

December 1888

Fri Dec 21¹⁵ high wind from the North a very blustering day. Snow'd hard later part of the day was boiling a few potatoes for the pigs about was about ^{out} all I was doing to day.

Sat Dec 22¹⁶ clear and pleasant through the day. the thermometer at zero this morning. we were sawing stove wood part of the day.

Sun Dec 23¹⁷ clear and pleasant.

Mon Dec 24¹⁸ clear fore part of the day, latter part cloudy a moderate day. we were getting chaff and straw in the barn and cleaning up a load grain to get chopt and splitting wood John and Charley went to Thamesville to meet and bring in Vic and Ira.

Tue Dec 25¹⁹ cloudy and soft a dull day this being Christmas day most of the girls were home. Mary and her baby. Charley, Sarah, and the children. Vic & Ira. Catharine & George & Welley were here. the boys were all home.

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Wed Dec 26²⁰ cloudy and soft. I sent a letter to England not doing much else.

Thu Dec 27²¹ cloudy blustering day some snow. not doing any thing but attending the stock.

Fri Dec 28²² clear part of the day and pleasant. I was carrying wet and rotten straw from back of the barn and spreading it in front of the barn.

Sat Dec 29²³ clear a pleasant winter day. I took a load of grain to Florence mill and got chopt.

Sun Dec 30²⁴ clear part of the day and pleasant.

Mon Dec 31²⁵ cloudy and soft some rain & some snow. not doing much today. Rose and Tom came down last night went away this fore noon. I went over the river with Charley to let him a job of clearing land. the ~~boys~~ boys took the sow to James Beaty's hog. the road is getting very bad again. this has been a very soft open winter so far the prospect at present is it may continue so.