alf. and I went to Oak  
Lake to bring home some steers  
but came home without them.  
Snowing a little tonight, Rooster  
came across today and is to  
begin at Mr. Kennedy's tomorrow  
• 5 A dull day and like snow  
all day. Boys at Mr. Kennedy's  
all day and got along poorly  
as machine did not work well.  
I went to Kenton and had my  
dinner at Mr. Heddars and  
brought down two men from  
there, one for myself and one  
for J. Carpenter. I have mine  
hired until 1<sup>st</sup> April at \$17 per hr.

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1912 The Scatchman I got from  
Mr. C. Kenton yesterday John Scott  
and I went down to Bothwick to-  
day and picked out 19 head of steers  
Bothwick & D. Henderson brought  
them to Oak Lake & put them in stock  
yard. John & I went on to G. Gordon's  
and had dinner there came back  
to Oak Lake & bought cattle home,  
got home at five o'clock. Boys  
threshing at Reubens all day.  
Very foggy until ten o'clock when  
it cleared up and we had a  
fine warm day and snow went  
away a lot.

" 7 A warm day but got very windy  
tonight from N.W. & cold. Finished  
all Reubens threshing tonight. Alf.  
done working today, he went to Oak  
Lake afternoon got barrel gasoline  
machine at Pomeroy tonight.

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1912 A fine day I took Alf  
~~Book~~ & Goddard down to Wm. Merrick's  
today, he is leaving us after put-  
ting in over seven months and is  
going to America for the winter.  
Went on to Oak Lake and got  
grain, ~~book~~ & James Osterhout  
here for dinner today. Wm.  
Merrick at Jacobson's for  
part of day had head wind  
and did not work all day.  
"9 A fine day clear & bright  
all day and warm. Boys fin-  
ished threshing at Bonniers  
at 2 o'clock got home with  
machine. Three of them stacked  
oats then, Revol & McMillen fixed  
up new crusher. Went to Oak  
Lake afternoon & boat, home some  
gasoline lamp. Grace gone to  
practice in church tonight.

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1912 A dull day and sun did not  
nor 11 shine but it was pleasant  
and not very cold. I went up to  
Dick Wright's forenoon and saw how  
his crusher was set up. Afternoon  
went down to P. J. Merricks and  
got bottle of Wood Alcohol for  
gasoline lamp. Tonight we went  
up to church and heard Mr. Hilt-  
licher speak & had a tea there.  
Got home 12 o'clock. Men got  
all our feed oats stacked.  
"12 McMillen took load of wheat  
to Griswold today, Revol got  
Vessey crusher set up and  
crushed some with it. John  
Scatt plowed some thistles patches  
Went to Oak Lake afternoon  
in wagon and boat. Home some  
lumber to fix stable as his  
land is to come soon and workable.

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1912 Errol took load wheat and  
Nov 13 forenoon for Remond and Kell  
ville took one for ourselves.  
Afternoon Maggie & I went to J.S.  
Kettles where he stayed and  
went on to Remond's sale  
Came back to John for my  
tea and then we came home.  
Errol & Kellville also came to sale  
John plowed some thistle patches  
J. Ladd & man here today to  
fix stable.  
" 14 Kellville took one load wheat  
to Griswold forenoon and I took  
one afternoon. Errol helping Mr  
Remond to thresh. John plowed  
some thistle patches forenoon  
and went to Oak Lake after  
with Cane to Borthwick  
A nice warm day

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1912 A very fine day as warm as  
Nov 15 Sept. Errol helping Mr Remond  
Kellville hauled two loads to Gris-  
wold. John & I got home grainings  
from Seven and chores around  
General.

" 16 A lovely day Kellville hauled  
two loads wheat to Griswold  
Errol was helping Mr Remond  
to thresh all day. John & I  
plowed until noon, we also got  
home colts. Afternoon Maggie  
& I went to Oak Lake, John  
plowed some

" 18 I took load wheat to Griswold  
forenoon and Kellville took one after  
got stable door fixed up afternoon  
Errol threshed Mr Remond all day  
until three o'clock then came home as  
machine was broken. John plowed after  
noon. A lovely warm day. Maggie & I  
went to Mrs McLean's before tonight in Oak Lake

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1912 A lovely day. Carroll threshed  
Nov 19 with his barnard all day.

Melville hauled one two loads wheat  
to Griswold and then loads on  
Second car with 1435 bushels  
but it will have to stay in elevator  
as there is no cars. John fin-  
ished plowing small piece of  
flat ground near Mr Carpenter  
and began in pasture near  
School it is pretty hard frozen  
and hard to do even about  
two inches of top soil frozen  
hard. Maggie & I went to Oak  
Lake after noon attended  
quarterly board meeting  
in Methodist Church and then  
stayed & had supper in  
passenger. Carroll & Grace went  
to lecture & supper in St  
David's

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1912 A fine day only windy at  
times. I went to Griswold for  
hour in buggy and after noon hauled  
around and fixed stable also  
got steers all in only one. Carroll  
crushed until three o'clock  
and went to Oak Lake in buggy  
Melville hauled shale. John  
got corn shelled generally.  
Maggie went to Brandon with  
W. R. in motor coming home  
tomorrow. I went up to  
prayer meeting tonight in  
Reformation Church

" 21 A fine day Melville hauled  
shale all day. Maggie came  
home from Brandon with Daniel  
motor she got a house there and  
some of family will move down  
soon. Carroll crushed some forearm  
& went to Oak Lake for coal. John  
& I shored

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1912 A nice soft forenoon  
Nov 22 but it snowed a couple  
of inches after dinner, Carroll  
went to V. J. Smith's & brother home  
a hundred bushels of oats.  
Melville hauled shale until  
noon then crushed. John & I  
chored around. Mr & Mrs  
Smith here for dinner first  
time she has been here  
for over a year

" 23 A fine day cold but clear  
and pleasant. Carroll crushed  
nearly all day. Maggie & I went  
to Oak Lake afternoon and  
got home at dark. Melville &  
John chored all day & got  
a couple of loads of manure  
out.

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1912 A fine day again today  
Nov 25 pretty cold but Sun shone  
bright, and it was pleasant. I  
travelled & I went to Oak Lake  
forenoon and I got all the  
papers signed in connection with  
selling the agr. Society lands to  
~~Mr Wright~~. After noon I was  
putting glass in windows in  
stable. Carroll crushed for  
ourself forenoon and for  
Melville after. Melville went  
to Oak Lake afternoon to  
get horses shod and could  
not be come home with  
half a ton of coal. John  
got all chips into stable  
& a load of corn home  
also a load of manure  
on to wagon. I am going  
to Brandon tonight

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1912 Janus to Brandon last  
Jan 26 night Errol took me to  
Oak Lake and I went down  
on the 10. 20. Stayed at the  
Palace Hotel. Went to see the  
house Maggie had rented and  
paid 20.00 on the rent. Then  
went to see Mrs. W. B. Got  
my business settled up at  
Wheat factories office and also  
with Mr. McNease & came  
home on the 1. 20 train. met Dickie  
Armstrong & his two girls at Brandon  
station. Got a ride home from  
Oak Lake with John Bailey  
Errol & Melville came to Oak  
Lake to bring bull home from Algoa  
Siding on P. N. R. but came home  
without him. Very cold but no  
Snow and pretty good weather

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1912 Very cold all day and windy  
Jan 27 from S. E. Skinned around all  
day got some screens off windows  
& put on some storm sash.  
Errol & Melville went to Algoa  
and brought home bull and  
also brought home Grand  
Reed with them from Oak Lake.  
Got little engine away from pump  
& put other head on it for  
hand pumping. also got some  
crushing done. John hauled  
out lime.

