

(Erie) for eight dollars, he was big but very thin. Dad. took some oats and barley down to the mill to be chopped just before dinner. Aunty went down town to get some flowers for Mrs. Morgan's funeral. Frank came home at noon and is to have a half holiday, as Mr. Smith had to go to Captain M. Jolly's funeral this afternoon. Allan Law came in after dinner and said he was going to take his seed to Jarvis in the morning so I am going with him and taking care, I settled up with him for threshing and he didn't charge anything for hauling the rice, so we got it pretty cheap, as Val. didn't charge for cutting it. Dad. & I went down town after some cold oil and came around by the mill and got our chop and then loaded on our seed. We started to have a musical evening but Liddams opposed us and had to have refreshments. Colder to-day with cold easterly wind, getting stormy in the night.

Saturday February 22nd

We got up before day light this morning as I expected to go to Jarvis with Allan Law, but he never turned up, we supposed on account of the weather. Dad. informed us this morning that the old sow had a big litter of piglets. I have counted them several times during the day

and have come to the conclusion there are thirteen, all healthy and of uniform size. Soon after breakfast young Billy Lewis came after Dad to go and see a sick cow so Frank and I were left with all the undone chores on our hands, but we got them off in good shape by noon, besides throwing off what was left of the load of the blue grass standing on the barn floor. Dad. got home about noon and had to hurry to get down town by one as he had to be here at Mrs. Morgan's funeral. Aunty went down with him. I didn't do much all the afternoon except cut a little wood. The Ryerses came up and Frank went with them back to the gully - as Frank discovered a rabbit hole in the mound. One of our white cats has been sick for the last couple of days and to night has disappeared. We are afraid for good. I read "Our Mutual Friend" all evening and wound up with a bath which nearly killed me. It rained last night and this morn. and has been raining most of the day with several heavy down pours.

Sunday February 23rd

The two boys went to Sunday school. Aunty didn't go, as she has a cold and didn't like to go out in the snow. I went down to church. Winnie came