

Monday December 1st

Hubby came over this morning and we hauled corn stalks all day, we had to run load the load in the barn first thing so didn't get a very early start, as the barn was as full as we wanted to put it, we didn't haul any more in but put up some huge shocks on the clover sod just near the corner of the orchard we put up six of these big shocks with an average of five shocks in each one, we sind them all up tight with a slice of rope before we hauled them with side line or hinder twine. we hault a small shock on the top of one and think we will top them all out as it will keep the water out much better, we have the field more than half cleared and hope to finish to morrow if it is a nice day, Blucher was out there with us this after noon and the three dogs did away with three or four big rats and a number of mice. He minds Hubby pretty well unless he says "Come in" but not so well when he is excited as he chased both Letz and the sheep. Old Mr Rankin was over to see if he could get some corn but Dad. told him he wasn't going to sell any more. Hubby brought word over this morning that Tom Casper and Tom Long wanted some. Tom sent the money so he will have to get his and Charlie too was over this evening to see about no subscribing to the church Dad. gave him a little more than he has been giving and I sent in a little. Aunty Maude got a card from Quint. to-day saying she would be home on Friday. We got a letter from Aunty to-day saying Uncle Hal is pretty sick, having had some kind of a stroke. Mrs. McBrice has been here all day, washing. It has been another lovely day cloudy but very mild.

Tuesday December 2nd

We hauled corn stalks all day and built five more big shocks and topped out two more, we intended to take them all out but found it took to much time, there is just about enough left out there to make another shock and haul a load in the barn. Fug didn't come over to day but the other dogs caught more rats. Hubby & me Black and other lesson this morning on "Come in" and also to come to heel, he took him with the sheep and when Black came beyond his leg he hit him in the face with a switch and say "heel", it didn't take Black long to know what he meant and not bother with the sheep. We had a very entertaining visitation this after noon from three kids. Jimmy Rankin, Jimmy Dickerson and Bobby Lee. The two Jimmys were about six or seven and Bobby's year or so younger. They came over to see Blucher and Jimmy Rankin who was spoken on for the party told Hubby that May wanted him to steal him and bring him home. He was showing us how he had Blucher trained. He could make him sit still by holding his fore finger upright in front of the dog's eye and then sternerly interrogate him "See that finger?" They came through the orchard and scared the sheep so Hubby easily persuaded them not to go that way so the old ram and old sow hid around to gether watching for little boys, the old ram knocked them down and the old sow came right after him and ate them up, she was just finishing the little fellow they got this morning. Jimmy happened to mention that some one had been stealing wool clothes of the line, so Hubby told him that as old Lige Anderson had been so kind as to get rid of Blucher, there was no doubt that he stole the clothes and Hubby also told them that he caught him once stealing his clothes, and got the slot gun to shoot him but when he came out he was gone. Jimmy then remembered seeing Lige with one of his father's shirts and Jimmy Dickerson saw him one day stealing their clothes. We took them out to the field and they will just be preparing for an exciting rat hunt when Bobby got home sick and the other boys had to go home with him. After tea went down town to meet Laurie. She had