

Tuesday January 18<sup>th</sup>

Last night the mercury reached the zero mark and it has been pretty cold all day although sunny and no wind. It was too cold to husk corn so we didn't do anything all day but Chase I didn't go over to the farm till about five o'clock this afternoon (I spent the forenoon there) and then just sat around and read the paper till Chase time. Dad went down to Aunt's before dinner and this afternoon he went over to see John West for night. Mary and I went to a skel party at Cousin Clare's where we had a nice time and came home fairly early. Aunt's, Miss. Wiltha, Win, Lila, Leticia Smith, Jack, M. Donald & Frank were the other guests. We came home across the pond and found the two bits of planks that had disappeared from the vicinity of the boat house. On the far side of the pond being used for a seat around the fire. The pond was deserted so we brought them home. Mary hasn't felt very well to-day and spent most of her time braiding rags to make a beautiful mat. She had Uncle Ward & Will Wood to call on her this afternoon.

Wednesday January 19<sup>th</sup>

Mary didn't feel very well this morning so I took her breakfast up to her in bed. It was the first

time I had ever done such a thing but she said it was all right. I got some bread and butter and a shredded wheat biscuit and ate my breakfast with her. When I came home at noon she was still in bed so I guess had a good rest. It was pretty nice all day to-day so we didn't do much but Chase, Dad and I carried hay over from the big barn then tacked some tar-paper on the north end of the barn out side along Moonshine's stall as it was pretty draughty in that corner. I didn't go over to the farm after dinner till late and then Mary went with me and practiced till we got the choros done, when we came home had tea and spent the evening she making her mat and reading aloud from "Sonia".

Thursday January 20<sup>th</sup>

It rained & blew mild during the night and rained a little but has been a beautiful spring like day, sunny and mild with a little mild breeze. Frank went over to see Wilbur Reppe this morning and he said he would come over tomorrow and slay our pigs. We husked corn most of the day and got quite a lot done. To-night Mary and I went to Aunt's for tea. Mary went down in the afternoon and got a shower to take to Laurel Wisener's kitchen shower to-night. She went up and called for Win to go to the shower. I went