

Maudie didn't feel very well but managed to get over  
Dad drove them all back again to night. In the afternoon  
we had a little tree for Liddams and Huly was Santa Claus  
Nobody got as good as any presents (which was arranged before  
hand) but Liddams & Lulu. Aunt Alice did get us hats  
some socks etc. but said they weren't Christ was present.  
Junt, Liddams & I went to sleep to night in the dining room  
and the rest of the family played "Pit" in the kitchen. Jerry &  
Dick went down town after dinner and didn't get back till  
late when it was discovered that Jerry's ear was frozen.  
Beautiful day. Clear and frosty but sunny.

Saturday December 26<sup>th</sup>

I did Chores principally to-day and Dad & Frank cut  
down the old snow apple tree in the orchard. Jerry got up about  
noon and he had an ear on him as big as a turnip and  
a great big blister on it. Dad opened it and found it  
was so badly frozen that poor Jerry had to stay in the  
house all day. I guess it was pretty slow but at half  
starved Englishman drifted in here looking for work  
and entertained him while he was getting warm and  
eating enough to do him as he said himself till tomorrow  
morning. Auntie went down town and told us when she came home  
that some farmer had telephoned in to say that this Englishman  
was sure left him and stole all there was in the house. Dick came  
home to tea but had to go back again. Huly & Junt came over  
after tea to catch the little pigeons for a match but could only  
get two as they roosted so high up in the barn. They came  
in and played "Pit" with us for quite awhile. They say  
it was down to 20° below zero last night but has been  
a beautiful sunny, still but frosty day. Snowed a little this afternoon.

Sunday December 27<sup>th</sup>

We didn't get up till late this morning so Dad & I didn't

get to church at all. Auntie walked down to Sunday School  
and I drove Enah and Frank down to church. Dad drove after them  
at noon. Dick and Jerry spent the morning & bed and the afternoon  
and evening down town. I fooled around and did Chores  
all the afternoon. Not so cold to day but windy & cloudy.

Monday December 28<sup>th</sup>

We got a late start again this morning. Dad & Frank  
went back to the woods and got some more poplar poles. I  
went over to Jack Martin's and settled up with him. He  
gave me a check for \$9.00. Neil Elliott came to look at Charlotte  
but didn't want to give \$60.00 for so Dad thought he would  
keep her and we'll get calf and make enough out of the  
cream all winter to pay for keeping her, although she isn't a  
very heavy milker. This afternoon Dad intended to go down to  
Nomination but Tom told us this morning that Mr. Tom's  
funeral was this afternoon at two o'clock. Right after dinner  
I drove Enah and Jerry down town and when I got back Dad took  
Joe to go to the funeral but Tom had been here and said he had  
been mistaken and it was at one o'clock so Dad met them at the  
Abbeydinghill and went to the cemetery with them and brought  
Enah and Liddams home with him from town. To night Dad,  
Frank and I went down to town nomination but there was no  
for Nyse was the only speaker to amount to anything and will  
probably go in again by acclamation. He brought up one little  
incident of a private nature to spite L. G. Moss in for the articles  
appearing in the Maple Leaf last summer but Murray got up  
and took Jerry's part and explained the case satisfactorily. Mild day.

Tuesday December 29<sup>th</sup>

We did Chores this morning and this afternoon I drove Auntie  
Auntie Alice down town in the hick-sleigh. They are going to stay  
down for awhile to call. Jerry & Frank went back to the woods