

going up to Simcoe and was beginning to thunder and lightning just as we were ready to start home but we thought we would take a chance on being caught so got all ready to start back, however just as we were ready to get into the buggy it began to pour down and for the next two hours we had a storm that would equal in its fury any of the worst of the 1915 models. It sounded terrible on the tin roof of Berts barn where we were. and I was a little scared although she didn't make any fuss but I could tell by the way she put her nose in my face and lanes that she wondered what it all meant. After the first spasm was over we looked out and the sky in the north was all a deep red so we knew that some body's barn a long way out of town was struck, but when the next burst of rain came the red light disappeared. We waited there till the storm was over and got home before two o'clock, the roads weren't muddy but were washed bare and packed hard.

Wednesday June 12th

I didn't get up very early this morning and Dad. went back after the cows. He was in a great state of despondency

over the storm, he thought every thing would be ruined and he says there are lakes all over the corn field so that it will be all drowned out. Edmond England was over last night to invite us to a bee at the school house to level the grounds so I went over about ten o'clock. that wasn't as late as I thought for they all work on the old time out there. I found a big bunch there with scrapers and plows and there was really more men than there was work but I hung around all day filling scrapers and shovelling a little but principally visiting. I intended to come home at noon and tell Dad. what more they needed so that he could come this afternoon but as Dave Loupkin invited me to dinner and I didn't think there was any use of any more coming I didn't go home. Jeff was down on Monday and staked all the levels out for them and by to night they had it in very nice shape. Dad. and Frank just did odd jobs and Chares as it was too wet to do much. Aunty was over here to dinner I went down town to night. Cloudy with strong & cold wind.

Thursday June 13th

I went over to John Weses this morning and