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oclock. S Rorke came up home with me. Pa and I drew in some corn from back. Looks some thing like rain.

**Sun. 16** We had a little shower of rain about Eight oclock am. Mirt and S Rorke and I all went out to Sunday School . Ida and Dan were over. Mr. Foster preached a serman to the Chosen Friend at the Carmen the church was filled all that could be seated comfortably. Then after supper Mirt and S Rorke and I went down to the Union to meeting. It was quite cold.

**Mon. 17** Pa and I cut and bound corn till noon. Then Pa cultivated the corn stubble over for wheat.

**Tue. 18** I went out and got Colman Wattams drill and sowed 8 bus of wheat and seeded the Second field on the flats. It is very dry and I don't think wheat will come up till there comes rain.

**Wed. 19** I helped Levi Hicks thrash in Robert Metcalf barn. Then come home and finished drilling in the rye 8 bus on the corn stubble back in the second field. Pa went to day to take a load of furniture for Dan up to West Lake where Dan has taken a farm to work on shers. Don't think I ever knew as dry a summer as we have has this year.

**Thur. 20** Well the rain has come at last. In rising this morning was much surprise to see it raining and has rain all day and is still raining yet to night. Jake and lib down to day for dinner. Took Maud up with him for a while to work.

- Submitted by Vicki Emlaw.

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cost thousands of dollars a year... families in which the one or two providers are working, have in many cases two or more jobs each to keep their heads above water. Their budget will not stretch to yet another major item of expenditure, so tragically they will be denied, under a two tier system, the best medical treatment that Canada can afford. Oh yes, they/we will have access to treatment, but like the UK and other countries who have adopted a two-tier system, that treatment WILL take months longer to access, and people will die in the process. That is not the Canada I voted for in the last election. If it is your vision Daryl then come clean and stop playing politics and being, along with your Party (no apologies for the pun) **SPIN DOCTOR IN THE PROCESS**. The two-tier system will be the slow death of Medicare in Canada!

Bill Yates,  
Friend of The County.

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that get hammered. If you were looking at the map, you'd find the action is over on the west side of the Fair Grounds. And if that isn't enough, proceed immediately south to the . . .

**Car Bash**

You won't even need a map to find this event. You can find it by the noise. By popular demand we are bringing back the car bash, with thanks to Minaker's Garage for providing us with the vehicle. While there are some age restrictions, a lot of kids – and quite a few adults – like to take up the sledge hammer, put on the safety goggles, and have a go. Although our satellite must suffer a quiver of fear at how we tackle one of its fellow machines, there's something about taking control over the mechanical age for just a few minutes that feels real good. So good that a volunteer reported seeing a couple of kids bashing away at the car with a tree branch after the Fair had closed down and the sledge-hammers were put away. There's something else that is good about this one. Funds raised from the car bash go to MADD.

**Tractor Pull**

As we scan our map and swing north to the top edge of the Fair Grounds, we'll see the largest collection of garden tractors / riding mowers outside an assembly line. They are all waiting in line for the Tractor Pull. John Lammes kindly makes his land available, and Bill Camp looks after getting the contestants, garden tractors and pulling sled together for the competition. There are several classes in this competition to ensure fairness, and it isn't just a matter of getting on the machine and "putting the hammer down". There's a real skill to getting everything moving properly. Bill plans to have a garden tractor available for those with no experience or without a ride, just so they can see how much fun it is to get into the event. So far there are no plans to take the worst garden tractor down the field to start a "tractor bash" next to the car bash

**Rain or shine**

Finally, whether the weather satellite picks up sunshine or rain over the Fair site on Fair Day, the Fair goes on. Our best recollection is that it's only rained once or twice over the past twenty or thirty years, and then not too hard. But maybe that's just memory speaking. Some Fair Board members thought that it would be tempting fate to mention 'rain or shine', but then this article is all about tempting you to join us at the Milford Fair on September 17.

- Charlie Vincent