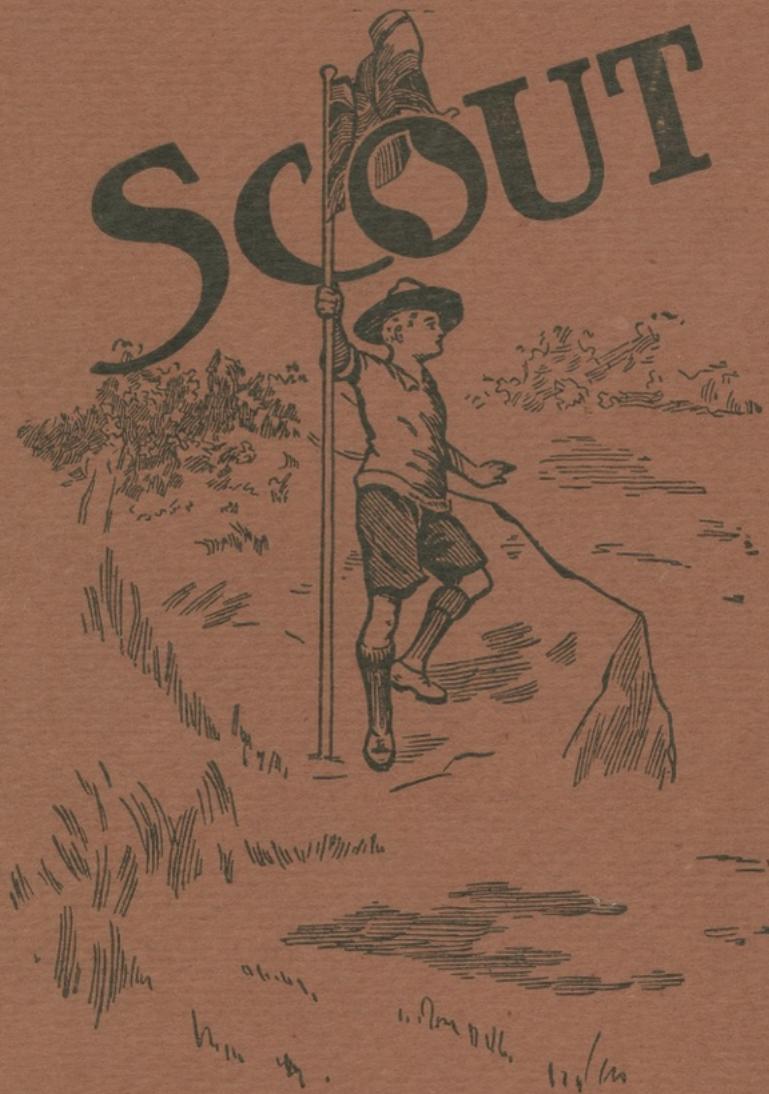


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Burgoyne Jan. 18 ~~Friday~~. - 5° Below
this morning. 11° Below zero to-night.
Bright before dinner dull after, cold.
Papa and mamma were in town, Noble
was at Paisley for chop and Rowand was
at the bush after dinner. He was at
Geddes in the morning with their grain-
bags. Papa and ma ^{were} mma ^{were} only in the after-
noon. I was at Uncle Alfred's for a little bit.
Mrs. Buyers and Isabel came home today.
Noble is hard up with the cold to-night.

Sat. 19 - 38° Below zero to-night, 9° Below
this morning. It has risen to zero to-
night. Cold S. wind changing to north.
Dull the most of the day. R. Papa
were in town. W. was doing chores
& odd jobs. We were baking pies, cakes
& scrubbing. Agnes was here.

Sun. 20 - Zero before breakfast. Stormy.

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sometimes, cold. I was at church in the morning. Uncle A., Arthur and Edgar were here. Papa was not very well. He felt like taking a fainting spell. Rowan has had a cold for a while and is worse now.

Mon. 21 - Not as cold. 8° This morning. Dull & smoky. Snowing a little. The boys were working at the bush before dinner. They brought home a load of logs from the bush after dinner. M & P the boys have colds. Arthur was here phoning. I am getting better of my cold. P was doing office w. chores etc. M & I were sewing & mending.

Tue. 22 - About 6° after breakfast. Bright for a while in the morning. Started to snow before dinner & snowed all afternoon. P & M were in town & h. took a load of logs

in. R. has a bad cold. He was at Uncle
Asa Arthur was tele phoning. Gordon Kepner
hung himself in his father's cellar in Port
Elgin. His father found him last
night.

Wed. 23- 14° In the morning.
Snowing through last night and
all morning and part of afternoon. Calm.
The boys are both hard up with colds. M.
& I were baking bread. Agnes was
here visiting. U.A. was here for some saltpetre
for a sick horse. I was at U.A.'s. Clear
 2° Below zero to-night.

Thur. 24 - Snowing quite a bit of
the day. Not very cold. Moon is shining
to-night. 18° In the middle of the
afternoon. Johnny M'Dintosh was here
in the afternoon. Uncle A. and Arthur
were here. The boys were helping Papa
bagging up grain. M. & I were churning.

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They have all got colds. P & M. are not coughing very much. Mr. has rheumatism just now and is not well other ways.