• 28 A cold day but fine weather.  
Melville got home load of coal  
from Giswold forenoon. Afternoon  
went to Oak Lake took out  
small engine, crusher & two small  
honey, brought home two  
carasses of beef for winter  
Errol crushed

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1912 A lovely day warm & pleasant  
Nov 29 Had to pull up pump forenoon  
and after Kellville went to Oak  
Lake got horses & had & brought  
home load of hard Coal. Carol  
& I cut up two carcasses of  
beef forenoon afternoon and  
we crushed some. Maggie & I  
went up to J. S. Littles tonight  
" 30 Drove to see Bert Brothers  
forenoon she is getting better  
and afternoon went to Griswold  
to see her Mill. Boys hauled  
over barley from Section Seven.  
A cold wind all day but not  
bad

Dec 2 A very cold wind all day  
yesterday today not so cold wind  
South east. Carol went to school  
meeting and then went to Brandon  
with Dave in motor. Kellville

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1912 Got over two loads of barley  
John Chored got straw &  
driven to Oak Lake as soon  
and went to Virden came home  
tonight. Very dark but warmer  
tonight looks like snow  
Dec 3 Snowed about two inches  
last night, Got home after  
eleven and it was not snowing  
yet but snow was on ground  
when we got up. But it was a  
fine day not very cold and  
sun went away a little in  
places. Tom went to Brandon  
with Dave yesterday and got  
home today. I got home all  
the barley from Seven and then  
Tom & Kellville got home the  
grainery. Got a load ground for  
Rubber and also got one steer  
pew cleaned out

(109)

1912 Snowing & storming all day Dec 4 and still at it as we go to bed. A lot of snow has fallen and it is piled up a lot. Not very frosty. Finished cleaning out steer pens today but did not haul anything out to field. Carroll & Melville went to Oak Lake afternoon in express.

" 5 A fine day but very frosty when we got up I heard it was 17 below zero. Boys went for load shale forenoon and after that marine out. I wrote in house all day. Not so cold tonight. Snow fell about six inches but not much of it stayed on roads

(110)

1912 A fine day pretty cold but Dec 6 not bad. I wrote in house nearly all day. Mr Kearn & J. S. Little brought loads of chop and John took his home again done, but Mr Kearn left his here. Melville went to A. R. Speer's farm at Griswold afternoon and bought six ewes for \$450.00. Carroll & Grand went to Concert in Oak Lake given by School.

" 7 A cold stormy day, wind strong from S. W. all day and drifting a lot. Carroll crushed some for Mr Kearn. Melville Grand & I went to Oak Lake afternoon when the former went to Delft to attend a two weeks course in Ag. College. It was the annual meeting of Agr. Society & we did not get home until eight o'clock

(111)

1912 A soft day and snow on  
Dec 9 South side of building thun-  
ed some, and snow was soft.  
Buckwind blew strong from S.W.  
until near eight when it got  
due west. Errol crushed a  
load for Mr. Kearn. Maggie & I  
went to Oak Lake afternoon  
got home at dark. Errol  
went out to Skating rink to-  
night.

" 10 Pretty cold all day and  
I sat in house all day, knew  
did chores. Freda Pommel  
came for awhile today

" 11 Very cold this morn. Ther-  
ometer 24 below this morn  
I took train to Oak Lake  
afternoon and he went away to  
LaPorte Indiana. Kept cold  
all day. Beat home boys for play

(112)

1912 A fine day and not cold  
Dec 12 I took load wheat to Oak  
Lake for grain after noon and  
break, home our little engine.  
Mr. Lightbody here for tea. Errol  
crushed load for Mr. Kearn & some  
for ourselves.

" 13 I am 53 today. A fine day  
and not cold. Maggie, Samuel  
& I went to Oak Lake afternoon  
then after eight I drove home  
up to Mr. G. for grain practice  
Mr. Haussak here for tea and  
staying over night.

" 14 A very fine day. Errol went to Oak  
Lake after noon to J. Douglas's  
funeral. I hopped around got  
fanning mill & engine into back parsony  
killed pig forenoon beat it up  
after. Errol crushed some  
for ourselves forenoon

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1912 A fine day not cold  
Dec 16 last wind east all day and  
it was foggy. Errol & I went  
to Alexander to attend Liberal  
Convention got home very late at  
night. John did chores all  
day.

" 17 Bert Smithers came to-  
day with oats barley to get  
chopped and Errol did it for  
him. I bought his team of  
foals for \$160.00 and he is to  
bring them down on Thursday.  
I went to Oak Lake forenoon  
got a barrel of gasoline.  
Then cleaned some wheat  
with little engine after.  
A fine day not cold.  
John cleaned out a steer  
pen.

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1912 Went to Oak Lake ~~for~~  
Dec 18 afternoon, took out the  
empty gasoline tank got  
some flour home with me.  
Cleaned wheat forenoon & took  
out some things off farm  
mill to be fixed. Killed all  
ducks back farm today.

" 19 Very stormy all day from  
N.E. and a lot of snow fell,  
the worst storm we had this  
year. I wrote nearly all day.  
Errol went to Oak Lake afternoon  
and brought home mail.

" 20 A fine day. Cleaned wheat  
in granary with little engine  
Errol ran it afternoon and  
I was writing and fixing up  
Ag Society books. Got load  
straw and load corn today.

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1912 A fine day not very  
Dec 21<sup>st</sup> Cold, cleaned wheel fore-  
noon then went to Oak Lake  
after took out Maggie & Walter  
got home after night. Errol took  
Grace up to practice singing  
tonight. Errol finished cleaning  
the wheel today. John did  
chores and cleaned out hen  
house.

" 23 A fine day not cold  
Saw warm forenoon & snow  
a bit soft. Errol & I got  
down a load of hay & started  
to clean it. John cleaned out  
steers today got all manure  
away to fields. Ralph &  
went to Oak Lake afternoon  
got some bread. Errol went  
to Christmas tree in Oak  
Lake tonight with Melville

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1912 A fine day and not cold  
Dec 24 Cleaned flag forenoon and Errol  
cleaned after. Melville went to  
Oak Lake afternoon and I went up  
to church to fix up for Christmas  
tree. All the family only Melville  
and Errol went up to Christmas tree  
and had a fine time.

" 25 This is Christmas day.  
we had N. R. here for dinner  
tea. Errol & Melville went out  
to skate at Oak Lake tonight.  
A fine day & not cold. I took  
La Grippe today and feel  
very miserable

" 26 I was sick all day with La  
Grippe and stayed in house.  
Grace is also very poorly. Melville  
went to Oak Lake after noon and  
brought home Cecil he is home from  
Medicine Hat. A fine day not cold

(117)

1912 A soft day and snow went  
Dec 27 away some. I took Maggie  
out to Griswold and she took  
train for Brandon. was home  
in places. Melville left for  
Brandon this morn with a  
load of stuff for the folks  
to use this winter. Got home  
three roosters from W. Gouff  
today.

28 A fine day nearly all day  
but we had a very heavy  
wind for an hour and it blew  
both deer & snow a lot. I  
took Grace to Oak Lake after  
noon and they went to Brandon  
on train it was late and  
they did not leave Oak Lake  
until eight o'clock. Carol  
cleared flag. Melville got  
home from Brandon at four o'clock

(118)

1912 Hat very cold today but it  
Dec 30 blew a hurricane both  
ground and snow drifted a  
lot. Carroll cleaned flag forenoon  
then went up to Dixons to see  
farming till work after.  
Melville took train & to  
Griswold at noon and we  
went to Brandon, and I  
came home on 8.20 train they  
stayed down with Grace.  
Maggie came home from Brandon  
today.

