

seems to be at fault. Krou part told them he would be down today but Sam is anxious to get his wheat cut and threshed before he goes out with the threshing outfit which he expects to have to about the end of the week. Dad. & Frank went over with Alan after dinner and they got things going with an binder when Krou part & the General Agent came along and they were there all the afternoon, put a new knocker on but it didn't work any better. At last they discovered that the tension set screw had been turned up as tight as it would go and that was what was causing all the trouble. Then they took a link out of one of the chains on our binder which was too loose and which Dad. never could tighten but it was past 6 o'clock or after before Dad. got home. However Dad. went out and raked up what hay was down and got it all up in wind row by about half past seven. Frank and I did up all the chores. I went down town right after dinner to get some coal oil and the mail and some cucumber plants from Hulby when I sat out when I got home. I don't know whether they will live or not as they were pretty big to move, but I also fixed some hills in the garden & planted seed in. To night Frank and I went over to Mr. Pheasant and got the bees they have been in the hive over a week. Percy Millman was down at Hulby to dinner to day, he came up to look for a cottage, he said that the rest were all coming up Friday in the car and Auntie was coming with them. Cloudy and warm all day.

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We were going to haul in what Dad. raked up last night right out of wind row but just as we got the team hooked up to draw the load that was on the barn floor out and un load it, we decided that it hauled so black it would pay to go and cock up as we could get more cocked up than we could load and it would be in fair shape while if left in wind row it would be an awful mess. We hadn't been out there an hour when it commenced to rain and rained pretty hard for the best part of the forenoon. After dinner Frank and I drove down town and got the mail they heard from Tim down at Hulby, he has typhoid all right but it has him running for sixteen days and they think the worst is over with. I went around to Howey's saw mill and found they had lots of stuff to build a colony house if I can only scraping money enough to buy it. When we got home Frank and Dad. went over to Law's to load the binder and bring it home but just nicely got there when it commenced to rain and poured for about two hours from four till six. I went out and separated the old tens from last year, I want to see if they are laying and if not I will kill them off. I went to bed early to night as I have started getting up earlier. I have come to the conclusion that an hour to read & write in the morning is worth about two at night. I got up at four this morning and got quite a lot done besides getting a good early start for the days work.