

THURSDAY, JULY 21, 1870.

We have been cutting wheat to day in the orchard, or rather the boys have. I have done but little on account of the great blunder I made yesterday in pilling my wheat to that plan. I went out this morning to settle up and thought that the matter was through with but Henry came out a gain to night after me. He said that they were going to sue me for damages in not paying the storage. But I soon straightened this with the help of my deliverers.

FRIDAY, JULY 22, 1870.

Charley and I have been cutting barley with the reaper to day in the field by McWhider. Got it done in time to get in two loads of wheat. Henry had been helping me again to day. The night before last we were visited by an unusually heavy and severe thunder storm. One of our nearest neighbours had his barn burnt with lightning (Colonel Austin) & he had only just got it finished & his barn he had it insured for a considerable amount.