

¹³ I did chores and this morning built a hopper in the chicken shed and filled it with twenty five lbs of rolled oats and three or four lbs of beef scrap and they seemed very greedy for it. Eunah drove down town this morning and brought Cousin Clare over. She was here all day. There was an extra dinner to night for the recruits but it was so late when we got through that I didn't go up.

Friday December 11th

Dad. got in a full day again to day. I went back for awhile this morning and this afternoon I hooked up Trellie to the democrat and drove County Alice over to Mrs. Cook's and went around by Guppys and borrowed Charlie Butler's sidehill plow. Dad. says it saves a lot of carrying furrows but is very awkward. and it is impossible to do a nice job with it. what bothers him most is seeing the furrow go to the left sunny day.

Saturday December 12th

Dad. plowed all day again and John Weeks came over and helped him all day. so they got on fine. I did chores and puttered around. Frank went down with Trellie and the democrat and got the box which Cousin Maggie Hyde sent to us. it contained a lot of old family treasures of G's older brother. There was a pair of old hoslers, an old sword, a revolver of ancient pattern an old portable desk with some old papers and photographs in it some old silver ware and a few books and papers. Ruby & Nila came over with Frank. and Ruby hulled corn all the afternoon. I got four eggs yesterday which is the most I have got yet. but none at all today. Not so sunny but not cold.

¹⁴ Sunday December 13th
Dad. and Frank went down to Sandusky school and I drove down to church this afternoon. Aunty and I drove out to the Sniff this to night. I walked down to church and Aunty & Aunt Alice went down to Hulip's as County Alice wants to be down there tomorrow to get ready for her trip to Ingerville to see Uncle Hals sister. Dad. went down to Alfred's to night and found Blakie down there so had quite a long visit. It has been snowing pretty much all day. It was coming down very thickly this afternoon and evening. and when I came home it was very soft, the water was dripping into the cistern.

Monday December 14th

When we got up this morning we found it had turned much colder and quite a strong wind had got up. The wind kept up all day and was terrific to night and it was also very cold but sunny and freezing way hard to night. Dad. & I went back this morning and checked the horses all up and put them in the barnyard. We put Ginger in but the others stayed out all night. We took Charlie Butler's side hill plow and put it through the fascia on to the road and then came up and harked up the team to the buck sleighs and to it home to Guppys and on our way back got our own plow and took it up. This afternoon we did chores principally. Blakie came in to tea. Mint came over to go to Simcoe with me but it was so windy & cold we didn't go. I went down town with him after tea and we were both glad we decided not to go. We went up to Gip's and I bought myself a pretty nice over coat for 13.00. I hung around town awhile and went down to Hulip's for a little while.

Tuesday December 15th

We did chores principally to day. and I shovelled