

Stuke or Steuke

1758 August 1 (Tuesday). Adam here a little before sun sett to bind and stuke my Rye.

1759 August 10 (Friday). Mr. Gamel comes to Work, but comes in a great Frett; at which I was much grieved when he came to the House and shewed it here.... He and *Alex* finished the Rye at the Island. P.M. the Wheat at the Barn, and Steuked up the former.

1768 August 8 (Monday). It is a Time of Trouble and Loss with me by the frequent Rains. Several Acres of Rye reaped and exposed not only to the Weather, but Cattle, my Oxen and Cows have unhappily broke in upon the Stukes and torn them to Pieces.