

to go up so Dad didn't get out at all this morning and I didn't till about nine. When Dick got up he felt very miserable and was bound to go to work but they persuaded him not to so he lay down and slept most of the day and Dad on his way to Duncan's stopped in and told Wiggins. Shuly and Dad started for Duncan's but met old Bill who told them the ^{cow} ~~horse~~ was all right. I got over the field once lengthwise with the disks and started to go again and Dad gave it a good harrowing this afternoon. Shuly took my team for a while after dinner while I got a nest ready to set a hen. Sam Law came over and harrowed the drill at noon, he has his pieces about in shape. Mrs. M^c Bride was here washing all day. To night I went down to hand practice and didn't get to bed till eleven. Lovely day sunny and not too hot.

Tuesday May 19th

I was up at four again this morning, the way I managed I wind the alarm clock up so as it will ring for quite awhile and set it over on the bureau where I can't reach it from the bed. Then in the morning it makes such a clatter that I can't stand the noise so have to get up to smother it and once I'm up I stay up although I felt pretty tough for

awhile this morning. Try as we did we weren't able to get in the field before eight, but we got both teams started about the same time and got a pretty good day in I finished the field lengthwise and got more than half over it crosswise. Dad harrowed it both ways and is now following me down crosswise with the harrows. He thinks when we get done that way, it will be in good shape to drill. It was a hard day on the poor little team, they all tried to eat to-night. I had to make several trips to the ditch to wash my eyes off with cold water and keep them from going to sleep. Old Bluch plodded up and down after the disks all day long. Once I took the little team and harrowed to keep awake when I wasn't near the ditch and poor Bluch was badly puzzled. He didn't know which one of us to follow. Sam Law brought the drill back and left it in the field. Dye drilled his piece in to-day. I set two hens to night on thirty eggs. Shuly worked around here and helped mind Fiddens all day. Dick felt better to-day but didn't go to work. He went down town this afternoon to get his teeth fixed and didn't feel quite so well to-night. Cars-Rankin went by here to-day with an automobile they just bought. They have started to take down the dam bridge. They are going to put up a new ~~stone~~ one. It has been a nice day but pretty hot.