1913 Jan 1 A fine day but very cold  
and stormy towards evening a  
regular blizzard. Carroll & I were out  
to Oak Lake to hear the lectures  
sent by Agr. College. Melville &  
Ceil saw the farming till &  
cleaned flag. A very dull the  
winter. Very cold & stormy tonight

(119)

1913 A fine day but cold a  
few 2-3° colder than anything  
we have had for a long time.  
I took rans up to J. S. Little  
this morn. & brak home some  
bread as Maggie is there.  
Bays cleaned flax today and  
got along well, they all went  
over to see Dave tonight.  
• 3 A fine day. Cecil went up  
to J. S. Little's and brought  
Maggie home she stayed until  
evening and then went back  
with dogs as they were going  
up to Uncle Tom's where  
they had a supper & a lot  
of young people. Got load  
of flax cleaned yesterday and  
another one in. Broke the  
two whiffle trees of cutters and  
also short tang in sleigh  
today.

(120)

1913 A fine day but pretty cold  
Jan 4 I stayed in home all day  
Bays ran farming mill and got  
a load done off flax. Bays  
went to her carpenters <sup>offices</sup> tonight.  
"6 A very cold day 40 below this  
morning and kept cold all day  
sun above clear no clouds and  
hardly any wind but fearful  
cold. Errol took her carpenters  
sleigh home this morn. and got  
another one from him for a  
few days. Afternoon Errol  
took Melville and to Oak Lake  
and brak home a load of  
coal. Cecil & Errol went to  
Carnival tonight. Very cold  
again tonight but don't feel  
so bad as last night,  
but thermometer will get down  
pretty low.

(121)

1913 A fine day 35 below zero  
very thin snow. Weather got warmer  
towards evening. Cecil went to  
Oak Lake afternoon & boat.  
Home some repairs for sleigh  
J. J. Smith brought his traps  
home from J. S. Little's tonight  
he stayed until eight nine.  
" 8 traps for home from J. S.  
Little's last night and  
is at home today. Carroll &  
I went out to Oak Lake to  
attend lectures by men sent  
by Agr. College Had a good  
travel. A cold day but  
pleasant. Carroll & I got  
down load of flax today.  
" 9 Stark traps Cecil to Oak  
Lake afternoon and they went  
to Brandon on train. Carroll  
crushed down. A cold day but  
pleasant

(122)

1913 A very cold day Carroll tried to  
Saw to do some crushing but belt  
broke and it could not be fixed  
J. S. Little came down with  
some chop and had to leave  
it. Got a little flax cleaned  
" 11 Very cold all day a keen  
wind from west. Carroll  
cleaned some flax. Went  
to Oak Lake afternoon & boat.  
Home W. R. Smith he has been  
at Brandon. A miserable  
cold time these last ten days  
and hard to keep house warm.  
" 13 Wind blew strong from south  
all day and it was very  
cold. got some flax cleaned  
less not much. Carroll went  
to W. R. forenoon and started  
his engine. W. R. boat. our mail  
home afternoon. Carroll went to  
Kato tonight

(123)

1913 a fine day and not very  
Jan 14 Cold. Errol crushed a  
load for J. Little today. I  
went to Oak Lake afternoon  
John got the two steer pens  
cleaned out

"15" a fine day and not cold  
had some snow last night  
but not much. Errol  
did a little crushing fore-  
noon. J. S. Little & Grandpa  
came forenoon & took home  
their Chap. Errol & I went  
to Oak Lake after <sup>noon</sup> and  
Mr Bedford spoke on  
Seed Selection and then  
Mr Farrel spoke on Cow  
testing, had a good meeting  
and a lot there

(124)

1913 Clear hard frost 4.30, all  
Jan 16 day and Cold but not  
very frosty, but a mighty wind  
and enough snow to make  
it disagreeable. I went to  
Griswold afternoon got home  
before dark. Errol finished  
all the crushing we had  
here.

"17 A fine day. Errol <sup>got</sup> ~~got~~  
load of flat down from  
Granary forenoon and Errol  
cleaned it after noon but  
did not finish, he has  
gone to Kate tonight.

"18 Wind east all day fairly  
windy until noon then it got very  
high and we had a big storm of  
wind & snow until right the main  
blizzard this winter. Went to  
Oak Lake for mail. Errol  
cleaned some boxes

(125)

- 1913 The coldest morning so far  
Jan 20 this year heard it was  
45 below zero. Kept cold all  
day although very calm  
and a slight breeze from  
south, got a little sand bear  
up in and sawing a little as  
we go to bed. Errol cleaned  
some flax today, he & I went out  
for a load. Mr. Sommer here  
for awhile this evening. I will  
not have mail
- 21 A cold day and a slight  
breeze from east. Went to  
Oak Lake afternoon to  
receive entries for seed fair  
and got home again after  
Saw not many entries not  
as many as we expected.  
Keen frost all day

(126)

- 1913 A cold day, clear but very  
Jan 22 Keen all day. Errol cleaned  
flax and got down another load.  
I went out to seed fair at one o'clock  
and spent the afternoon at Oak  
Lake. We had a fine banquet  
at night a splendid spread  
and a good programme. Muriel  
& Maggie came home tonight from  
Brandon
- 23 A fine day and not very  
cold I went to Oak Lake  
forenoon afternoon and took  
home. Errol & I got  
down load of flax and got  
it nearly all cleaned
- 24 A fine day clear scald but  
not bad. Cleared flax again  
today. Went to Oak Lake after-  
noon and boat. Home. George  
came down for her

(129)

1913 Another fine day and was  
Jan 25 cold. Cleanned flat nearly  
all day. Errol went to Oak  
Lake afternoon and took  
out Coal here to Mr. Bothwells  
Maggie & Sunders up to J. S. Little  
tonight.

" 27 snowed some last night  
and very hard for an hour  
this morn. but cleared up  
and we had a nice day.  
Cleanned some flat fore  
noon and Errol worked on  
crusher. Afternoon took  
Maggie & Sunders to Oak  
Lake and they went to  
Brandon & brought home  
some coal and a barrel  
of gasoline. But a bag  
off flat to McKenzie today

(128)

1913 A nice warm day nearly  
Jan 28 thawing. Errol got crusher  
going afternoon and did a lot.  
John got all steer pens cleanned  
Iraun farming till afternoon  
" 29 A very warm day and no  
wind snow thawed on building  
but none did on ground. Leo  
Kearn here today helping us.  
Errol & I went to Oak Lake.  
afternoon had a Directors  
meeting there and also the  
last meeting of the Apr. School.  
" 30 Been a regular blizzard from  
north all day could hardly see  
at times no snow fell but  
drifted what was on ground.  
Cleanned load flat forenoon. Errol  
tried to get crusher working but  
could not. got home load  
flat off forenoon

(129)

1913 A fine day. Errol cleaned  
Feb 31 Some flax forenoon and  
crushed a bunch 100 lbs of  
clay after. Went to Oak  
Lake afternoon took up a  
can of cream and brought  
home a meal that Cecil had  
brought up from Brandon.

Feb 3 Feb 31 A fine day and  
not cold. Errol got crushed  
flax near night and got a  
few bags done. I cleaned  
all the load of flax though  
once in afternoon.

