

Adventures on the Scud - n.d.

My brother an[d] I owned a boat that we used to carry cargo down the river with but as soon as [*page break*] the railroad was built they hired us to carry baggage across the river so we went to work at it we worked steeperly at it till winter in the winter we too[k] the precaution to have everything ready for we had to look out for ice but early in the spring it became warmer and great cakes of ice came floating down [*page break*] but we jumped on th[e] cake of ice then some men saw us and came out and got us then we went to get the scud just as we hitche[d] on to it we heard a [crashing?] and fifty or more blanks and timbers came a taring onto the scud we dragged it to land the folks gave us the [ten dollars? *MS. faded*] for the lumber and so we hired five men to fix our boat
by AW Nelson