Fri. 25th Snowing quite a bit to day. Wind in S. turned to W. Stormy some of afternoon and to-night. Mild in the Western Canada. N, R & Edgar were trying to chop but could not get the engine to work. U. A. got the "Bell" telephone put into their house to-day. R & I were at the store. M. is not very well. She & I were sweeping & dusting.

Sat. 26 - 12° Below zero this morning. 11° Below to-night. Bright & frosty cold wind. P. H. & R. were in town. The roads are pretty heavy in the morning. N. was cleaning pig-pens & helping Edgar to try to chop but they did not get any done. M. & I were baking ~~pie~~ ~~steaks~~ pies & cakes & scrubbing & cleaning the stove. The Patriotic Society gave a concert last night at Burgoynes. They made about \$30 clear. Agnes was here.

Sun. 27 - 30° Below zero. Bright. R. H. & I were at church in the morning. U. A. was

here. M. is not very well to-night.

Mon. 28 - 4° Below zero this morning. A cold N.E. wind changing to E. till sometime in the afternoon when the storm stopped though the snow fell. M. is not well. The boys were sawing wood in the woodshed. M. & I were sewing & mending. R. is at Mrs. M. Andrew's to-night to practice for the Literary meeting.

Tue. 29 - Cold N.W. wind. Went down sometime in afternoon. 2° This morning. Clear to-night. Bright some of the day. The boys were at the bush. Papa did a little carpenter-ing etc. We were sawing and mending and melting snow. The barn cistern is getting dry the creek is nearly all frozen up so the cattle were at Uncle A's. Uncle A. was here.

Wed. 30 - 18° Degrees below zero this morning. Bright & nice though a cold wind though not very much of it. P & R. were in town. Noble took the pigs in in

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the afternoon. He got $\$17.50$ per cwt.
for them. There were 5 of them averaging
200 lbs. a piece. Uncle A. helped H. to load
them. Aunt Lizzie was here in the after-
noon. R. & I were at the Literary meeting
at night. M & I were washing, baking
bread & scrubbing.

Thur. 31 - 2° Below zero this morning.
 12° Below to-night. Bright & a little warmer than yes-
terday. H. took grain to P. E. for making in to
chop. He got flour "5 Jewels" at $\$20$ per cwt. 100 "Pasty"
at $\$5.60$ per cwt. He got feed flour, bran & chop too.
He was at the bush after dinner and brought home
a load of logs. He & R. were cutting wood. M & I
were washing & ironing a little.

Fri. Feb. 1 - 24° Below zero this morning.
Bright, some of the time at any rate. Cold W. wind.
The boys were at the bush. M & I were doing
sweeping & dusting & baking & dusting
& cleaned some of the hen-house.

Sat. 2 - 2° Down to zero before breakfast. P. & R. were in town. Roads better for going in than ~~out~~. H. took logs in in ^{the} afternoon. We were baking cakes, scrubbing & dusting.

Sun. 3 - About 14° after 8 o'clock. Blue-looking around the bush in the morning. Got stormy. Not very stormy but ~~kind of~~ ^{pretty} stormy. I was at church in the morning. Papa was dizzy in the morning and M's back was sore.

Mon. 4 - 19° Below zero this morning. 6° Below on Uncle C's thermometer at noon. 14° Below on ours to-night. Our thermometer we think registers too low. A very cold West wind. P & H. were at the bush. R. got a piece of his ear frozen at noon. They both got their noses frozen to-night when they were coming across the field at the bush. R. has got spots of his face and one ear frozen before ^{this} ~~this~~ winter this Winter. The mail-man did not come around. The train did not come from any further than Palmerston.

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The wind is high to-night. There is a snow^{ing} giving
to Maida Gowanlock to-night. N. was not feeling well
this morning. This mail ^{was} has missed & sometimes by one

Tue. 5 - 38° Below zero this morning.

B right. The boys did not go to the bush.
Oliver Geddes was here. He, N. & R. were at
Uncle Alfred's. N. was there in the forenoon too.
O. & G. Geddes got their noses frozen on the 4th and
so did Agnes. N. & I were baking bread.

Wed. 6 - 8° This morning. A good bit
milder. 13° at night. Snowed some last night
as and drifted. N. took the sleigh to town after
dinner. His chop was not done but he got feed at
McGillivray's and Papas papers. We cleaned the hall
stove-pipes & we churned. Dull part of the day. The
boys had to shovel the snow out of the lower gate.

Thur. 7 - Below this morning. Cold
wind. Bright & frosty. 10° at night. N. & R.
got the logs from the bush to take to town.
N. took them in after dinner. P. & E. wen

Chopping after dinner. M. & P. were at Geddes's
for tea. We were washing & scrubbing. Mr. Schwarz
from Wed., Sam & John were here to see us p. d. night.
Fri. 8 - ~~13°~~ Below this morning. Bright & cold.
S. wind. Raining at night. The boys were
at the bush getting wood ready for selling.
M. & I were sweeping, dusting, ironing & baking
pies & cakes.

Sat. 9 - Big flakes of snow falling early
in the morning. Drifting a little. Bright
the most of the day. 14° before supper. The
boys shovelled a road for the horses to get in
to the bush, took a load of grain to U. Alfie
to get chopped & brought home 3 loads of wood
from the bush to take to Eawald's. P & M.
were in town this afternoon. Papa did not
light a fire as an order has been issued by
the "Fuel Controller" that all business places
with a few exceptions are not to be heated
with wood, coal or oil on the ~~8th, 9th, 10th~~ 11th.
M. was at Miss Geddes's. M & I baked bread.

