

manure and ice, he saw Dad cracking ice with the hammer the other day and has been commenting on the action ever since. He is also developing the typical and apparently in heredity of young ones to play with the hammer. Frank found him in the chicken yard with it to-night but luckily he had not attacked the bee hive. Frank and Gant went far & trunk with the gun this afternoon and got a lot of chest nuts. I suppose at Charlie M^o. Queen's. The Jim Waddle family were in about five o'clock and as we hadn't got the mail yet, it was news when he told of a big snow storm out west two feet of snow in Calgary and McClouds and \$5,000 worth of property destroyed in the shape of god-yeo. It has been much cooler and cloudy all day, with rain but not much to-night. The wheat needs rain badly as it hasn't come up yet in the hard spots and on the head land which Dad plowed last.

Wednesday October 7th

We hauled manure all day and to-night got the yard all cleaned up and the field a little more than covered. It is the first time we have had the yard cleaned right up since we have been here. Hubby didn't come over till noon and then he brought Jimmy Rankin with him who proved very entertaining. Tila came over after school to stay all

night but changed her mind when Hubby went home and went with him. Alfred paid us a short visit this morning and also three dollars. Dad bought a couple of roosters from him to kill for Thanksgiving as ours are not big enough so Frank went down and got them this afternoon. This morning he took a walk down the road to see if he could see Hubby's old turkey hen but Mr. Johnson picked him up by Art Ryerson's and took him for a long ride down mud street and up the lake shore in his automobile. Frank didn't see the turkey but Mrs. Low told him it roosted right near their door every night and fed with the chickens in the mornings. Leah and Liddums went down to the Woodson's ^{this} afternoon and Leah invited Vernon over here on Friday. Frank has been making arrangements with Jona to get Nellie to-morrow as he and Gant want to go after nuts. Poor old Jona is having a bad time again with his "gutney's" and gant work very hard. It has been sunny and nice all day flies about

Thursday October 8th

Frank got started this morning about half past seven with Nellie and the democrat to call for Gant and go after nuts. Tila went with them Frank expected to get back soon after dinner, but they went all the way to Billington's after hazel nuts and didn't get back till after six. They got lots