

I got back it was pretty late so I just took Back Jack Martin's skips and Guambur's chain and did chores. Quint and Frank set a basket full of corn and then set some traps back in the gully. There has been a cold wind to day and it has been freezing in the shade all day.

Thurs day November 18<sup>th</sup>

Dad. has been over at Gupper's all day thrashing. He says the stuff is in awful shape. It is full of thistles and weeds and is so tough they can hardly stick a fork in it. This morning I didn't do much but chores, and clean up around the wood shed. Quint wanted to go for a ride so I put the little saddle on Joe and he took her down town and back. When he got back the saddle blanket was gone and he hadn't missed it. He said she nearly put him off once and just about got away from him. He and I walked back the road to look for the blanket and found it hanging on the side walk railing below Marshall's place. After dinner Quint helped me stand all the rails up that were out in the pile in front of the shop and we got it slicked up nicely. Quint went down about three o'clock I quit early to do chores and about half past five left for Woodhouse to a chicken pie social. I picked Mary up

on the way and we had a hot time. When we got there the place was crowded and I couldn't get Joe in the sheds but got her in a sheltered spot. We had to get in line for supper and were nearly squashed flat. After about an hour's waiting we got in to the dining hall where we had a sumptuous repast of roast chicken and then had to wait another hour for the programme to commence, but we were lucky enough to get good seats so enjoyed ourselves. The entertainers were principally composed of Dovesites, and all came up in a load. Essie presided at the organ and the male quartette did most of the singing. Mrs. J. H. Butler also performed several times and Miss M. Gilroy from Simcoe also sang. Frank Reed was chairman and Mr. Guff and all the Methodist preachers was the country spoke, it was about twelve o'clock when we got out, and Joe didn't seem in a mood to travel very fast so it was after one when I got home. We came down the Radical as there was no other traffic on it. It has been a beautiful day and a very mild night. It started to rain a little about midnight and was raining quite hard when I got home.

Friday November 19<sup>th</sup>

I had to go over to Sam Laws to thrash this morning.