Feb 1st Errol & John brought  
down a load of flax fore-  
noon & Errol got a little  
of it cleaned afternoon he  
crushed and went to Oak  
Lake took out cream can  
and brought home a

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1913 Heard that Cecil had been  
up from Brandon, he is to stay  
next week as Errol is going  
to Kpp. A fine day and not  
very cold

Feb 3 Very cold this morn. and we  
heard over 30 below zero all  
forenoon, calm in morn. but got  
pretty windy towards noon and  
Kept blowing afternoon Errol  
got load of flax cleaned first  
time forenoon and afternoon  
I took him to Oak Lake and  
he went to Kpp. The man  
cleaned flax all afternoon,  
a fearful cold day <sup>one</sup> of the  
worst this season. John  
got one steer pen cleaned  
out.

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1913 Another very cold day  
Feb 4 and a high wind,  
from south. John finished  
cleaning and straw pens today  
and got another load of  
flax home. Appleton cleaned  
some second time and also  
began at load first time  
"5 not so cold today took  
nearly so frosty but some  
wind from N.W. went to  
Dad Lake afternoon and  
got mail. John got two loads  
of straw. Appleton cleaned  
at flax  
"6 A fine day and not cold  
got down another load of  
flax today and we are getting  
along fine with it. I was  
unloading some bags today

(132)

1913 A fine day and not cold  
Feb 7 I stayed at home all day  
and wrote letters got load  
of flax cleaned and rig in  
cylinder more and ~~had~~  
home had to quit cleaning a  
little early  
"8 A fine day again I was  
trying to put in new rig in  
cylinder and broke the new  
one phoned down to Brandon  
and they have none there so  
we will be not able to clean  
again for a few days. I went to  
Dad Lake today horses ran  
away & upset cutter &  
hurk my leg a little.  
Good and clean car today  
that is the second one.  
Tom went out to meet <sup>right</sup> Cora  
tonight and is not home at time

(133)

1913 I went to Brandon on Sunday Feb 13<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> it blew very hard all that day and was so blustering at times we could not see half a mile. I got to Brandon at five o'clock next day the 14<sup>th</sup> was a very cold day and I sat in house in Brandon all day. Yesterday the 15<sup>th</sup> it got a lot finer and was not nearly so cold. I was to come home on the 12.20 train, but there was an accident on track at Poplar Bush and I did not get to Oak Lake until last night ten 20 and got home at 11.30 a man that has been working here was going to Brandon and had brought out horses and came home with them. I owned a little tonight.

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1913 Rained and stormed all Feb 14 day not very cold but very disagreeable, sometimes could not see two hundred yards. Did not let horses out for drink until near eight when wind went down and storm stopped. Herob cleaned flax and got a lot done. Sat in house all day. 15 A fine day but some stormy forenoon but got nice & pleasant towards evening. Herob cleaned some flax fore noon after went to Oak Lake in Cuttes then he went on to Alex Goodwin did not get home tonight. Capleton came up from Brandon again today and will stay next week with us.

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- 1913 Blew pretty hard from  
Feb 17 N. E. all day and some-  
times very rough and thick  
with snow. Clarence cleaned  
flax all day. Errol took out  
23 bushels after noon & about have  
some coal. Mr. Lightbody  
here for automobile this evening.  
" 18 A pretty stormy day again  
and wind east. Errol took out  
some flax as ever and bought  
maggie back she came up  
on train today. Clarence cleaned  
flax in forenoon, my leg & foot  
very sore and I tried to do as  
little as possible  
" 19 Errol made two trips out  
with flax today and W.R.  
also took out some, has very  
cold and much better weather  
than we have been having

(136)

- 1913 A cold wind but not a bad day  
Feb 20 Errol took two loads of flax out  
to Oak Lake and Reuben took one  
one for us. Clarence cleaned all day  
John chores.  
" 21 Alf Goddard came today and  
I heard him at \$35.00 per bushel to  
commence on 1st April and con-  
tinue until freeze up. Errol took  
out two loads again today and men  
got last load down from field  
Clarence got it cleaned once  
afternoon, we will have about  
920 bushels in all perhaps a little  
more. A fine day and not very  
cold. Alex Manning died today  
in Oak Lake of Scaled fever.  
" 22 A fine day and Errol got out  
two loads of flax. nearly done  
cleaning flax now.

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1913 A fine day not very  
Feb 24 cold. We finished  
cleaning all the flat traps.  
Errol took out two loads  
today. I drove out in after-  
noon and heard bird song  
sped on Single tax & Errol  
gone out tonight to join the  
Oddfellows.

" 25 A nice morning but got very  
stormy at times, sometimes  
could hardly see. Errol &  
Clarence stayed in Oak Lake  
all day & loaded car of flats  
neighbors got out six loads  
for us and car was shipped  
tonight.

" 26 32 below zero this morn and  
very cold all day although sun  
shone warm. Took traps to  
Oak Lake afternoon and she

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1913 Went to Brandon and I got horse  
shod at front feet. C. Appleby  
left this morn. and went to work  
at J. Little for a week. J.  
Little took horns off bull  
this morn. Errol right today  
gone to Goodwin tonight

Feb 27 Very cold this morn. but got  
warmer during day as sun shone  
strong, but very frosty again to-  
night. Errol got crusher  
going afternoon and got 40  
bags done for ourselves.  
Errol went to A. E. Harvey's  
tonight a celebration for Arthur  
he is no today

" 28 A cold day but clear and sun  
shone bright towards evening it got  
like snow, but hardly any fell.  
I went to Oak Lake afternoon for <sup>sight</sup>  
Errol crushed, he went to carnival to-

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" 1913 A cold stormy day, wind  
Mar, blew hard at times and  
it was pretty frosty. Errol  
took out Chathams farming  
will after noon to Addie  
Stewart he is going to try and  
sell it for us.

" 3 A fine day and not very  
cold, Errol crushed afternoon  
I did some house keeping.  
I took Errol out to Oak Lake  
after dark and he is to go to  
Brandon tonight on the 10.30  
" 4 Wind S.W. today and not  
cold but been pretty hard  
at times and drifted some  
Mr Barthwick & wife here  
today, - he was looking at  
Cattle soffered 6 1/4 Cents for  
them now, but I won't sell  
yet.

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on Wednesday

1913 Spent to Oak Lake tonight and  
Mar 11<sup>th</sup> took train to Brandon, Errol  
brought home team, I stayed in Bran-  
don all day Thursday & Friday  
took in fair both days then on  
Saturday went to Moore Park to  
Richard Armstrongs. A very stormy  
day but not cold and cleared  
up towards night. Stayed at  
Richards until afternoon on  
Monday March 10<sup>th</sup> when he will  
come in to Brandon he came to  
our place for tea and took  
the seven o'clock train for  
Edmonton. I went to Hospital  
this evening to see Grace she  
is pretty bad and Dr. Carlisle  
brought her home at 11.30 and I came  
up on train that leaves Brandon at  
12.30 got out home with J.R. Kennedy  
a nice clear day but cold

(141)

1913 Wind from east all day  
Mar 12 and coal bus not very  
frosty, Carroll went to Oak Lake  
afternoon and brat. home  
some coal and a barrel of  
salt. Wm Routhedge cattle  
barger from Laramore here  
for dinner also another man  
with him he offered me 6 $\frac{1}{2}$   
cents for cattle land I don't  
think I will take it. Charlie  
came along tonight and took  
Carroll to W.W. Young they  
had a little socialization  
tonight Bertha got cleaned  
today.

