

horses to sell so would be pretty late when they finished. We were rather chilly when we got back here but Mary had just baked so we got warm filling up on Willie's sprouts. Frank walked home. Wilder this morning had called to night.

Friday February 20th

As we wanted to have an early dinner and go to town this afternoon I didn't do much this forenoon but chores. We went to town in the buggy and it was a tight squeeze for all of us to get in and felt very uncomfortable after the snowy cutter. We took the egg crate and Harry B sat on it. I thought maybe Dad would want to get a load of sidings this afternoon but we saw him down town and he said to let it go till tomorrow, so we just stopped at Auntie's for awhile after getting our groceries. Dad was down with a letter he had just received from in answer to the one he wrote concerning the "fortune". The letter to-day is perplexing & promising. It is from a firm of lawyers who say they have for many years been and still are the solicitors to the trustees of a fund to which they say they can help Dad formulate and possibly prove a claim. They ask him to answer a good many questions concerning

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names, dates of births & marriages & deaths of different members of the family and then the perplexing part of this letter is when they say "if you were born before a certain day in March 1858." Dad wasn't born till 1864 so we are trying to figure out just what difference that will make or how much depends on it. South west wind and very mild all day.

Saturday February 21st

It started to rain before day light this morning and has kept it up pretty much all day. It has taken nearly all the snow off except where there were very deep drifts and to night the gully is running full and the water is going over the road by Davis gate. I went over this forenoon and swept out the school house and sat around over there for awhile reading a bulletin on protecting birds. This afternoon I painted the north door in the dining room and putted up a lot of nail holes in the wood work. Quite mild.

Sunday February 22nd

Mary repeated last Sunday's performance except that she got up for breakfast and then went back to bed and