

Intended to have gone to Simcoe this forenoon, and from there to the Quarterly meeting at Woodhouse Chapel. It has rained all day however, a cold disagreeable storm from the East, which has frozen as it came. Have not done very much as a consequence, except chores.

Mr. Smith came to make us a visit & so my time was occupied with him. The garden is well covered with ice & snow but particularly the former, and slighting is splendid. Sent Peter to the blacksmith shop to get another shoe.

Owing to almost incessant rain I did not get to Simcoe today though I intended so doing. I have been felling or ginning the cross cut saw, which has broken nearly all day. Peter has been splitting wood and doing chores &c.

Have had a great frost as the result of the present rains, already. The two drifts along our place have both gone. I mean the one at Chalklands & the one at Mr. Brides. The upper one went first and took the others with it as it went down stream. Had a long visit from James Stone to night.