• 14 A very cold day wind  
N.W. all day still as cold  
as January. I took home  
Jamey over to Oak Lake  
forenoon, and stayed

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1913 there for dinner sold him  
to Maggie's brother Dave.  
Carroll went up to St Davids  
Church afternoon they have  
their entertainment there tonight.  
H. Reed came up from Brandon  
today and came home with  
me. P. Phillips came tonight  
and traded some oats.

Mar 15 Very cold all day but  
pleasant and clear. Went to  
Oak Lake afternoon and got  
cream can. Carroll & Frank  
Reed hitched up the colts  
today for first time they  
go well.

• 17 A storm from east and  
snowed a lot. Dr. Leish &  
wife here for awhile in afternoon.  
Stopped snowing at noon & it  
was not cold. Carroll went to Oak  
Lake tonight

(143)

1913 G. Henrich came today  
Mar 18 and helped us kill pigs  
we killed three in the after  
noon, they are good ones and  
will weigh 700 pounds any  
way. A cold day and stormy  
at times.

" 19 Frank went to W. C's.  
today, at four o'clock,  
he, Carroll & I had the  
three pigs cut up & all  
salted & saw some to salt  
we got some Sausage meat  
out up also, very cold  
all day.

" 20 A very hard frost  
last night about as cold  
as January. We cut up  
Sausage meat today  
and got the Sausages all  
filled so are done with it

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1913 Carroll went to Entertainment  
Mar 21 in Oak Lake last night  
Cecil Shubille came up from  
Brandon came home with him  
also his Hounds, the latter  
went up to Keweenaw today.  
A cold day but clear and  
Sun shining. Carroll crushed  
some for cows & steers  
25 I went to Oak Lake Brandon  
on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> inst. and got  
home tonight, left them all pretty  
well down there Ralph has been  
bothered some with earache  
but he was better and Grace is  
also improving. Winter still keeps  
here no sign of a thaw and very  
cold. I got a ride out home  
from Oak Lake with his Hounds  
and J. Stewart.

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"1913 Very frosty this day, but  
Mar 26 a clear fine day saw  
Snow all day but no than  
at all. Errol got farming till  
going and cleaned some wheat.  
Spent to Oak Lake afternoon  
and boat. have two barrels  
gasoline for myself & W.C.  
Grand Reed at J.R. Kennedy's  
tonight.

"27 A fine day cool but pleasant  
Errol went to Co. Rd Bethel for  
load of wood today this is  
the first we have hauled.  
Kilmerville studied most of the  
day.

"28 A warm day wind S.W. and  
Snow went some. Errol went  
for wood again today and upsets  
he was late home, roads took  
some. G Reed came back tonight

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1913 Today is James Armstrong's  
Mar 29 birthday and would  
be also Sister Alena if she  
was alive. Very soft all  
day. I went to Oak Lake after-  
noon, took out Kilmerville who  
went to Brandon and boat.  
Home the twins who came up.  
Snow has gone a lot and  
roads very soft. I brought  
home a writing desk and  
book case.

"31 A warm day and snow went  
a lot. I went to Oak Lake fore-  
noon & had a job getting back.  
Roads were so soft. Errol  
crushed a lot today for ourselves.  
I brought home  $\frac{4}{38}$  do worth of  
groceries and should have  
enough to do same time  
Stewart Sutherland & <sup>but try to</sup> G Carpenter

(147)

1913 Brother W.C. is 57 today. A  
Apr 1 nice warm day and snow  
going a lot. Errol took J Scott  
who has been working for us,  
H Reed and S Sutherland out to  
Oak Lake forenoon they are all  
going west. Alf Goddard came  
at 9 oclock he is to stay  
all summer at \$35 per mo.  
Errol worked in afternoon  
" & Errol & Alf went to field  
with two teams to bring in  
grainies but they stand in  
a pool of water & could not  
be reached. Errol worked  
load for his bullock then got  
grainy cleaned up to start clean-  
ing grain. Alf. got all storm  
lash off and got some  
of the grain lying away  
from house. Water everywhere

(148)

1913 a warm day and snow  
Apr 3 still going. I went to Oak  
Lake afternoon in sleigh  
roads bare & dry in places  
and very heavy drawing, went  
by W.R. Smith & took him  
out also Errol Lape. Coming  
home came up our own road  
and horses got down on  
hill and I had to leave  
sleigh there & ride home  
on Rag. After tea Errol went  
back & with a rope & chain  
hauled sleigh into Henricks field  
came home all right

" 4. Errol cleaned oats, Alf. fin-  
ished taking away barley and  
got sheaves & hay. I rendered all  
the land today. Two miles here  
to see cattle. Had word from  
D.R. & peers was to take cattle down

(149)

- 1913 A warm day but got  
Apr 5 cooler towards night  
and wind east all day.  
Went to Oak Lake afternoon  
and brought Maggie home.  
She came up from Brandon  
W.R. also came up and I  
brought him home. Roads look  
so bad now and dug in places  
"7 Snowing all day from  
South east, a damp  
miserable day. Went to  
Oak Lake afternoon in  
democrat, snowed about  
four inches. Picked po-  
tatoes in cellar. Terra has  
a touch of pneumonia  
"8 Terra did nothing again today  
but is better tonight. Pretty cold  
and not much thawed yet. Picked  
potatoes in cellar all day

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- 1913 A fine warm day and snow  
Apr 9 went a lot water very high  
all over and lots on land. Terra  
cleared oats all day. Alf got  
harness and oat sheaves. Alf  
W. cleaned out steer pens  
yesterday. I finished  
picking her potatoes in cellar  
today.
- "10 A nice warm day Terra crushed  
and Alf cleared oats. Went to  
Oak Lake afternoon and roads are  
worse than they were the last time  
made them very muddy.
- "11 A nice warm day and  
snow went a lot, and ground  
is drying up fine. Terra & I  
clipped two horses forenoon  
and after Maggie & I went to J.  
Littles. Alf. Cleared oats & Terra  
crushed

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1913 A very hot day nearly  
Apr 12 as hot as July. Errol  
cleaned out until noon, then  
he & I clipped horses. Alf  
got hay straw & then  
cleaned horse afternoon.  
Snow all gone and found  
dry my food. W.R. went to  
Oak Lake got over mail and  
also a drake that Kell-  
ville sent up.

\* 17 On Monday April 14<sup>th</sup> I went  
with our cattle out to Gisimold  
and took them down to Mppj.  
got loaded at Gisimold on  
14<sup>th</sup> at 2 P.M. and did not leave  
there until near four got to  
Brandon at 2<sup>nd</sup>, Dave Henderson  
was along with a car load of  
hops, we did not get away  
from Brandon until Tuesday

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1913 morning at one o'clock and did  
not reach Mppj. until ten o'clock  
on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> very hot all day  
14<sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> nearly as hot as July. D.  
Henderson sold his hops at one and  
came back on train Tuesday night  
I did not get mine sold until near  
night and stayed in Mppj. all  
night and came home Wednesday  
reached Oak Lake at 8:20  
and Errol met me and took me  
home. Today I went up to Virden  
as the 8:20 train had some business  
there and came home on the  
3:30. Errol and Alf had been  
on land harrowing & plowing  
all day, the first work we  
have done. A lot cooler and  
wind strong from north all  
day.

