

Saturday January 4th

Charlie Martin was over for an hours visit this morning - and told Dad as he was leaving that he had a lame boy over there which he wanted Dad to look at. He said his mother fell off the back steps before Christ mas and nearly broke her leg. He also told us his sister Mrs. Maylaughlin has a baby girl about two days after Ench's boy came. Dad thought they ought to trade as Mrs. Maylaughlin was all prepared for had a boy named and it was the other way round with Charlie. This afternoon we did chores and Dad went down to see Ench. I went over as far as Martin's with him and saw the chickens which were all washed, fanned, powdered, and the dark feathers pulled out of them and ready to start on the fair train for the Boston show. We also saw Charlie's lame horse which has an awfully sore looking leg on it. Went wood and practiced on my horn when I got home. Lila came over soon after I got back with her steam engine. Dad has to go down again to-night to sit with Ench. She is lame because the boy exercises his lungs now & then Frogo last night. Cold raw wind all day but sunny & thawing.

Sunday January 5th

Frank, Dick & Lila went down to Sunday school and

Aunty and I went down to church and were a little late. We went into Mrs. Lawson's to see how Ench was on our way down and Aunty Maude was with her which surprised us very much but she said she didn't think it would hurt her a bit. Mrs. Roy Silvesthane was there in a very bad condition, her little baby which was born last night, died and she didn't know it yet when we were there. Dick and I went down and had a good skate this afternoon though the ice was rather rough. Dad went down and got Faulkner to bring Ench & the boy home in the covered in bus and it didn't hurt either one in the least. Al drove at a snail's pace. He was telling Dad his opinion of U.S.A. He spoke in the grizzled monotone which he assumes for such occasions and said "I told U.S.A., when we elected you never you promised to build good roads. You haven't done fifteen cents worth of road work but spent all the money in sticking up that coop by me. Now what you had better do is to put the man in you built it for then you & Bill Graham lock yourselves in with him take a stick of dynamite and blow you all to hell to save funeral expenses!" he said Al. I told him that two weeks ago and he hasn't spoken to me since. Beautiful day. Froze hard last night, but thawed all day. Coldest looks stormy to-night.