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Cakes & scrubbed & dusted. Mamma had a bad cramp in her leg this evening.

Fri. 9 - Snowed hard for a while. Not cold. Dull the most of the day. Rd. & I were at church in the morning. Drove up. Small congregation. Mr. & Mrs. Keith n Donald were at church. H. Alfred was here in the afternoon.

Sun. 10 - A very nice day. Shawing. Bright some of the day. H. took a load of wood to Herman Ewald's this afternoon. The roads are cutting away to-day. He got off the road at McAnnel's hill and had to take some of the wood off and left it there. A few sticks fell off before he got to town. The boys brought the wood home from the bush that was left off Ewald's this morning. Johnny n Intosh & Mr. Underwood were here to do business. H. A was here for a few minutes twice. Rd & Arthur were chopping this afternoon. Mamma & I were washing, baking cakes, sewing. Papa was painting the board he put up in the kitchen for clothes. Arthur & Edie was at the stable to see the boys at night.

Sat. 11 - Raining before we got up and raining for quite a bit of the forenoon

and then snowed the rest of the day.
Wet snow and snowed a lot. Pap^d
Rd were in town. Noble was threshing peas
& working at other things around the barn.
He has a cold. Mamma & I were ironing
& mending. Mamma was not well.
Mrs. D. Stewart's sale was to-day. Noble was at
Uncle Alfred's.

Feb. 13-Dull, snowing some, 9° this
morning. The boys were threshing peas etc.
Mamma & I were churning, scrubbing, sewing.
not cold.

Feb. 14-Dull & thawing, 28° this
morning. About 40° this afternoon. High
S. wind. A little rain in afternoon. Thunder,
lightning & a little rain to-night. Rd. took
a load of wood to Mrs. Oswald. Noble was thresh-
- ing peas & they were both threshing this
afternoon. Rd. was at Uncle Alfred's. Mr. Chas.
Sam, Ed & John Schwass & John's and Ed's wife.

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John's baby were here on business. M. & I
were washing & ironing a little, sweeping,
mending & sewing.

Fri. 15 - Dull and then bright. A
cold wind. Papa & mamma went to town
in the morning. P. took a load of
wood to Ewald's after dinner. H. was in the
house with a cold. Mrs. Henderson's brother
died yesterday. His body was taken to the station
this afternoon. Service at Mrs. Henderson's at 4 o'clock.
Darkie got down in the snow on the road out. P. & M.
are going to stay at Miss Geddes all night. They
took the coal-oil stove with them. P. slept at
Geddes at night. I was making pies. 10° Below a.m.
^{Snowed over while}

Sat. 16 - 4° This morning below zero. Bright
this morning. Cold to-night. P. took a load of
wood to town this morning. H. was working
around the stable. In the afternoon they
were at the bush and brought home the
shop from Uncle Alfred's. Agnes was here a little

Sun. 17 - I was baking bread & cakes and scrubbing.
P. & in. came home to-night.

Sun. 17 - Cold West wind. Bright. Mamma

I were at church. H. A. was here. H. Arthur & E. were away for a walk. A hard crust on the snow in the morning. So far later on, I got one of my ears touched with the frost on the road to church.

2 Between 7 and 8 a.m.

Mon. 18 - Cold Wind. 4° this morning. H.

R. were at the bush cutting logs. Uncle A. brought Papa's typewriter (that he has on trial from a company in Toronto) from Papa's office. Uncle Alfred took the girls in to Port Elgin this morning. Ed. Schwass, Mr. Maxwell, Colin Campbell, Mr. Gregg were here on business. Mamma was washing & sewing. She has a sore back. Papa got the lamb on Sat. morning. High wind to-night.

Tue. 19 - Raining a lot through last night & raining some to-day & raining very heavily for a while this evening. Big ponds of water. P. & H. were in town. H. went to Filoto's sale. P. In. & I cleaned the kitchen

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stove-pipes & R. mended the wheel-barrow.
M. was ironing. Edgar was here. Very windy to-night. Quite a bit early in the day too. 40° in evening.

