

some Candy this after noon to send to a friend of Essie's George Bender who is in the trenches. That took a good part of the after noon as we had to crack nuts for it, but we went for a short walk. I stayed to tea and we all went to Church or Churches. Mr. Jarney brought in ours and was going to speak at the recruiting meeting afterwards we didn't go but went home and washed dishes instead. Quint came home yesterday noon he had been in Buffalo and Detroit; no one seems to know why he left the mill unless its is that he just got tired of it. He and Hubby went to Simcoe this after noon to see Alex McCall and interview him on the subject of enlisting. I guess Quint will enlist all right as Hubby is very anxious to have him. Dad was going up to old Jones this after noon but Jim Waddell came over and he didn't get. He went over to John Wess about five o'clock. Dick stayed with Uncle to night.

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Dad. Went up to town first thing this morning and left Frank and me to do chores. we hooked up old Harry & Nellie to the hob sleighs and cleaned out the hog stall into the sleighs and hauled it out to the old garden

we had about two loads in it and the stable and it took us till noon. When Dad got home he said Jones was going to lose Nellie and the Colt he was sure as they were in awful shape, they were both down and Nellie had batted her self all to pieces trying to get up, nothing wrong with them but starvation. right after dinner Blackie came along with his brother-in-law, Jim Anderson from Grell. he has been out there the last few days & thought it was too cold to monkey with his stuff but to say they had the hob sleighs and he loaded it all on them and took it out there where he will cart it and leave it till he wants it. He had a good big sleigh load but it wasn't very heavy. Dad & Frank and I had quite an argument about Blackie's two chests. he had a big red one in behind the chimney with rope handle on it and a little green one that he had his tools in and which has always been open and stood in front of the window and near the head of the stairs. He told us that it was the chest his father brought from Scotland in 1830 and they both say he said it was the other one. By the time they got their load on and got started it was after three o'clock so we just had time to put on about