

to the bank this morning and we didn't do any thing much but the rest of the morning. Lloyd Phillips came over and got a load of hay but he had a pair of horses and another fellow with him so we didn't have to help him put it on. This afternoon Dad, Frank and Lucretia to Uncle Shal. for his birth day. and I went over to Mr. Artin's with the bit Frank borrowed from Art. Deanburg the other day. I saw Mr. Bailey and he was telling me that he didn't think a mash was the right thing at all for laying hens, while Chris told me to feed it so it's hard to tell what to do. Dad and I hooked for a finger to the hubs and went down to post Uncle Shal's letter but we were too late for to-night's mail. Dick and Wiggins rode over as far as the corner with us and then walked on around the house we gave Beas Dix a ride home too. We also brought some lumber over from Tommy Gillis for John Swanburg as Chris asked us to on our way down. We had great difficulty to night in trying to catch & read naught but drive him into his stall and at last by running him through the deep snow till he was tired out he went in of his own accord. Snowed an inch or two last night and then rather cold and blustering all day.

Thursday January 22<sup>nd</sup>

I did chores this morning and changed the straw out of the chicken house and also sat in the dining room for awhile to catch Liddams if he wake up coughing and put in the time sorting James's Advertiser. Dad and Frank sawed down the old Northern Sprig in the fig yard

as it was dead. This afternoon they cut some of it up and got a lot of first class fire wood out of it. After dinner I put a lot of fresh straw in the chicken house and helped Dad fix a pen in the corner of the old barn to put the calves into. Lovely day, fairly sunny and not too cold. looks like snow

Friday January 23<sup>rd</sup>

We spent most of the morning hatching up the calf pen and Dad put the window in. This afternoon he put the surcingle & bridle on Oprey. She didn't like it at all at first but once he got started he walked down to the corner and back alright but sweat up a bit. When we got back I did a few chores and Dad and Frank got some more apple wood. Cousins Lull & Phoebe came over and about four o'clock. Frank & I drove them home we also got the mail and a couple of horses to feed the calves in Charlie Butler was in at noon to see Dad about some horse. It has been cloudy and very soft all day. Looks very much like a storm

Saturday January 24<sup>th</sup>

It was raining when we got up this morning. Turned to snow about nine o'clock and snowed till noon. Dad put the harness and bridle on Oprey again but we couldn't take him out so just left him there all morning. She must have gotten through some violent exercise, probably trying to get loose as when we went in at noon he was wringing wet. Dad also trimmed his front feet and had to resort to chastisement to make him behave