

We sat talking about sundry things, till past 10 P.M. We had intended to make a 'shakedown' in the sitting room, but this our hostess would not think of, but prepared her own room for us.

Mich. 9. Friday, Stg. N.W. S.W. after 1 P.M.

Slept sound, up early 20 minutes after 5. & then off we went accompanied by Mr Taylor, to look at some land at the back of his, but we found it too swampy. After breakfast, we went out due N.W. across 200 acres belonging to Mr Liddon, let by him to Mr Hobbs. To look at a block of about 500 acres of untroughed land, very good if very good land, but difficult of access & if anything rather too swampy boggy being 5 to 6 ft deep with peat.

Back to Mr Taylor's about 11 A.M. Caught the old horse & fed him, dined abit, replenished ourselves with a 'little beer,' & then commenced about 12 A.M. our journey homewards. About 5 miles on, we stopped because we thought that from the peculiar screeching of the team wheel, something wrong. As out I got. 'Grip word, if the wheel ain't rate bad, W.C. what shall we do, how is it to a blacksmith?' You 5 miles

very near, W.C. 'How far to the next?' You about Ten miles W.C. Ah well, we must go on; As up we jump & off again on our journey, in the river we stopped for the purpose of cooling the wheel, drove into deep water, & whilst waiting, I doffed my clothes, & into the water sprang, quite elated with the opportunity of having a swim, just as I got out & commenced shelling. The wind changed round to the S.W. quite a change in the temperature, which told on me & made me feel quite stiff, but a little wine soon set me straight on we drove again, following our track back to chob, nothing of interest occurring, we arrived safe & sound at home about 5 P.M. tired & hungry & Mr Brown's sur, after ch. at St. John's. found all well.

Mich 10. Saturday. fine S.W. trade fair, week about the average.

Mich 11. Sunday, fine N.E. To school & ch as usual. Mr Jones came to the school in the afternoon & took my class whilst I marked the cards & gave them to the children. To St. John's in the evening discourse "The Character of Joseph." an excellent one too, He (Mr Han) never seems at a loss, his faith & firm trust in his God, carries him through