

to sit down at a table which was under the supervision of Ed. Lindsay who didn't seem to do anything but run around with a large pitcher of hot coffee. I think I could have got a much better tea at home for nothing only I wouldn't have had three different kinds of cake. After supper we had to sit for about three hours and listen to speeches from fellows from Simcoe and Toronto as well as our own local talent. They didn't do or say anything much but crack jokes and talk about the war and the Kaisers and the missionary movements. Frank came down after tea and waited till I went home Dick was at the supper but had some excuse about having to work so missed the speeches. Cold wind and bluster. Lovely night.

Saturday 27th February.

We didn't do anything much this morning but Chas and I cut a little wood. Frank and I had a good boxing match in the shop, his not had with his fists at all. Winnie & Lila come over to dinner Winnie had a collection box collecting to buy supplies for the choir. I donated a very nice two inch nail which I happened to have in my pocket. Winnie & Lila seem very appreciative. Tom come in after dinner to tell Dad that Maude isn't well yet although she is getting her appetite back having eat four bran-mades

and is ready for as many more. Dad said she was doing all right but gave Tom a hall to give her. The minute Tom come in Liddums solicited a nickel from him and got it. Just after Tom left. Yupper came in and was here most of the afternoon just visiting. Frank went down to night to help cut up what was left over from last night's banquet. Nell get his supper for ten cents and won't have to listen to any speeches. It has been freezing all day with cold wind but sunny.

Sunday February 28th

Frank and I went down to Sunday school & church and Eulah came down to church as they had a hymn sang to the tune of "Tell Aunt Rhody the Grey Goose is dead." And so Harry Tom sent her a special invitation to be there. Aunty was in church and she & Aunty Alice came over here to dinner. They went back before tea however as Aunty Alice has a bad cold and didn't want to be out after sundown. Dad went down to church to night and around to see them. They expect to leave for the West to-morrow night. They were able to get cheap tickets after all. This evening Eulah & I played a few duets but the parlor was pretty cold so I spent the rest of the evening practicing on the fiddle. Last night was the first time I ever tried it so didn't