

FRIDAY, APRIL 22, 1870.

Started the plough again to day in the potatoe patch, in order to have time.

I have hired Will. B. Caselway six months at seven dollars per month. This with his month on trial will make seven. He wanted me to keep him another month or until he could get another place, by the year, but this I could not do.

How varied are the means which our Heavenly Father uses to promote our spiritual growth. To day no great journey has been, of all other means most beneficial, while on other days the greatest blessing comes from reading the Word of

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The boy and I worked all morning the willows on the big flat this forenoon. While Charley has been ploughing all day.

I went out to Dover this afternoon. Found the roads in a fearful state. Rec'd word of the Horning cats which Smith & I sent for, an agreeable surprise.

The day has been just like a plowman's day.

My path seems to be on every side with difficulties so numerous and formidable do they appear that I sometimes feel every muscle cast down and disconcerted. I thank God that in the midst of these woes and temptations of life