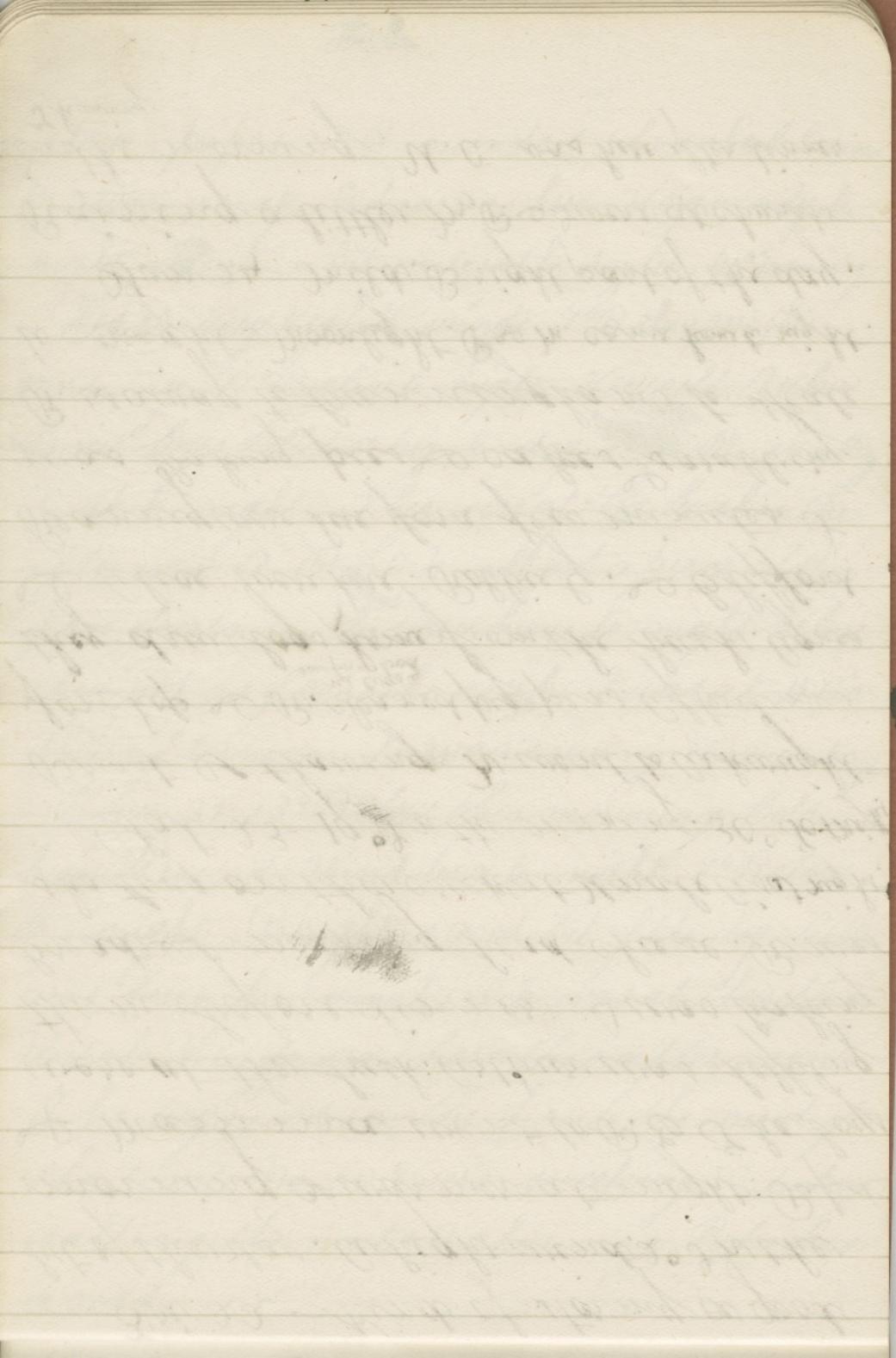
Wed. 20 - very high W. wind. 7° below zero this morning. 11° below to-night. Very cold. Arthur & our boys killed a pig to-day. M. & R. are cutting it up to-night. They were at the bush in the afternoon. A. R. & H. all got a piece of their face frozen on the way home to-night before they got as far as the creek. I was at H. C's this afternoon. M. was sewing & mending.

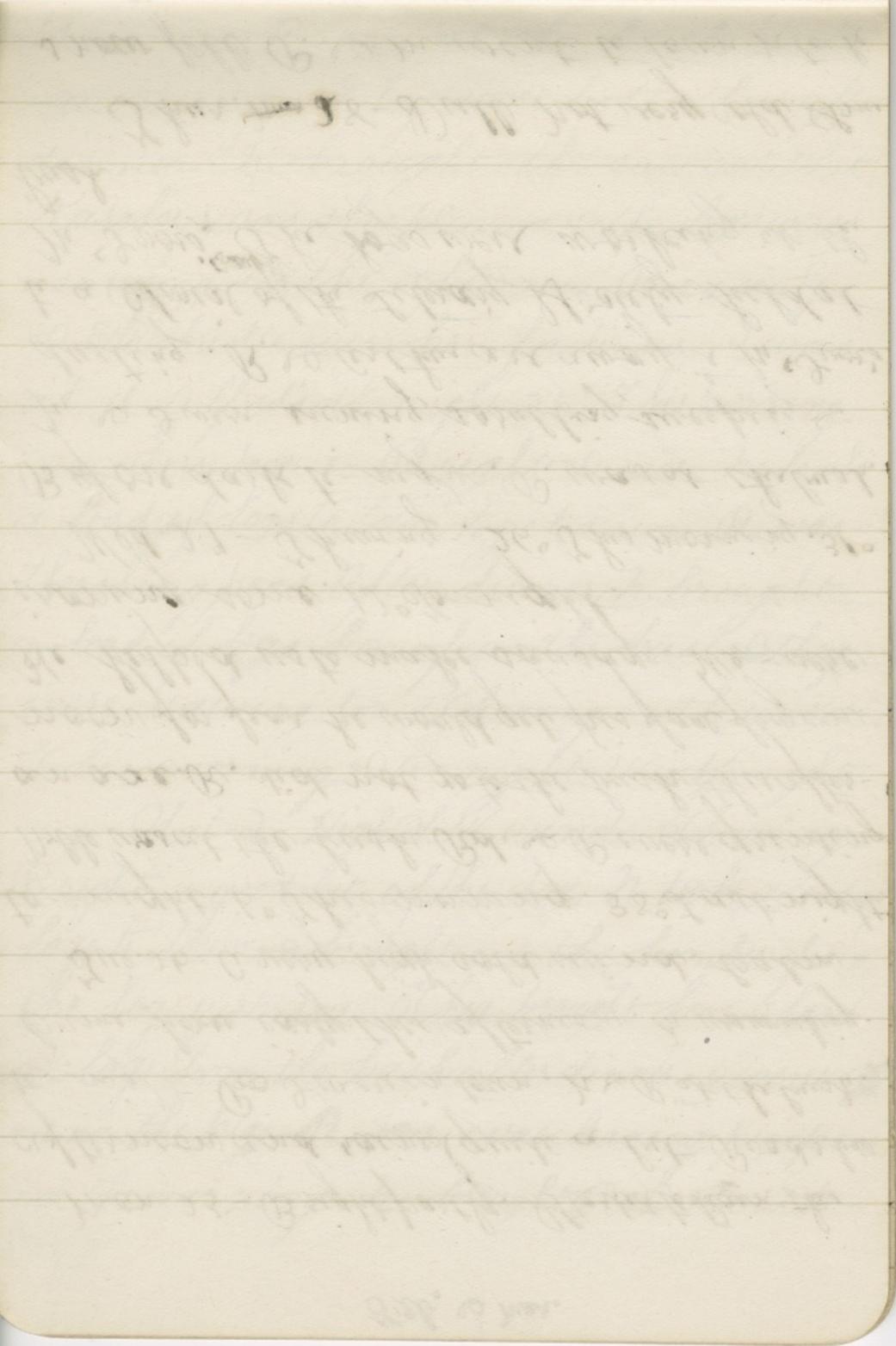
Thur. 21 - 13° below this morning. Cold high W. wind. Wind down to-night. 4° Below to-night. Bright a good bit of the day. Arthur was here a few minutes & H. was at their place. Uncle Sandys was here this afternoon. The boys were in the house the most of the time. M. & I were sweeping & dusting, salting the meat & churning. Papa has a cold.

