

Tuesday October 17th

It was too windy to do much this morning Dad split wood and I painted the labels for my plots and put them in. The wind picked up late drag that we had out at the corner to mix the cement on for the anchor posts and blew it right out on the road, later the cement part of below the ground and smashed into drag considerably. We then huck and wired up the gully gate on the road. This afternoon we had to haul stone for the road. We only got two loads hauled as we had to go down to Sam's and get his gravel box so were late getting to the car. Mary & I went to the picture show to night. It has been much colder to day and freezing ^{2/3 night} hard.

Wednesday October 18th

I was down at the car at half past seven this morning a half an hour before any of the teams came and got quite a lot of the stone shoveled out of the car. I worked in the car steadily till I got the one half all cleaned out but before I finished, they had dumped the other half and Willie should help me clean it out. I went down to County to dinner and this afternoon quit for a couple of hours to go up town with Bob Ross and then home with him to sell him a \$12.00 team. I then went out and worked till six on the road with the rest of them covering the stone

with earth, they put it on the side road at the bottom of our big hill. This was Frank's 18th birthday he went to Simcoe Fair this afternoon. Cold. They say Hummy Jones has deserted and about 30 more of the 183rd.

Thursday October 19th

We were all up early this morning awakened by whistles & the fire bell but as it was raining hard and the fire didn't look very big none of us went down. Frank heard that it was one of the trees either the "Two Friends" or the "Gambler" one was sunk and the other burned last night. It rained steadily all day not so hard towards evening as in the fore noon. We altered our plans a little about going to the Simcoe Fair, and I cut strips of tar paper to put around the little trees to protect them from the mice and then after noon painted pictures in my album. Tom was in for a long time this morning out of the rain but had to go out while it was pouring but Dad covered him up with water proof

Friday October 20th

I started to clean out the rest of the Chicken house this morning but it rained all the afternoon so we just sat around and read. Dad went down this morning and took a nail out of his big colts foot and Supper hung old Pete in this afternoon to have him lance an abscess on his shoulder.