

Dec 16 Margaret started to school cold & wet. I took the panty window out & had a big time filling the glass it was too large had to cut the sash. Maryone guarded the cows in the field by the house. rained in the afternoon Will was up in Port. In Mill it was raining when he got home. Hattie was up in business meeting yesterday. In Cooke's mill last night on the night the wind blew a gale & poured rain & hailed the poor turkeys had a hard night. Dec 17. the children took the cows down when they went to school & put them in the field but it was so cold & rainy they brought them up & put them in the barn. I churned Maryone made Margaret's brown waist over, we got Paul's apples over on the cellar it was so cold ground froze & a little snow on the ground.

Thurs 18. Will went to Chippawa with the chickens & bought his socks & rubber. After dinner Arthur helped on with the flour & Maryone blacked the flour the little dog went down with Arthur when he went in plough & he got so cold Will went after him.

Friday 19. quite a bit of snow on the ground soft & misty like rain at times lots of water running away on the west side of the house Arthur did not plough today I cleaned up the panty Maryone & Gordon have quite a time doing the night chores up to 10 o'clock. Florence & Leisha at Reesinger's now Mrs R. went up to Buffalo on Sunday & at 2 o'clock Maryone & Gordon guarded the cows Margaret stored apples I made an apple sauce cake grape tart & a pie & a big batch of white cookies with raisins cleared up the back kitchen swept winter kitchen Gordon cut a lot of wood. Maryone swept the front room but did not get home in time.

Sun 21 all from the other house & the children went to school Maryone could not wear her shoes the omnibus for Will in dinner we expected Reesinger girls & Florence but they did not come Hattie & Arthur over in the evening.

Mon 22 raining pretty nearly all day poured at times got to watering the cows & getting the turkeys on the back yard when they had a hard night of it pouring on them most of the night the young ones got wet coming home at noon Maryone & them had a time at night doing the chores. Maryone made her red pants Paul came home at night from Frank Taft.

Tues 23 turned cold on the night & the wind strong north the ground froze Paul took Topsy & went out in the river to get the clothes. he got the tall barrel out of the wagon it was there over a week Arthur went to Chippawa & his clothes he got some harness mended. I cut out my flannel shirt. Florence & the girls & Frank back to their house. cold night.

Wed 24 Will took his hens down to the butcher. Mrs Reesinger sick Maryone & Paul went over, I put the back on Paul's coat going in he been cold brought I got a lot of ramswater on Thurs 25. wind east - chills one through I have a terrible headache.

Reesinger's went in mill & threaded the wheel works Mary came over in the afternoon we wanted to send with them. they could only get one hundred & let us have half. Sue came at night in tell us Paul working for W. almost getting on the snow. Thacker at the house in night. Arthur went. Maryone went to Chippawa had 5th 10th 20th 25th 168. sugar 25. tea 30 wheat 25. cornmeal 10 Lard 25. Potatoes 19. onions 10 stamps 4. I sent a dollar for the 3 p.c.

Arthur soon getting Don Wells April mended I churned 2nd 7th 10th 15th 20th 25th 30th 35th 40th 45th 50th 55th 60th 65th 70th 75th 80th 85th 90th 95th 100th 105th 110th 115th 120th 125th 130th 135th 140th 145th 150th 155th 160th 165th 170th 175th 180th 185th 190th 195th 200th 205th 210th 215th 220th 225th 230th 235th 240th 245th 250th 255th 260th 265th 270th 275th 280th 285th 290th 295th 300th 305th 310th 315th 320th 325th 330th 335th 340th 345th 350th 355th 360th 365th 370th 375th 380th 385th 390th 395th 400th 405th 410th 415th 420th 425th 430th 435th 440th 445th 450th 455th 460th 465th 470th 475th 480th 485th 490th 495th 500th 505th 510th 515th 520th 525th 530th 535th 540th 545th 550th 555th 560th 565th 570th 575th 580th 585th 590th 595th 600th 605th 610th 615th 620th 625th 630th 635th 640th 645th 650th 655th 660th 665th 670th 675th 680th 685th 690th 695th 700th 705th 710th 715th 720th 725th 730th 735th 740th 745th 750th 755th 760th 765th 770th 775th 780th 785th 790th 795th 800th 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