

### ***12/01/11 Friday***

Buttiful day. Came up got Sammy and carried her over home with me. Married Hattie Burgess and Albert Marriner. Went out gunning for a little while tonight.

### ***12/02/11 Saturday***

Bully day. Came down to the office this morning. Took my mail round and hurried back home to Sammy. Tonight we have been having a hot old game of checkers.

### ***12/03/11 Sunday***

Fair and cold. Went out with my gun for a little while but nothing much doing. Fired at one partridge but no kind of luck. Sammy is still over home with me.

### ***12/04/11 Monday***

Clear and very cold. Came up home tonight and Herb and I went deer hunting. I shot and killed a big four year old buck down on the old Hill place with my new light Ithica shotgun.

### ***12/05/11 Tuesday***

Clear and cold. Came up home got my Sammy and carried her over home with me. Gee wasn't she some surprised when I took her down seller and showed her the deer. Horace Miller operatid on at Belfast for rupture.

### ***12/06/11 Wednesday***

Another nice day clear and cold. Sammy went home this morning. The surveyers for the MCRR are running a line down by the Coleman Pond over the old Bucklin survey. Fred Patten died.

### ***12/07/11 Thursday***

Clear and cold, nice day. Came up home and Herb and I went and laid out for deer. No luck. Herb, Father and John Thomas see three deer this afternoon over on Witham's hill.

### ***12/08/11 Friday***

Fair nice day. Came up home this afternoon and went gunning. Stayed by the old Hills place till eleven o'clock, nothing doing, waited but come no deer. Died David Mansfield.

### ***12/09/11 Saturday***

Rain like hell all day long. Came up home got Sammy she came over home with me. Abb and Herb went to Belfast today and that's why it's rained so hellish.

### ***12/10/11 Sunday***

A buttiful warm summerlike day. Very warm. Went chopping firewood down on Herb Thomas and my Sammy and Deedy came down and piled up wood for me.

### ***12/11/11 Monday***

Very warm, awfull traveling, mud about six inches deep. Father carried Sammy home this morning and got Molly shod. New behind. Did not get back to the office till three o'clock. Paid Goodwin my tax \$5.91.

## ***12/12/11 Tuesday***

Another hell of a day. Very very warm and mud ankle deep over the whole route. Did not get in till 3:15 today. Stopped down at Emry's tonight. Just wish I was out with my small Sammy.

## ***12/13/11 Wednesday***

And still it is hellish warm and muddy. Was 6 ¼ hours making my trip today. No letter stiddy drag all the way. Herb went to Belfast with the cow they killed yesterday. Wrote to my Sammy this morning.

## ***12/14/11 Thursday***

Froze a little last night but it has been hellish traveling today for all of that. Stopped down tonight, set up two stoves in our new home. Got a bully nice letter from Sammy.

## ***12/15/11 Friday***

Snow all day long a fine soft drizzle and tonight it is coming down thick and fast. Bought a woodsaw of Herb Thomas today. One dollar. Sent Sammy a letter just wish I was out with her tonight I do. Dr. Ham broke his leg today.

## ***12/16/11 Saturday***

Snow a little. Came up got Sammy she went over with me. Instantly killed in East Seasmont yesterday morning by accidently discharge of his shotgun EA Hall. Age 19 years. The charge took him fair under the chin. Bert Thomas and Dud Tower killed a big buck deer up by O. Gould's.

## ***12/17/11 Sunday***

Snow all day long, not cold. Hope it will make sleighing. Just lay around home today and took it easy. Still snowing tonight and not a bit of wind Horroh.

## ***12/18/11 Monday***

Fair and dumed. Came up home this afternoon. My wife is still thear. Took my gun and went out a little while this evening. Nothing doing. Went in a sleigh. First trip this winter.

## ***12/19/11 Tuesday***

Clear and cold. Came up home this afternoon carried Sammy over to her home tonight. Got a lot of things for our home. Will bring them down to our house in the morning.

## ***12/20/11 Wednesday***

Clear and cold. Drove from the Beech round home in my sleigh then took my wagon for the rest of it. Stopped down tonight. Bert Thomas is going to get Sammy tonight and they all go to Belfast tomorrow.

## ***12/21/11 Thursday***

Fine day not very cold. Sammy went to Belfast today with Bert and with Abbie to do her Christmas shopping. I went up to our new home and put the lining in our range. Came out home tonight.

### ***12/22/11 Friday***

Fair nice day but tonight it is raining very hard. Have been down to the office all the evening sorting Christmas mail. My cancellation today was just three dollars. Bert carried Sammy home this afternoon.

### ***12/23/11 Saturday***

Rain this morning very hard. So I hired a covered wagon from Furnell for two bits and went in that. Stopped at the office till after the four o'clock mail then came up and got Sammy. She went over with me.

### ***12/24/11 Sunday***

Fair and warm nice day. Sammy, Deedy and I went on a long tramp way down in the Big Woods, built fires and had a slick time. Mr. and Mrs. French up home took dinner today.

### ***12/25/11 Monday***

Nice day, went down to the Beech this morning, took my mail out and hurried back to Sammy's, took supper with her and tonight we went to the dance at the Grange Hall. Small crowd forty couples.

### ***12/26/11 Tuesday***

Clear and warm fine day. Came up to my Sammy's this evening, brought up a load of grane. Sammy's about half sick, bad cold, got it at the dance, so she did not go over home with me tonight.

### ***12/27/11 Wednesday***

Did it rain! Well some and has kept it up all day long. Clear tonight and warm. Bustid a wagon wheel today, both tire and rim. Percy Cross sold my two mink for me in New York got \$5.70 pretty good for unprime skins.

### ***12/28/11 Thursday***

Fair and very cold and the wind has blown like hellen blazes all day. This afternoon I went up to our new home, built a fire and hung curtains. Wrote Sammy this morning but wish I was out with her tonight.

### ***12/29/11 Friday***

Bitter cold and it has blown one of the worst gales of wind we ever had. And I am down here at the French house while my own little wife Sammy is a way out in the country. We were married ten weeks ago tonight.

### ***12/30/11 Saturday***

Fair and cold. Came up and got Sammy carried her home with me. Have a big long vacation coming to me two whole days. Had 6572 pieces of mail this month, biggest ever.

### ***12/31/11 Sunday***

Snow about all day but only a little fell and tonight it is raining a little. Sammy and I have just lay round the house today read and restid.