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1913 A cool wind from north  
Apr. 18 Sun clear & horse clear and warm  
all day. Errol plowed all day  
south of fallow, Alf. harrowed  
forenoon and raw scuffler  
on corn ground with four  
horses. I went to Oak Lake  
afternoon and brought home  
a fore carriage for packer  
I also brought home four young  
Englishmen one of them stays  
with us for a month at  
\$25<sup>00</sup> and J. Laidler came  
after other three. Mr. Brunner  
borrowed our wagon today  
to take some calves to Oak  
Lake and brought home  
some oil & grease for us.  
We will try and do some  
feeding next Sunday

(154)

1913 A fine warm day. Errol  
Apr 19 & Alf. plowed all day  
near Careys. New man  
ran Cultivator on corn ground.  
He hopped around and cleared  
wheat. Maggie went to Oak  
Lake afternoon. Grace &  
Twins went to Uncle John's  
" 21 A hot day as warm as  
July. I got tickets on to packer  
and fixed some at stable  
forenoon and afternoon, I went  
to Oak Lake with 11½ bushels  
of wheat & oats. have some  
plows. Errol plowed all day  
and finished all that can be  
done for water well to Careys.  
Alf. plowed forenoon and  
horse raked corn ground  
afternoon

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1913 A very cold day wind N.W.  
Apr 22 I burnt corn stocks fire  
wood, Dad ran scuffer after,  
Errol ran scuffer forenoon  
and began to sow wheat  
after that is the first wheat  
we have sown this season  
Alf. ran packer forenoon  
and plowed piece in pasture  
after. I went to Oak Lake  
tonight and such a man  
that Elkin of Brandon  
set up he is hired for a  
month at \$750<sup>00</sup>

" 23 A cold north wind all  
day and cold enough for snow  
It will freeze some tonight.  
Errol drilled all day. Alf. plowed  
piece in pasture near school.  
Dad ran scuffer all  
day in fallow.

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1913 A cold day wind very  
Apr 24 snowy and dust blowing  
all day. Errol drilled on  
fallow, Alf. finished plowing  
piece in pasture, then did  
headland in fallow field, & got  
load manure to garden. Arthur  
ran packer on spring plowing  
near Careys. I went to Oak  
Lake afternoon with Frank  
& Billy in Democrat, water  
over road south of Harrison  
when I was coming home, so  
I guess that is last trip  
with rig for awhile.

" 25 A cold day, few snow  
stray bush still it was very  
cold wind from north west.  
Errol sowed on south so all day.  
Alf. got sheaves & hay forenoon  
and after he plowed on

(157)

1913 Sown for wheat, Arthur  
harrowed piece in pasture  
twice. I went to see George  
Harvey after noon, he is  
not any better.

Apr 26 A keen cold wind all  
day. Carroll finished seeding  
in the 80 acres and also  
got the seven acres in pas-  
ture seeded. Arthur har-  
rowed & disked & packed the  
piece in pasture then went  
to Seven and packed some  
there. Alf. plowed on Seven  
all day for wheat.

Wind 5.8 all the time  
and blowing pretty hard.  
River coming up all the  
time. Errol Carey boat  
our mail today, but only  
a few teams went over

(158)

1913 Very hot today and horses  
~~Apr 28~~ sweat. Carroll harrowed  
at the 80 acres of wheat today  
acres, both men plowed for  
wheat on Seven, I worked in  
garden and trimmed raspberry  
brushes. George mare sick  
with Colic but got better.  
Herrmann here on Bicycle  
29 A windy day blowing hard  
from S.E. and got N.C. very  
wet and very cold, it was  
nice & warm forenoon, Carroll  
packed on Seven all day,  
only seeded a little while.  
men both plowed. I went  
to E Williams afternoon  
crossed in boat and got  
to Oak Lake, river very  
high and I got home at  
8.30 brought ~~every~~ all for

(159)

1913 Very cold all day. I  
Apr 30 chores around house  
Errol packed & dilled wheat  
on Seven. Bob Brown plowed  
J. R. Kennedy but. over our  
Mail today

May 1 Two teams plowing on Seven  
for wheat and Errol harrowed  
I chores at home but have  
such a sore back can hardly  
do anything

" A cold day a keen wind  
from N.E. all day. Our two teams  
plowed on Seven all day and  
Charlie Smith plowed there also  
Errol packed. I went to Oak  
Lake afternoon, and did not get  
home until near dark had  
to wait on boats on account of  
so many people coming

(160)

1913 Jean & Minnie both foaled  
May 3 last night two horse colts,  
So today Alf. plowed on Seven  
and Errol dilled there. Arthur  
finished harrowing the 80 acres  
of wheat at home and began  
to harrow across wheat land on  
Seven he had three horses. A heavy  
fall of rain this evening.

5 A fine day had a little  
dibble of rain forenoon, but  
not much, and it was a  
pleasant day. I worked in  
Garden all forenoon and  
afternoon I took plow  
points over to J. Carpenter to  
get sharpened as blacksmith was  
out from Oak Lake. Alf. plowed  
garden afternoon & ran scuffler a  
raspberry. Arthur crushed and  
Errol packed & dilled

(161)

1913 Chilly today, fine  
May 6 at times but we had  
some very heavy wind and  
some soft snow at times.  
Men finished seed plowing  
for wheat on Seven at noon  
then packed harrowed &  
got red grass hay moved  
home today, Grace & I  
went to Oak Lake after  
noon.

" 7 A fine day but wind  
cold from N.E. I sowed  
in garden today & hoed  
generally. Errol harrowed  
wheat on Seven all day.  
Arthur finished plowing,  
some sloughs in wheat field.  
Calf began plowing for  
cows. Mr. Osterhout here  
tonight.

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1913 A fine day I took her  
May 8 Osterhout to farm fore-  
noon. Afternoon I helped  
J. Carpenter clean 34 bush.  
of wheat he got for seed.  
Errol finished harrowing  
wheat across on Seven.  
Alf. plowed in corn ground  
and Arthur hauled straw  
from flat pile & spread it  
" 9 Arthur and I forked over  
the play straw today but did  
not finish it. Alf. plowed  
for corn and Errol sowed the  
slough places in eighty acres  
with a seat and harrowed  
them then he began packing  
the corn from d. Cold all  
day, wind E.E. and feels like  
rain, but just a few minutes  
all day.

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1913 Errol finished plow in all  
May 9<sup>th</sup> the corn ground that

as plowed and then harrowed  
some, he went to Oak Lake  
afternoon and got home at  
dark, Gates falling and  
some teams crossed at

Re. Williams today, but had  
to go through a lot of water  
and it is not safe yet.

Arthur & I got all straw turned  
over at noon and he plowed  
for oats or dinner after, Alf  
finished plowing for corn  
tonight. Cecil Casen from  
Brandon yesterday, he is  
through Business College and  
went back to Brandon to-  
night as he has a job  
in a grocery store there.  
Cold all day

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1913 Cold all day wind north & very  
dry May 12 Cool. Errol packed & harrowed  
corn ground. Both teams plowed  
on Seven for oats it goes well  
as the rain yesterday wet ground  
well

" 13 A cold day Errol packed  
on Seven all day only for a few  
hours in evening when he saded  
Both men plowed for oats on  
Seven all day. Went to Oak

Lake afternoon, went over  
in buggy with Re. Williams  
lunk down back in boat

" 14 Sear in Seven all day  
with sore back. Both men  
plowed on Seven until noon  
and Errol saded oats. It  
rained a little all afternoon  
and were finished clipping  
horses

(165)

1913 My back some better  
May 15 today and afternoon  
I chores around. Two  
teams plowed all day  
and George packed  
seeded  
" 16 I went to E Williams  
forenoon and got some  
links of chain that a  
Stewart sent in for our  
drill. Three teams plowed  
forenoon and George  
packed seeded after.  
I forked over flat straw  
and got some of it burnt.  
Coal all day and for  
a few hours this evening  
some rain fell but  
not enough to stop  
work

