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1881. 30 & 31 DAYS. NOVEMBER & DECEMBER.

28. MONDAY. [332-33]

At Uncle Williams thrashing. The thrashing went well, ran steady all day.

Beautiful winter day & good sleighing

29. TUESDAY. [333-32]

Thawing so our sleighing is going. Drawing in turnips and a very pleasant day for the work. Got in remainder of <sup>longest</sup> put in Orchard 10 loads so there will be about 22 loads in it now & it would hold more yet.

I hope we will now have some just as far as drawing in turnips is concerned. The rest of the labouring man is sweet.

30. WEDNESDAY. [334-31]

St. Andrew's Day.

Snow all gone & quite a mist this morning. We were fixing roothouse roof putting shingles on under beam of stable. Filled space with mortar then drove the shingles up amongst it. We put on 3 courses. Spingled top of spout & put zinc on each side of it. This has been a fine mild day & suited our work well.

1. DECEMBER-THURSDAY. [335-30]

The first day of the last month. Time's over on the wing. Gathred up lumber round root house (& making sides where eaves was before then) banked up both ends & stilled along side with the earth which came out of foundation. Afternoon shut up the top of mangold pit put saw-dust in spout of roothouse, cleaned 3 bus peas Willi thrashed today, & plastered some cracks in horse stable to use up some left mortar. Evening mended ceiling of kitchen which came down. Father made plaster today. Then

2. FRIDAY. [336-29]

Plastered up some more cracks in stable had one bucket full of mortar. Took in potatoes one barrel in roothouse & pedis in garret. Afternoon took home some balsam trees Father & Willi lifted at beaver meadow to plant at roadside. Then put 5 loads manure on garden patch & ploughed it in. Father planted the balsams. Fine fresh day

3. SATURDAY. [337-28]

Ploughed land of sod as garden was too small then drew stones for watering place 5 loads which will make it all right I think. Afternoon split wood & banked up house wheeling the earth from old barn. Fine fresh day. Willi was thrashing peas.

4. SUNDAY. 2 in Advent. [338-27]

Mr. Currier's text today Romans 5<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>. The last thing you can get the natural man to believe is that God loves him. Notice first the objects of Gods love. Unworthy you unworthy me. God loved us in our sin not on account of it but notwithstanding. For all imperient sinners, willing & willing to pardon & provided a Saviour. Notice next the price God has given of his love The Gift of his dear son. Men will never get another & this is sufficient. The text says he died for us willingly died in our room & stead. None of Gods creatures could have taken our place, nor manifested his great love. God himself sacrificed for us.

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