

Sunday April 12th Easter.

I haven't done a thing in the shape of chores to-day since seven this morning. I got up fed the chickens sheep and horses and then went down with Dick to the early communion service we ran nearly all the way down or rather dog trotted but it just about killed me but Dick didn't seem to mind it. when we got home we had breakfast and then went down to the eleven o'clock service. The church was packed and Githa Barwell sang a solo. Every member of the Barrett family except Dad and Liddie was at church from both houses. After church, Russ, Quint, Frank and I took a walk over to the Thompson's with Joe who is keeping hatch at present. Quint came over with us to dinner which we had rather late. Russ wanted to make a few calls this afternoon so I went with him down town. we went to the Hobbes where we found Githa. Murr and Ade. Miss Preat is here over Easter. we had such a good time that the first thing we knew it was time to come home for tea. I did a few chores after I got home. The old hen I set on fifteen eggs up in the loft hatched out nine chicks but during yesterday the old hen got off the nest which is about a foot off the floor and three little fellows got off and couldn't get back when we went up at night we found them chilled to death and beyond all recovery. One of the turkey hens has disappeared, and we don't know where she is. It has been very windy all day but a nice day. The roads are drying up.

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We loaded the hogs up first thing this morning and Dad and I took them down to Neil Elliot, we put Frank's pig in with the others and he weighed 172 lbs. We weighed them all on Yappers scales before we started and we made the total weight 994 lbs. none of them weighed 200 and the lightest was 153 lbs. On Jim Law's scales they just came to 950. we didn't think they shrank 44 lbs coming down town and don't think we made any mistake. however we only got paid \$9.00 a cut for 950 lbs of hogs. We came around by Tommy Gilles' to get some lumber for Frank to fix up the old house. Hazen was over for awhile this morning but didn't stay long. Dick didn't get up till the middle of the forenoon and then went down town to get some ham to make sandwiches for the dance to-night. He was down town all the afternoon playing base ball. This afternoon we put a scaffold up along the east side of the old house and the boys and Stahy got two or three rows of shingles laid while we were doing chores. Stahy pruned a little in the orchard and opened a ditch up out in the corn stubble. To-night we three boys went down to a dance in the hall given by the Sewing Club. The boys supplied the "eats" and the girls put up for the hall. Dick went down early and went to the picture show first and