(166)

1913 A miserable kind of a day  
May 17 Sun & some heat most  
of the time it was cloudy damp  
& raining, very little fell but  
enough so we could not burn  
straw. Two men plowed all  
day, George drilled in oats  
I forked over straw & burnt  
it. Queen foaled last night  
a big horse colt but it has  
a lump on his travel, so I  
sent for vet but he does not  
know what is wrong and  
we are putting iodine on it.  
" 19 I went to Oak Lake forenoon,  
Hancy drove down here & I put her  
horse with pony and drove out across  
Harrison bridge, boat not running  
now. Afternoon I worked at flat  
straw and got some of it burnt,  
men plowed & packed for oats

(167)

1913 Kept raining a little all  
May 20 day not much fell but  
it kept at it and teams did  
not go out to work at all.  
Carroll did some crushing, new  
clipped all the sheep and  
picked over potatoes in the  
cellar. I went to Oak Lake  
afternoon got horse shod  
and other blacksmith work  
done & harness fixed

" 21 Two men plowed on Seven  
for oats and nearly finished  
Alf brot. his place home  
Carroll packed & drilled.  
I went to Oak Lake afternoon  
with Remond and G. H. Giese  
to attend Quarterly meeting  
we had a good meeting I came  
home with V. R. and did not  
reach home until seven

(168)

1913 A splendid hot day and  
May 22 good growth. Alf hauled  
off flax straw all day.  
Remond packed & drilled oats  
Arthur finished plowing for  
oats on Seven at ten & began  
at flax ground on fire. I  
have a very sore back and  
did nothing. J. Carey brought  
a hundred bushels of oats  
got sixty of them

" 23 A fine dry day but  
rained a little last night  
Alf got all straw from flax setting  
and got it plowed & harrowed.  
Carroll finished sowing oats on  
Seven & got some packing done  
at home. Arthur plowed for flax  
I went to Oak Lake afternoon  
to attend Directors meeting Ag. S.  
had to go through Gorman field

(169)

1913 A holiday in various cities  
May 24 I guess. Errol finished  
running Cultivator over Corn  
ground and got some seed.  
Alf. harrowed oat ground  
east west or seven all day  
and always half finished  
it. Arthur plowed for flax  
all day. I picked over potatoes  
forenoon and cut 200 for  
seed after. Melville came up  
from Brandon today and  
Johnnie Kennedy brot him  
out from Oak Lake

" 26 The first real hot day we  
have had for a long time  
and it was a scorcher  
today. Errol got all corn in  
and some flax ground packed  
Alf. finished harrowing oat  
or seven. Arthur plowed for flax

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1913 I took Melville out to Oak  
Lake and he went back to  
Brandon. I also cut some  
potatoes for seed. W. R. Smith  
took out three steers to Oak  
Lake on wagons to sell

May 27 A fearful hot day it was  
so hot we could hardly work.  
I cut potatoes forenoon and after,  
Errol & Alf. planted them in the  
hot sun, Errol packed raw  
<sup>crushed</sup> flax ~~ground~~ forenoon and Alf plowed  
them Arthur plowed for flax  
all day and I plowed with  
Errol's team afternoon

" 28 A lot of thunder & lightning  
last night and some rain.  
Cool forenoon but nearly unbearably  
hot after. Errol & Alf. finished  
planting potatoes at noon. I drove  
team packing & plowing flax ground

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1913 forenoon. Errol drilled  
some flax in afternoon, Alf.  
harrowing flax ground afternoon  
and Arthur plowing there all  
day. Looks like rain tonigh  
and I hope something comes  
to cool air.

May 29<sup>th</sup> A fine day very hot  
Sun but a good breeze all  
day. Errol drilled flax until  
noon broke drill and packed  
sploured after. Arthur plowed  
all day for flax. Alf. harrowed  
flax ground and also gave  
out potato from one stock.  
Hoffie went to Oak Lake  
forenoon and got back  
tonight. I got pork up  
from cellar and hung in gran-  
ary I also got the screens  
on

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1913 A very hot sun but a  
May 30 stay wind from N.W.  
all day. Errol sowed flax  
with J. Carpenters drill some  
broke ours. Arthur plowed  
all day & Alf. harrowed, packed  
sploured. Alf. & I went over to  
A. L. Harvey's at noon, he got  
on voters list and I got on  
the hill

" 31 Errol finished seeding flax  
today and took home his  
Carpenters drill. Alf. finished  
plowing for flax at noon and  
plowed Alfalfa ground after  
noon for barley. Arthur  
packed & harrowed flax ground  
all day. Went to Oak Lake  
afternoon & brought home a  
new single biffy

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1913 Father is 40 years dead  
June 2<sup>nd</sup> today and brother Tom  
is 56 years old. Very windy  
all day but hot as sun shone  
clear. I took out 38 bushels  
of wheat forenoon & sold at  
80¢ then in afternoon I  
disced in Alfalfa ground  
Errol cleaned barley all  
day. Alf. plowed Alfalfa  
where we intend sowing barley  
Afternoon harrowed field.  
Gislerville came home tonight  
Dinner out after him  
• 3 I ~~harrowed~~<sup>disced</sup> alfalfa ground  
and corn ground today. Alf  
finished plowing alfalfa  
ground & got a little done  
for barley. After dinner plowed  
for barley forenoon, Errol  
cleaned barley for seed

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1913 Afternoon Errol & the  
two men hauled in oat sheaves  
from stack over in loft.  
June 4 A fine day not too hot  
although sun & haze bright,  
I finished harrowing corn and  
noas. Errol & men got all oats into  
loft at noon and the two men  
placed with long plows  
for barley afternoon. Errol  
Grace & I went out to Oak  
Lake after noon to get train.  
" 5 Rained a heavy shower last  
night and we had a big storm  
of thunder & lightning. Very  
windy all day Errol  
dusted barley on Alfalfa for  
now and after rain to Gislerville  
to a funeral. Both men plowed  
all day I packed afternoon  
Had to have fire in room long

(175)

1913 A fine day cool and  
June 6 pleasant although sun  
shone bright & clear all day.  
I mixed grass seed & barley  
when I had time today, in  
afternoon went over to  
Senns and picked up some  
roots off crop. Herol milled  
barley all day. Then plowed  
& packed. Haffie & Muriel  
went to J. S. Littles tonight  
"7 A fine day. Herol milled in  
barley until noon then crushed  
after, then both plowed. I  
sowed Brione seed by hand  
forenoon and went to Oak  
Lake after, took Muriel out.  
Melville came from Brandon  
and we boat. Then home.  
Herol sown brot home hull  
yesterday

(176)

1913 Very windy all day but  
June 9 sun shone clear & warm.  
Alf. did not come until noon  
as he was sick, and in afternoon  
soil to be cultivated & harrowed  
among trees. I drove team  
plowing for barley all day  
Arthur plowed also. Herol  
packed & drilled.  
"10 A fearful windy day, a regular  
hurricane all day. I had fore-  
noon and after went to Oak  
Lake in buggy. Alf. worked  
among trees nearly all day.  
Arthur packed barley ground  
& began to place for Alfalfa.  
Herol milled barley until noon  
then it was too windy for that  
so he crushed, he took  
Melville out tonight and  
the latter went to Brandon

(179)

