

all Baby's family except Aunty Maude who is at Uncle Wess's  
look after Mrs. Seffield who got "tunk had" the other day but is  
now better. We just had tea over here but had a Christmas  
for Sid, and Baby acted as Santa Claus. He nearly gave poor  
Aunt Ida a fit laughing at his actions and words, there was  
quite an array of dandy presents considering nobody was going  
to give any. I drove them all back in the sleigh quite early  
but had to leave Baby at the Sovereigns as Mrs. Seffield  
wouldn't mind them and he had to pretend he was the doctor  
so Win & Lila stayed at Aunty Alice's all night. I had a  
very soft and mild all day but is colder to night.

Sunday December 26<sup>th</sup>

Dad & Frank stayed home this morning and Enah and I  
walked down to church. The choir was out in its new "show"  
as what is called the surplis. This afternoon Dad & I  
walked over to Frank Copley's to see his bull but weren't very struck  
on him. So night I went down to Aunty Alice's to tea and to church.  
Went up to Baby's after church and was there quite while as Win  
was there all alone. Lovely day bright and colder than yesterday.

Monday December 27<sup>th</sup>

Dad and I went down to nomination this afternoon but

It was pretty ~~slow~~ <sup>slow</sup> receive & Councillors went in by acclamation  
receive in Gilbert and some old council except Nath. Butts who takes  
Gilbert's place. Frank and I went down to night to our nomination and  
it was much more fun Billy Lums & Bill Coley nearly got into a scuffle  
Payse and old Walker are going to run again for receive. Knowing to night

Tuesday December 28<sup>th</sup>

Dad & I went over to John Wess this morning to see his bull  
and stayed over there till one o'clock watching John Wess & Robert  
John Watson kill a pig. This afternoon Dad went up to see Ham  
Thompson's bull and Frank went skating. I did chores.  
So night Dad and I went down and stayed at Aunty Alice's. Nice day.

Wednesday December 29<sup>th</sup>

Dad and I went down to Caledonia this morning to see Mr.  
Douglas. He came in for us in a cutter and we spent the whole  
day out there as it was a terrible day a regular blizzard cold  
and wind and snow. While we were there two fellows Mr. Butts & son  
drove down from Paris (24 miles) in the teeth of the gale, there were  
two other batches of visitors there relations of the Douglas's so there  
was a house full, but we had a good look at the stock  
and a great visit with Douglas and Dad. was highly  
delighted with the cattle. Douglas drove us in after we had