

home till morning" for him, he said it was pretty poor playing and sounded to him just like "To hell with Bill Longo, To hell with Bill Gump". When we went over to Billy's he took us in and fed us up properly. I had got pretty well filled up before though so didn't partake of much. We were there quite awhile and on coming out travelled down street in any old order playing "Marching through Georgia" and such airs as we didn't need music for. I know I was coming down Main street behind Carl who banged the drum, with Harry Moon ahead of me and leads out other parts both ahead and behind. It was getting late but at the door of the Dominion we found George Hammon and someone had heard his brother Aitken by 109 votes so we went inside and kicked up a little row in honor of him Grandy who was last on the list of township Councillors was also there. Hammond bought cigars but I had enough alone. We played the "Campbells are comin'" in Indian fashion on one note with out musical. Harry struck the note but neither of us as far as the weather was concerned, and a beautiful night, clear, frosty remembered the name of it. I got Eb which sounded about like Harry's and played it all through finding out after while that it was the wrong note the right one being Ab. but Erath said that it would not be a discord although I guess it wouldn't have mattered much if it was and maybe would have been better to give the desired bagpipe effect. We then broke up, and went home.

I picked Dick up as at least he fell in with me as he had been spending the evening at the Dyes and we got home about twelve. Every body was in bed of course but Dad. was not asleep as he was brooding over the

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elections, the only bright spot in the whole day for him was a little incident this morning. When he was coming down Main street after leaving Frank at school old man Stinger hailed him and asked him for a ride downtown. Dad. pulled up and growled at him to get in and then said he supposed he was going down to kill his (Dad's) vote "Oh!" says old Henry "I don't know". "Well I know" Dad said good and savagely "darned well you are". They hadn't got quite to old Henry's place and hadn't gone half a block when he thought he would like to get out home and change his clothes, but Dad. assured him that his clothes were plenty good enough for the man he was going to vote for, however the old boy disengaged and told Dad. he thought he had met him a little rough he had always had a great admiration for him. Dad. said he had a mighty queer way of showing it. But what tickled Dad. about it was that Jack Martin told him to-night that old Henry has told the tale among the Dyebrites. It has been a pretty nice day and moonlight. I think it froz pretty hard before midnight judging from the looks of things and the way the boxes in the sidewalks scrunched and creaked, I didn't feel a bit cold although I had no overcoat or gloves on I think it turned milder towards morning.

Tuesday January 4th

Dad. drove the boys down this morning and got a sack of flour Mrs. Tompkins and his man came while he was gone but they