1913 A fine day but a good  
June 11 strong breeze from  
N.E. I hoed in garden  
all day. Ferrol drilled in  
the barley grass seed all  
day and both men plowed  
at Alfalfa ground.  
Maggie went to Ladies  
Aid at A. P. Cairns  
today

" 12 A fine day pretty  
windy after noon but  
only enough to keep it  
cool as Sun was scorching  
I hoed in garden all afternoon  
and forenoon I  
finished sowing Begue  
on sandy knolls in barley  
Ferrol finished drilling  
barley & began to harrow  
it areas when plowed last

(178)

1913 A very hot day. Took  
June 13 out 32 bushels of  
wheat forenoon also took  
a walk and he is leaving  
afternoon I hoed in garden  
Ferrol finished harrowing  
barley & then began at  
Alfalfa ground. Alf. fin-  
ished plowing the ground  
& packed them, Melville  
Came home tonight

" 14 A very hot day all signs  
of rain gone again and we  
never required it much more  
alf & Ferrol finished har-  
rowing & packing at noon  
then Alf. sown Alfalfa soil  
and Ferrol went for loan  
wood. I took out 33  $\frac{1}{2}$   
bushels wheat after noon  
& took home a cow & calf

(179)

1913 A very hot day  
June 16 Terrell went for load  
of wood to In Bettos.

Alf. sowed Alfalfa  
Soil & harrowed all.  
Day hot much sun  
afternoon now.

" 17 Dull this day, and  
we had a some rain  
all forenoon, but not  
much fell. I went to  
Griswold forenoon in  
hurry then picked over  
potatoes in cellar after.  
Terrell ran scuffler in  
Corn until two o'clock  
when land got wet and  
he came in. Alf. and he  
cleaned oats & barley  
afternoon

(180)

1913 A dull dark day sun  
June 18 did not shine until near  
night, began to rain about  
four o'clock and kept at it  
for an hour and a half  
but only slowly and very  
little fell, we have not  
had enough yet to bring up  
late grain. Alf. got out ashes  
and some manure today.  
Terrell ran scuffler in Corn  
forenoon and sowed Alfalfa  
after. I hoed among trees fore-  
noon and ran Scuffler  
after.

" 19 A very hot day, I cultivated  
Corn all day. Terrell sowed  
alfalfa and Alf. hauled out  
manure in wagon forenoon and  
after he went to H. Idles and  
got his spreader.

(181)

1913 A very hot day, I  
tried to scuffled corn fore-  
noon, expert came out to  
try and make Cultivator  
work but made it very  
little better, only six more  
rows to do. Tom began  
to plow fallow, it is as  
dry as a board, no sign  
of rain and we used it  
very badly. Alf. got out  
ten loads of manure.

" 21 A very hot day and at  
eight this evening it rained  
a small shower but nothing  
of any account. Some good  
rains have gone around today.  
Alf. hauled manure all  
day. Tom plowed fallow  
with five horses. I finished  
Cultivating Corn at noon and  
put out Jopher poison

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1913 Fearful hot all day  
June 23 I put out jopher  
poison forenoon and  
went to Oak Lake after  
with plow and waited  
on 7.45 train to bring  
Kielville home. Got home  
ten o'clock a very heavy  
thunder storm, tonight just  
after we got home and  
we had the best rain  
we have had this year  
" 24 A fearful hot day,  
so close and hot at times  
we could hardly breathe  
Kielville ran manure fore-  
noon on Seven and after he  
went to Oak Lake for plow.  
I put out poison for jophers,  
Tom plowed fallow, Alf  
hauled manure. Could stand  
a rain every day

(183)

1913 A cool day wind blew  
June 25 from N.W. all day and  
it was pleasant working.  
Errol plowed fallow all  
day. Alf. hauled manure  
stacked in Corn. Melville  
cut pasture and sown also  
alfalfa at home. Boys  
gone to Careys tonight.  
26 A dull dark day and  
sprinkled rain half a  
dozen times during day but  
nothing worth while fell.  
Errol plowed fallow all  
day. Alf. hauled and man-  
ure, Melville & I cleaned  
oats & barley all day.

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1913 Strong wind from east  
June 27 all day and looks like  
rain, clouds & sun did not  
shine. Melville cleaned grain  
all day. Alf. finished man-  
ure and took spreader to  
H.L. Todd's. Errol plowed  
all day. I drove to Kenney  
took train from there to  
Brandon. Got back home  
at 11.30 tonight. Lightning  
all around and very little  
rain as I go to bed.  
28 A fine day. Errol  
plowed all day. Melville  
& Alf. finished cleaning  
grain got some crushed  
hot and good growing  
meat this

(185)

1913 A very windy day and  
July 30 very cool. Mel-  
ville crushed all day

and we got his food loads  
over to stables. Alf. &  
Gerrab got home from loads  
of lumber for framing  
today. I ran scuffer  
in Corn all day.

Had a few flurries of  
rain but nothing much.  
Cecil came home tonight

July 1st A cool day at times  
sometimes sun hot but all  
though it was pretty cool  
I ran scuffer in corn all  
day. Gerrab, Melville & Alf. went  
to sports in Oak Lake. Cecil  
stayed at home until noon  
and then went to Oak Lake  
he went back to Brandon

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1913 tonight, Melville also went  
to Brandon to work for  
Stover Co.

July 2nd Cool all day wind  
strong from east and we had  
a heavy shower of rain  
about 4:30 I went to Oak  
Lake forenoon. Alf. plowed  
some pieces with walking  
plow and afternoon he  
hoed in Corn. Gerrab plowed  
fallow. I ran cultivator  
in Corn afternoon

3 hours to Oak Lake forenoon  
and took tools, brot. home cul-  
tivator with me and after  
noon ran it in Corn and fin-  
ished the corn the second time  
Gerrab plowed fallow all day  
and Alf. forenoon then Alf.  
hoed in Corn after.

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1913 Coab & dark forenoon  
July 4 I hoed in Corn, Alf.  
raw scuffles in potatoes.  
After noon he hoed in  
Corn I went to Oak Lake  
Errol plowed fallow all  
day. Began to raw at  
three o'clock and kept  
at it all afternoon the  
least rain we have had  
yet

" 5 A fine day but every-  
thing kept wet until noon  
after rain yesterday. Errol  
plowed all day. Alf. cleaned  
up yard forenoon and  
worked in corn after.  
I wrote letters forenoon and  
went to Oak Lake after.  
Looked like rain afternoon  
and a little fell but not much

(188)

1913 Lots of thunder storms  
July 7 went around today  
and seemed to be lots of  
rain North but we did  
not get any. Very hot at  
times. I cut thistles in  
fallow forenoon and went to  
Oak Lake afternoon and got  
mower fixed. Maggie & I went  
up to W. C's bridge to see Anna  
Armstrong. Errol plowed in  
fallow all day, and Alf.  
hoed in Corn.

" 8 A fearful windy and sun  
shone hot all day besides  
I am home and Slough hay  
all day. Errol finished  
fallow and crushed a little  
Alf. hoed in Corn. A new man  
Ditchard started at evn  
he hoed Corn also

(189)

1913 A fine day pretty hot  
July 9 and close at times. Tom  
crushed nearly all day and  
got all crushed that was in  
granary. I raked hay south  
of house in lawn and Tom  
got it in at night. Alf worked  
on road all day. hem man  
Pritchard finished hoeing  
in corn and began at  
thistles in flat. Maggie  
Alma & I went up to see  
bridge timber cedar Co.  
Chadbourne, we had tea  
at Mrs Dickson and also  
called to see Mary Little.