

A Farmer I will Be. A song for Boys

1. I am a hale and hearty boy, as you would wish to see,
And often though a little chap, I think what I shall be?
Mechanic, Merchant, Sailor. ah, none of these for me!
If ever I should be a man, if ever I should be a man,
A Farmer, a farmer, a farmer I will be.
2. All scenes of nature I admire, none else so smiling seem
The shady nook, the flowery grove, and little silver stream
But those who lead a city life these beauties seldom see;
If ever I should be a man, if ever I should be a man
A farmer, a farmer, a farmer I will be.
3. I love to look at pleasant fields, I love the balmy breeze,
I love to hear the little birds, all warbling in the trees
And those who lead a country life such things as these ^{they} may
If ever I should be a man, if ever I should be a man
A farmer, a farmer, a farmer I will be.
4. I love to furrow up the ground, and cultivate the soil,
I love to see it springing forth, the good and luscious food;
For fields of wheat and corn indeed I dearly love to see;
If ever I should be a man if ever I should be a man
A farmer, a farmer, a farmer I will be.
5. I would not be a Doctor, hee sick to cure or kill;
I would not be a Lawyer, nee, to talk against my will,
I may not be a Preacher, tho' I like him of the three:
If ever I should be a man if ever I should be a man
A farmer, a farmer, a farmer I will be.

Th. 15th. Mutter helping Maria to plant potatoes they
finished planting. Father helping Noah blemens
to log. Fuel chopping. Robert and self at plow.

F. 16th. Logging in Roberts bush.

S. 17th. Logging in the morning & plowing in the
afternoon. Mothers Rose took.

M. 18th. Planted tobacco plants, and cabbage plants
plowing and dragging in the afternoon. Bought of
Iden my old spade for 60 cents not paid. Fuel
potatoes of Idens