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some snow. We were going to haul a load of rails up  
this afternoon but Huly came over to tell Dad. that the town  
ship council was meeting this afternoon and Hammond  
sent word over for Dad. to come down and see about his  
tapes so Dad. went but found it was the same mistake  
in the assessment which the town council was going to rectify  
but he saw the assessor and had the pleasure of telling him  
what he thought of him. When he came home Jack Martin came  
over to look at the warblers and said he could pick twenty  
out of the lot. George hard all day but wind not so strong.

Wednesday December 16<sup>th</sup>  
Dad. and I hooked up to the hob. sleigh before dinner  
and hauled up a load of rails. After dinner we went down  
to the mill and got a couple of hundred of oat chaff. for the  
pigs. Then I filled up the ~~three~~ days accumulation of  
manure in the horse stable into the hob sleigh and Dad  
hauled it over to the potato pit. When he came up we  
hauled the manure spreader from the shed at the cow  
stable over to the shed at the big barn. We did chores  
early and I went to dinner to-night. Aunt. didn't  
come over so I went alone. We had a good drill after  
which I went over to the rink for a minute or two they  
have started skating up there. Mrs. Mc Bride was  
here all day. not quite so cold or windy to day.

Thursday December 17<sup>th</sup>  
Dad. and I went back to John Wess' line and got  
another load of rail this morning. We didn't do  
any thing much but chores this afternoon. Aunt  
was over to dinner but went back again. Dick  
told us that Dave Waddle would be over in the  
morning to butcher hogs. much milder today sunny but still frozen.  
The German's bombarded two of their towns on the English coast.

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Friday December 18<sup>th</sup>  
Dave Waddle & Powell McIntosh came over this  
morning about ten o'clock armed with a rifle and numerous  
pig killing utensils. We let the pigs out of the pen two  
at a time and Dave shot them & struck them. He only  
had to shoot one twice. They had the whole pair  
all dressed by twelve o'clock - and wouldn't stay to  
dinner nor take any pay. Sid. Mc Bride came in  
as they left and I paid him for the chicken feed. We  
then measured the fence along the road and Dad. ordered  
120 rods of fence from him. This afternoon we hooked up  
to the wagon and Dad. Frank and I went down with  
Hubert pig. It was the biggest we'd dressed 120 lbs. Very  
much milder to day. - and nice out.

Saturday December 19<sup>th</sup>  
It was snowing hard when we got up this morning  
and there was quite a wind. It was very soft and  
hasn't frozen all day but is freezing to-night.  
We moved the calf this morning from the horse stable  
over to the barn and put the calts in. We also cleaned out  
the rabbit's pen. Chris told us he was coming over to get  
some of them this morning. He didn't come till to night.  
and as it was getting dusk he only picked out 16. This  
afternoon we hooked up for Ginger to the hob sleigh  
and the whole family went down town. We left in  
Aunt's care at Hubert's and Aunt. Alice who got back  
on the noon train went up with us. Dad. went in to Moses  
and got me ~~assess~~ for a suit which Dick is going to have made  
for him. Aunt. supplying the stuff. He then went down and  
cut up Hubert's pig for him while Grand and I brought  
the team home.