

May

TUESDAY 19

1874

Plowing and preparing ground for corn and rape.  
 Hauling manure on the  
 swamp ground and for  
 potatoes. Put the third  
 coat of paint on the  
 lumber wagon.  
 Turned the horses out to  
 grass for the first time  
 for all night.

WEDNESDAY 20

Spent the day at sheep  
 shearing. clipped 17 and  
 father's. the wool is very  
 clean and shears easily.  
 the heaviest fleece weighs 12 1/2  
 lbs. from a yearling ewe.  
 Bought a bell from an agent  
 @ \$10.00 weight 50 lbs  
 made in Markham, Ont  
 payable next January or before if we  
 choose

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THURSDAY 21

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Completed the wool clipping  
 will have about 240 lbs  
 off 29 sheep. the fleeces  
 of 4 old ewes were light.  
 Excepting which the average  
 will be 9 lbs. Was drilling  
 up the ground for the corn  
 and rape and sowing the  
 same. Weather dry and  
 cool

FRIDAY 22

Plowing the ground for  
 roots. It is pretty hard  
 but will work up finely  
 when freely harrowed.  
 Have nearly one acre of rape  
 sowed 5 lbs of seed, 3/4 of an acre  
 of American corn with 1 bushel  
 1/4 of an acre of Canadian corn  
 with a dozen ears. Spent  
 evening at Edmonton Lodge No 23.