

preparation along and it has absorbed all the spare  
minutes. Dad. Has kept the plow going steadily and  
Friday night had about an acre to plow but Lloyd  
Russell told him that Colin was coming up with the  
tractors to finish it for him so Dad. got in a day  
hicking yesterday. Colin come yesterday afternoon  
and plowed till they had to stop for a thunder storm  
but finished all but what Dad. would have had to  
plow any way. I have kept rolling and harrowing  
after him with the little team and the chores have  
kept me busy as we are out of hay now and have  
to rake grass for the stuff that is in with the scythe.  
Mary has recovered sufficiently to go down to County  
to stay for a few days. I drove her down this morning  
when I went to Sunday school and went down again  
last night. she is feeling much better. Frank hasn't  
done any thing yet but feels well and thinks he will  
start working this week. Roy came to stay over to day  
last night. He hates Detroit but is glad to be at work  
County is under the weather to day with a bad tooth  
and Sid is in bed with what we thought was  
mumps although he seems all right to night. The

little romance which has been developing since Tom  
& Mark employed their young house keeper about three  
weeks ago was brought suddenly to a head on Thursday  
when Tom married her. Thursday morning we  
saw both Tom & Mark in the field with their teams  
and later saw Tom's team standing idle and Tom  
going to town with Charlie Butler, about one o'clock Tom  
walked through here on his way home and told us  
he had got in with Charlie when he went past &  
gone down town to buy the license having borrowed  
money enough from Mark, he couldn't get one in Dover  
so had to go to Lincoln after it. He told me and I fancy  
nearly every one else he met, to keep it under my hat  
but he was going to marry the little girl at four o'clock  
that afternoon. Mr. Johnson (who was back then went to  
gather up some of his stuff.) was coming out to do the  
trick and Lotie Smith to help Mark witness it. Lotie  
didn't get out though and Charlie Butler & Mark were the  
only others present at the ceremony. About five o'clock  
I saw Mr. & Mrs. Tom driving to Dover on their honeymoon  
to get some groceries, and both teams were at work  
again the next morning. Charlie Butler was around