

Monday April 28th.

This morning Dad and Toby packed the sawdust in around the edge of the ice house next to the creek where we sowed the oats and is now pretty and put some ~~some~~ blue grass on top. Then we went out and cleaned up about 20 bushels of oats. Frank was sick all day and did not go to school. I think he feels better now as he is taking a blue streak. After dinner Dad went out and cleaned out ditches in the north-west field, this side of the gulch. Toby did the chores in the afternoon and then went out and dug up two maple trees in the woods besides fooling around picking flowers. Between 4 and 6 o'clock while Frank was sleeping on the kitchen sofa and Epak was in the dining-room some unknown person came in and left a silver spoon on the kitchen table for Tiddeums with his initials carved on it and then went away before anyone saw her or him. It was cloudy and windy all day with about ten minutes sunshining.

Tuesday April 29th.

Dad has been opening up ditches all day out in the field well finished. I cut some wood this morning and then went back to the woods and dug up a couple of maple trees one of which I brought up at noon with me & we planted in place of one of the dead ones along the lane. This afternoon I dug up two more and Dad & I put out one of them to-night. The other two I left down in the creek so as the roots would not dry out. Frank has been home all day although he feels a bit better to-day but his cough is not better. Wyatt Wadd's cousin with the general agent for the Massey Harris Company and he found him self to be a good man for the company not only by persuading Dad to order a manure spreader, but Dad seemed to like him & showed him Queen who he thought like everyone else was perfect. We got the manure spreader on easy terms as we don't have to make a payment on it till a year from next fall when we pay \$8 dollars & 50 dollars a year for the next two years. Dick told us to-night that Spuby had got a job at the canning factory which they started work on to-day. He went down to the dance to-night. I only have five cents to my name so stayed home although I guess I could have got enough to take me down to the creek to get a cool drink.