Fri. 22 - Kind of stormy a good bit of the day. A high wind. 2° in the morning & warmer at night. Papa & Mamma went to P. E. The boys were at the bush. Arthur was helping them before dinner. I was baking bread & making head-cheese. R. was skating on the creek at Unalec last night.

Sat. 23 - 19° in the morning. 30° to-night. Bright & thawing. N. went to Arkwright for chop & R. cleaned pig pens. After dinner they drew logs ^{and waste} _{saw for wood} home from the bush. Agnes & Alice were here. Robbie G. & Clifford Beannay were here for a few minutes. I was baking pies & cakes & scrubbing. R. is away to Cunningham's to skate to-night. Moonlight. P. & M. came home to-night.

Sun. 24 - Mild. Bright part of the day. Raining a little. N., P. & I were at church in the morning. U. A. was here after dinner. Thawing.





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Mon. 25 - Bright partly. Started to rain this afternoon and rained quite a bit. Roads bad to-night. P. & I were in town. N. & R. ^{were} at the bush. Came home early this afternoon. N. was washing.

Tue. 26 - A very high cold wind. Calm to-night. 6° This morning. 38° Last night. Noble was at the bush. Red. & P. were grinding an axe. R. did not go to the bush this afternoon for fear he would get his face frozen. He helped us to make sausage. We were ironing some. 12° To-night.

Wed. 27 - Thawing. 26° This morning. 31° Before dark to-night. P. was at the bush. I. & I. were ironing, scrubbing, sweeping & dusting. R. & Arthur are away to M' Ivois to a Social of the Literary Society held at M' Ivois ^{cafe}. The dogs were working at the bush.

Thur. 28 - Dull. Not very cold. Some snow fell. P. & I went to town. I took

them in. R. was at the bush in the morning. They were both there after dinner. H. brought the saw out that Karcher was sharpening & the boys were sawing in the afternoon. R. & son G. & Ethel Christie were here for dinner. I was at U. Alfred's all night. 26° This morning.

Fri. Mar. 1 - Bright & nice. H. took a load of logs to town to get sawn. R. was threshing peas. After dinner H. brought a load of logs home from the bush. They were sawing, too. Thawing in the sun. 18° This morning & to-night. Windy - night.

Sat. 2 - High S. W. wind. Thawing. Bright a good bit of the day. H. took a load of logs to town & brought out the lumber from the logs yesterday. They brought home a load of logs from the bush after dinner & were weeding the pigs. R. was cleaning pig-pens in the morning. H. brought S. m. out to -

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- night. P. has been very busy. He was not well to-day. Florence was ^{for} her tea. Clear & windy to-night.

Sun. 3 - Bright with a cold wind.

P., M., & were at church in the morning. P. was there at night. The Communion service was held in the morning. P. was at Uncle A's.

Mon. 4 - Bright part of the day. Started to rain late in the afternoon. Did not rain as much as last Monday. P. & I were in town, M. was working at home. took a load of logs to town in the morning & they were at the bush working at the logs after dinner. H. Sandy was here on business.

