

helped Mary make valentines for her kids. It has been sunny to day but a very cold wind it is freezing hard to night but a lovely night. moonlight and still.

Monday February 14th

Dad took Cuck down to the James this morning and Dick & Frank went at the same time. Cuck took the baby with her. When Dad got back we took a hind quarter of the pig down to Auntie Alice & Dad cut it up partly for her. It was nearly noon when we got back. I went to sleep in the chair after dinner and didn't wake up till about three o'clock. Then Dad and I went out and sacked up the wheat which was in the big barn and hauled it over to the old barn as we had to make two trips with it as we only had six bags but we filled the fifty bushel bin nearly. There was more here than we thought there was. Last night I went down to see "What paper the Jones" which was put on by a bunch of Waterford amateurs and it was good and very comical. I was surprised to see Frank come in and sit down ahead of us with a nice looking little girl who Mary told me was her cousin Olive Ward. He stayed down at Auntie's all night & got measured for a shirt. Cuck and the baby also stayed down at the James. Poor Dad had a very sad evening

to-day as he killed his little canary. It flew out of its cage when he was giving it water as it often does and lit on the other cage which is suspended from the ceiling by a wire. He went to lift the cage up and in stead of it coming off the wire the wire came off the ceiling and flopped over and broke the little fellow's back. He was a dandy singer and a great pet of Dad's. It is the last one he has certainly had - had luck with them. Last night was the coldest night by a long way we have had this winter. The lowest reported temperature that I have seen was 15° below zero - and it has been very nippy all day - but it is much so cold to-night.

Tuesday February 15th

Alan Law came in about half past nine this morning with his blue grass seed to take to sell so we then on our (clover seed?) and he & I hit out for Sincere. Frank & I had just come over. We stopped in at Lynn Valley and Alan asked the fellow there what he would give him for his seed and the fellow told him just four dollars. Alan knew he had 210 lbs of it and Green had offered him 2 cts a lb the other night on a sample so Alan thought he might as well take it on to Sincere, then it turned out that Green backed out and