

big barn floor and Dad. patched the weak spots. Jack M. Bide and Albert Reid brought over the wire fencing that Dad. ordered from Sid. M. Bide. He was in yesterday and said he would dump it off the car down there some place for us to get when we had time but as it is we are saved a trip. They finished at Flemming's soon after dinner and moved right over here. It took them quite awhile to get set and they didn't thrash any this afternoon. About four o'clock Frank and I drove down for some more provisions which Enah forgot to get yesterday. While I was waiting for him Johnny and Helen Anderson came along and expressed the desire to see New York and took them for awhile around half a dozen blocks or so. Jim Law in this afternoon and only charged Dad. \$5.00 for two days and a half thrashing. It has been very soft again all day. There wasn't enough wind to drive the windmill till late this afternoon and then she pumped a trough tank full of water.

Saturday January 10th

We thrashed all day the day in the alkies but didn't quite finish as the clover mill broke down somewhere this afternoon and there is still another load or so in the mill. It hasn't turned out very well so far we have only got about seven bushels of seed. We put the straw out door and I looked after it or at least was supposed to I have kind of a stack of square one but of course it isn't topped out yet. It was rather hard to build

owing to a strong nor west wind. It was pretty rotten up there except just in the north west corner. I kept that corner pretty well tramped. Dad. hired Jim Law again and Supper sent Jonas over. Mr. Flemming sent old Bill George and Bill sent Teddy. Dad. did all the chores and as Enah had no one to help her, he and Frank I think looked after Tiddums quite a bit. It has been much colder today. fog, a little all day and windy with a little ^{rain}.

Sunday January 11th

Dad. and I did chores off and on all day and I read, shelled corn and darned a sack in the intervals. Frank was sick in the night and has felt very miserable all day hardly stirring away from the stove. Dick got up about noon and this afternoon took Belle and went for a drive we are not sure who with. Conscience tells us it was Dress. Dyer but Dick tells us it was Mr. Stokes. He didn't stay long as it was a nasty day but went down to the pond as soon as he got home he said there was a big bunch down there; he intended to go to church and I guess did. Allan Law came over this afternoon and put a little fire in the engine to warm up the water in the boiler. He said his father sprained his ankle last night and was pretty lame on it to-day. I was a beautiful sunny morning with out any wind but this afternoon it got cloudy and blustery with a little snow and to-night there is a fierce south west wind with snow. Dad. had to kill one of the pigeons which came here from the shooting match to day.