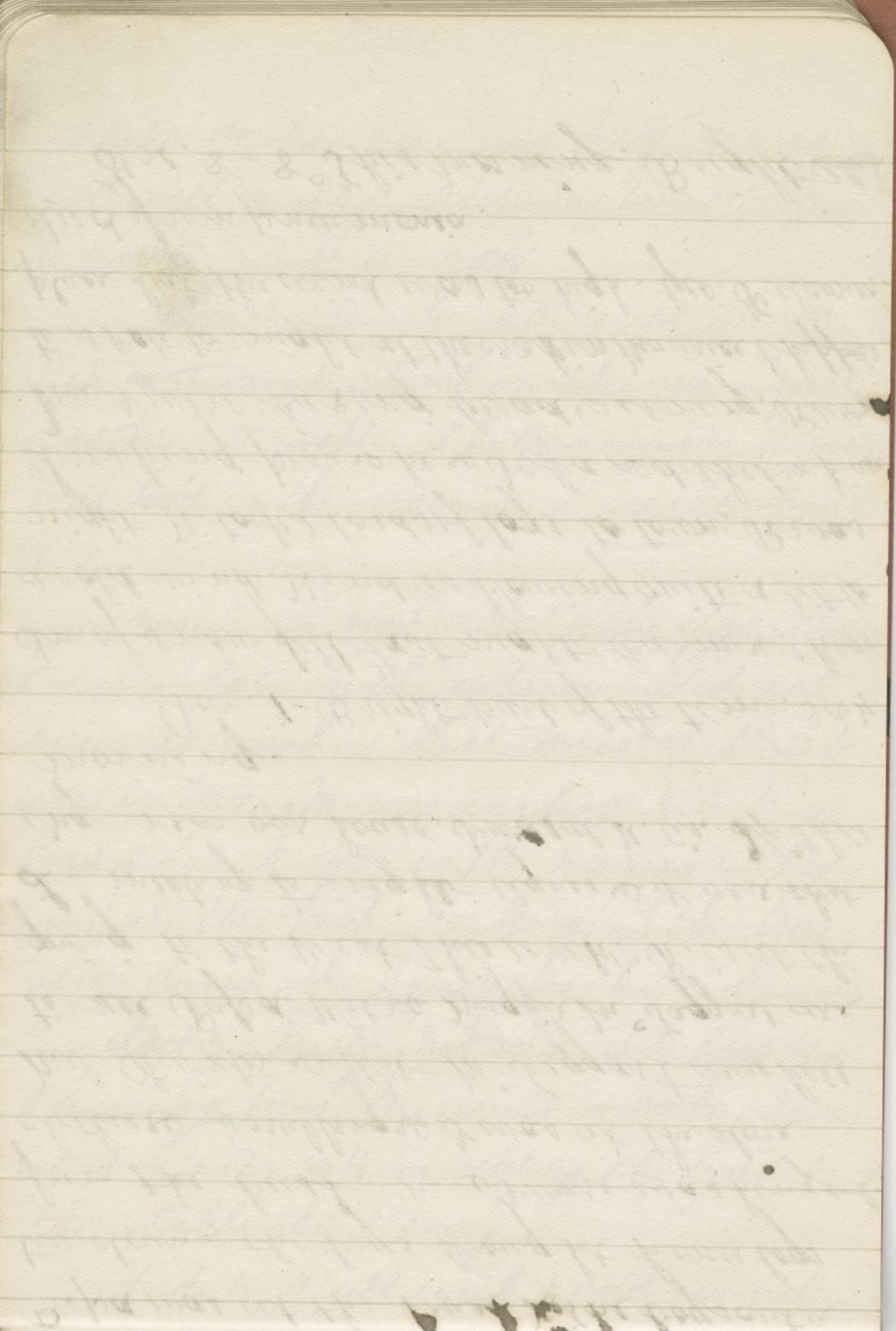
Tue. 5 - Misty, not cold. The boys were threshing peas. M. ironed ^{n. 300g} a little. I was at H. L's. As. & E. are visiting the boys at the stable this evening.

