

in the garden till five. I then started to do chores and by leaving the stables for Shuby to clean out and not cleaning any horses but Belle & Harry I managed to get into the field a very few minute after seven. I worked steadily all day although I slept a little at the same time I got it all cross disked by after four o'clock and about half of it rolled. Dad got out about half past eight this morning and finished crossing with the diamond tooth and harrowed it all over with the drags by six to night. It made quite a long day for his team and Ginger seems pretty tired but Harry apparently is all right. Shuby is going to try and get Bill Clarks to come over and mark it for us in the morning and we hope to get it planted. Quite chilly all morning & windy but sunny and pretty hot after dinner. Frank has gone down to the shore to-night.

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Shuby and Bill came over this morning at seven o'clock and Bill and I got right out and started to mark the corn ground. We took Harry & Belle and they proved to be a great improvement on Harry and me as a corn marking team. Bill made a beautiful job of it, with very little blasphemy. He got through a little before noon and stayed here to dinner.

He said no other man but Dad would have got him to day as he was very busy, and has to be back this afternoon. He should have come away this morning but George Gamble relieved him. They are putting the canopy top on the new launch that he and George have just finished building for George Faulmby. Frank scoured the country this morning in search of corn planters, we have one of our own and we wanted two more. He got one from John Wess which proved very satisfactory, and one from Gipper which proved very unsatisfactory. It was an ancient and decrepit looking instrument with one handle and a spring and fast at the bottom to open it and release the corn. Shuby took John Wess's and after he got his out had no trouble at all. Dad took our own and it was all right, but I got Gipper's and had to quit about the fourth hill, the corn came out from all over it, so I left it and went over to Alfred's, to harrow his. I went through Dan's place but he didn't have one. He said he borrowed Charlie M & Green's two years ago and it was a good one. Alfred gave me one which he said was a dandy. I brought it home but couldn't do any thing with it, so traded with Dad. He worked it awhile but at last decided it was no good. By this time it was about half past four and he decided to go up and do chores so Shuby and I stayed there till about eight o'clock when we