

working all week so we didn't ride them hard. we went down the Lake Shore to Corbett's, but Corby didn't go with us. when we got home Enah, Dad & ~~Liddum~~ had gone back to the gully for a walk. Cool & rather cloudy all day but no rain.

Monday May 3rd

Dad. cleaned the ditches in the barley field most of the morning but didn't quite finish them. Enah, Liddum & I went down town in the lumber wagon as Enah wanted to get some oil cloth for our bedroom and some other stuff. We got a post angle at James', he said it was the best kind he knew of but it was just like Nyasi. When we got back Dad. and I gathered up the good posts that we pulled the other day from the fence bottom between the barley & corner fields and took them back to the gully to fix the cross fence. On our way back we gathered up the other posts that were pulled and what rubbish there was and brought it up to the house.

This afternoon Dad let the cattle back the lane and we went back with them to fix fence. we were back there most of the afternoon and got soaking wet as we were out in the biggest part of a cold rain, but we put in four posts and got the fence fixed fairly well. The cattle as soon as they got out instead of gorging themselves on grass took a walk around

every fence to see if there was any place where they could get out. Mary who Dad. let out of the barn for the first time this morning didn't know what grass was and was afraid of the mud hole in the lane so didn't go back with the others, but I think she will soon be acquainted with the outside world. Charlie Leunberg was in on his way home from his farm to night, he said Steve Powell hadn't heard anything from Cecil since the big battle so they suppose he wasn't in it, the last letter they got from him he was in the hospital with pneumonia which he contracted after spending forty eight hours in the trenches.

I saw Herb. Cooks this morning and he informed me that in retaliation for the sudden death of his pet rabbit he was going to shoot Bluch the next time he came around his place. I told him to go ahead and shoot him. Cloudy and a cold east wind to-day. It rained all the after-noon and evening but will likely do good.

Tuesday May 4th

Dad. and I went back to the gully to finish fixing fence but while we were back there John Wess came along to ask Dad. about a cow that stood around and didn't eat but quanted. Dad. told him to give her a dose of salts but he said he did so we went back with him to see her. We had a look at her and then turned her out for a while.