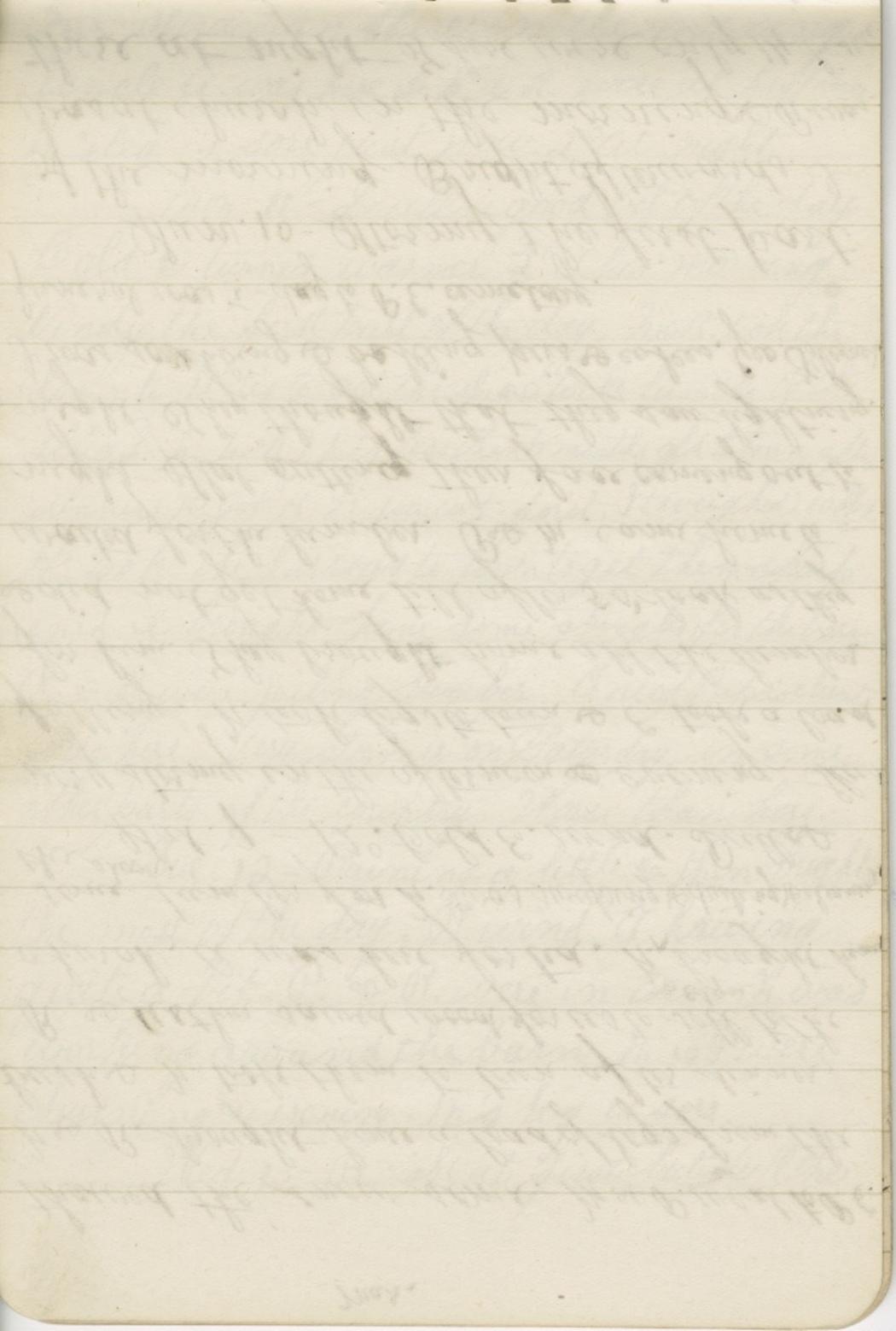
Wed. 6 - Dull with a cold wind.

Papa was at the bush. The boys cut a tree down & the boys brought home logs from the bush. N. & I were washing white clothes & scrubbing & I was at the store. Neil Swinton & Wat M. Taggart were here to see Papa. Wat & Maggie M. Taggart are going to the West this week. R. is at the L. meeting to-night. Agnes & I were skating near our house. I was at U. C. If this morning.

Thur. 7 - Bright part of the time. 30° 4 in. of snow fell last night. Calm & then a cold wind. Wind is blowing quite a bit to-night. N. took 2 loads of logs to town. R. was threshing peas & he & I cleaned the hen-house. Me & I were baking bread & ironing. R. went to skate to-night at the creak in Maurice Chappel's place but the wind was too high. Geo. F. Falconer died from pneumonia.

Fri. 8 - 8° This morning. Bright. Sun





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thawed the snow some. M. & P. went to P.C.
H. & R. brought home a load of logs from the
bush. H. took them to town after dinner.

R. & Arthur sawed wood for us to sell to the
church. A. was here for tea. H. ^{& Edgar} brought him
some lumber for H. I was sweeping & dusting & cleaning
the story.

Sat. 9 - 12°. Cold E. wind. Dull &
very stormy in the afternoon & evening. Sleet
falling. H. took logs to town & E. took a load
for him. They brought home all the lumber
& did not get home till after 5 o'clock as they
waited for the lumber. P. & M. came home to-
night. Sleet cutting their face coming out to-
night. They thought that they saw lightning.
I was scrubbing & baking pies & cakes. Geo. Tolomer
funeral was to-day at P.E. cemetery.

Sun. 10 - Stormy the first part
of the morning. Bright afterwards. I
was at church in the morning. R. was
there at night. There were only 14 besides

Mr. Strachan there in the morning.
Uncle A. was here & he & R. were at his place.
Misleg is sore just now. 2° at night.

Mon. 11 - Dull a good bit of the day.
Cold & turned warmer. 3° This morning.
Windy the first part of the day. H. & R. took the
clover to U. as to get threshed & took lumber of the
sleigh. H. took 1 pig less than 6 months old to town after
dinner. He got 18.75 per cwt. fat. It weighed 200 lbs.
He took the harrows to town to get them sharp-
ened & brought home some shingles for the barn.
P. & R. were sailing lumber. One of Papas clients
was here. Very stormy on Saturday in some
other parts of the country. Worse than here.

Tue. 12 - Raining a little & then bright
the most of the day. S. wind. Thawing
quite a bit. P. & R. were in town. H. was
working around the barn. H. & I were
churning & ironing. Misleg is sore.

Wed. 13 - Bright at first but dull the

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most of the time. A cold wind. The boys were cutting the wood for the church. P. was at the bush. 2 of his clients were here to see him. M. & I were at scrubbing & mending. H. A. was here.

