

Thursday February 25<sup>th</sup>

This morning we put the pork in the smoke house and Dad started a fire in the old iron pot we got from Butcher's. He thought it would make a fine fire box as there is a big hole in the bottom of the side which he thought would be for a damper (which it certainly did). He went out after dinner to see it and the pot had melted a hole in the ice for the smoke house had been flaked and when the pot sunk the water ran in the hole and put the fire out. This afternoon I started to tidy up the Shop and Dad and I cut a little wood. To night Dad & I walked down to see Aunty & Aunty Alice and Dad got his hair cut. They are staying up at Cousin Loll's for a day or two & Cousin Loll & Willie have gone to Toronto to see Hugh. They thought it very queer that last night Cousin Loll dreamt all night about Hugh. She thought he had come home and it was so real she woke up and got up, then went to sleep again and dreamt the same thing over again, so she thought surely she would get a letter to day from him but was disappointed. But late this afternoon Cousin Willie came up and said Hugh had just telephoned him from Toronto as he was there on business but wouldn't have time to come to Dover so wanted

them to go down there. Cousin Willie had planned to go down anyway to a board of trade meeting so Cousin Loll went with him this morning - and they expect to be back to morrow night. Aunty & Aunty Alice expect to leave for the West Monday night. Tom Abbot and Billy Hannon were in this afternoon Tom's mare has flatulent Colic which is the same as Tupper's horse died of the other day so poor Tom was pretty frightened and wanted Dad to go down but Dad gave him some medicine instead. It has been much colder and very blustry with snow today.

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Dad and I cut some wood this morning besides doing up the chares. This afternoon we were preparing to go over and pay Tupper a visit when Tom Abbot came in to get Dad to go down and see Maude so we all walked down there. Judging from appearances Maude didn't seem in bad health except that she was a little bloated, but she was active and attentive and didn't seem in any pain however Dad left Tom some medicine and advice. It was after five when we got home I went down to the Men's missionary banquet for supper. I bought a ticket from Dick for fifty ct the other day so thought I had better use it. The cadets waited on the table and as I happened