Thur. 14 - Very dull. A wet snow all afternoon. Not cold. P. was at H. A. as the clover threshers came there yesterday. We had part of a load of clover last year and had seed. H. A. had pretty near 3 loads of clover and they had seed. It was splitting & piling wood this morning at the bush. M. & I were baking bread.

Fri. 15 - 2° This morning. Bright with a cold wind. P. & M. went to town. H. A. & R. were sawing wood before dinner, P. was splitting & piling afterwards & H. went to town for some feed that came in a load that Bob Teller was getting. We got 25 bags. Arthur was at the door and Agnes

brought some yarn for knitting for the soldiers. I was sweeping & dusting.

Sat. Oct. 16 - 12° This morning. A very cold W. wind. Bright. The boys were taking wood to the church. I was baking pies & cakes, scrubbing & doing a rooster. P & M came home to-night.

Sun. Oct. 17 - Bright. P, R & I were at church in the morning. Edgar was here.

Mon. 18 - Bright & mild. 21° This morning 40° in the shade to-day. The boys took the rest of the wood to the church. N. was throwing wood into the wood-shed etc. They brought home a load of poles from the bush. P. was at the bush & felt like taking a fainting-spell. M & I were washing. I was at Uncle Al's. R. & E are away to Geddes to-night. Edith Buyers is at Uncle Al's. just now.

Tue. 19 - Bright & nice all day.

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Sawing a lot. P. & M. went to town.
N. took $\frac{1}{2}$ cord of 14 in. wood to Miss Gables
& brought out the rest of the shingle.
R. was getting ready to tap this morn-
ing. They tapped after dinner &
brought home 2 loads of poles. I went
to a United Prayer meeting at Burgoyne
Church. Revs. Newell, Strachan, Mann, Gish,
Bucklerough, Leger, Hallman, McDougald &
Scanlon & Mr. Sayles & A. J. George & Uncle Gillis
(who was chairman) took part.

Wed. 20 - Very warm. Bright. 52° This
afternoon in the shade. The boys were
cleaning grain before dinner & were at
the bush after dinner sawing & brought
home the sap. There was not very much.
Some of the trees did not run. They had to
get across the creek at the bridge on the
fence. M & I were ironing, churning
& scrubbing. H. Crowe & B. Hanbridge

were here to see the cattle. Thawing
a lot.

Thur. 22 - Bright with a cold
wind though it was not very
high. 27° This morning. Thawing.
The ice on the river is broken up.
The boys got the sap from the bush.
There was only a little bit. They
were cleaning grain. I was sweeping.
P.M. went to town. I was at Geddes
& Alice was here.

Thur. 21 - Bright and thawing.
A frost last night though not as low
as Fri. morning. The boys were
cleaning grain & helping U. O. to saw
wood with the engine & getting the sap. Less
sap than yesterday. Ab. Eaton was here and
bought the heifer with the queer horns.
It was 2 yrs. last summer. We used to
get 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ cts a lb. for it. Agnes was here & Peter
U. O. as

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Sat. 23 - 17° or 18° This morning. Bright with a cold wind. Colder than yesterday. Not thawing in the shade. The boys finished cleaning the grain this morning & took some for chopping to U. As. They were working at the poles this afternoon. Did not get much sap today.

Sun. 24 - Bright, warmer than yesterday. P. M. & I were at church in the morning. P. was at U. As. W. A. has a cold.

Mon. 25 - 22° This morning. A very cold W. wind. I snowed some near night. The boys made chop & porridge. may split wood & gathered the sap. They got 5 pails of sap. In. & I washed. Uncle Sandy was at the door and Papa had 2 other men to see him. I sabel was lame at night.

Tue. 26 - 11° This morning. A little snow fell. It all melted. P. & R. went to town

S. L. went to the store & Andrew Barris.
He bought a white sow from him for \$5
& bu. of turnips at 10c per bu. & bu.
of mangels at 15 per. bu. J. was working at
the wood. M. & I were ironing & baking bread.
Agnes was here.

Wed. 27 - Bright with a cold wind. 16°
This morning. The boys brought home the pigs &
the roots. After dinner they helped Cr. & E. to
extend the bridge, split wood etc. A man
was here to see the cattle. Papa had a client here.
Agnes was here to-night. M. & I scrubbed & finished
the syrup. We got 2 gts.

Thur. 28 - Bright and rather cold.
11° This morning. The boys were bringing
home poles. P. & M. were at Goddessporta.
Alice was here to-night. Cr. & E. were
at the stable. Clem Morton died at South
-ampton Mar. 24.

Fri. 29 - Bright, a cold wind, air

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warmer than yesterday. A circle round the sun. The boys brought home the rest of the poles ~~home~~ and the most of the afternoon R. helped U. A's to finish theirs. Ed went to Saratoga and met Mr. Sharpe and brought him ~~home~~ back with him. N. & P. took the heifer to A. Eaton. She weighed 660 lbs. M. & I were sweeping, dusting & scrubbing churning. This is Good Friday.

Sat 30. Misty at first & dull part of the time afterwards. Warmer than Fri. P. & R. went to town. M. & I got over 4 pails of sap in the morning & some wood from the bush. N. helped E. to take away the piece that they put to the bridge & he took the horses to this side of the bridge & brought the sap across to it. ^{the other} We got 4 pails. I was at U. A's. M. & I were scrubbing, dusting & baking cakes & a little bread. I was at U. A's.

Sun. 31 - Warm & bright. Roads are