

12/01/08 Tuesday

One of the most perfect days. Fair and as warm as a day in May. Great. Went to a Whist party tonight at Miss Foster's and nearly froze coming home. The weather has turned bitter cold tonight.

12/02/08 Wednesday

Clear, brisk west wind. Awfull rough roads and bitter cold. Just wish I was in Dixey. Got a letter from Sammy this afternoon.

12/03/08 Thursday

Clear and very cold. This morning it was only 8 above zero. The coldest this fall. Damn such weather anyway.

12/04/08 Friday

Overcast. Snow squalls and a much warmer day than we have had for the last week. And tonight it is raining hard and I wish I was out home with Sammy. I do.

12/05/08 Saturday

Clear and cold. Abbie sick with some devli's desice. Scarlet fever we think. Went over to Sammy's tonight and we had a fire in the sitting room. Just a fine time.

12/06/08 Sunday

Buttiful clear and cold. This morning the glass down to zero. Spent the day with Sammy and had a fine visit. Came home this evening.

12/07/08 Monday

Commenced to snow at 4 o'clock this morning. Turned to rain about 8 and god but this has been an awfull day. Rain and blow all day. Bought bush corn \$.80. Paid board today \$15.75.

12/08/08 Tuesday

Fair and quite warm and what do you think Dr. Armstrong came over home today and closed the house. The damn fool ? Abbie has had scarlet fever. Now wouldn't that bump? one

12/09/08 Wednesday

One perfect day not too cold just fine. But hell was to pay and I had to go without my dinner Woe is me. Sent order to Sears Roebuck \$6.03. Paid Dr. Small \$4.

12/10/08 Thursday

Fair and bitter cold. Went out to Goodwins tonight and got Dandy shod with never slip shoes \$3. Also got the stuff Goodwin got for me in Boston. \$3.45

12/11/08 Friday

Bitter cold this morning and snowing hard and it has kept it up all day. But its moderated and tonight it rains. Sent order to Montgomery Ward today \$2.40. Lucy Pendleton buried today.

12/12/08 Saturday

Sleigh first time. A damned pasty snowy day just shi-. Went in a sleigh stayed down

tonight. Started to drive out see Sammy in the morning.

12/13/08 Sunday

Nice warmish day. Went out to Sammy's this morning. Put my hourse in Josh's barn and that darn stinker went away in my sleigh so I had to come down in his old box.

12/14/08 Monday

Fine day fair and warm. Just buttiful sleighing. Fine it is and don't I wish it could remain so all winter.

12/15/08 Tuesday

Paid L.E. Pitcher for hay \$7.75 that settles him. Born to Herbert and Sarah McKinney another girl. [HERBERT IS VESTA'S BROTHER AND POSSIBLY "SMIKE"] Warm and snow all day long. Covered my trip in a covered sleigh. Walter Richards came up today. Poor divel couldn't go home on account of the quarantine.

12/16/08 Wednesday

Fair buttiful day clear and not too cold. Sent to Sears Roebuck for a new pair of uniform pants \$4.

12/17/08 Thursday

Fair clear and very cold and the very best of sleighing. Just perfect. Now this is the night of Lena McKinney's lottery dance. I have a ticket but Sammy can't go so I won't be a smarty cat. No no no

12/18/08 Friday

This has been a pretty good day but quite sharp and raw. This afternoon it commenced snowing and tonight oh my it's a powerful bad storm. Married Orville Young and Marchie Wellman.

12/19/08 Saturday

Fair and a nice day. I went to Camden tonight. Came up to Vesta's over the Turnpike. Spent about \$15 on Christmas stuff. Came down to Josh's put my hourse up there tonight. Died Jula Nichols.

12/20/08 Sunday

Fair and a darned nice day. Have been working like divil on Pyro [WOODBURNING?] all day. Came down to the Beach tonight. [DRAWING]

12/21/08 Monday

Snow just cussed about all day. Damned such weather anyway. Sammy went up to Herb's to work today. Bag oats \$1.70.

12/22/08 Tuesday

Fair and cold as the dickens. Been buying a lot of stuff tonight. Have got it about all finished.

12/23/08 Wednesday

Clear and cold as the divil. And this is Christmas time. Such a mess of stuff is being sent, more this year than ever before.

12/24/08 Thursday

Bitter cold this morning but warm tonight. I got a few presents today. A book from Sam and Edith, pipe briar from Emery, pair of nice dress gloves Mrs. French, and a box of stationary from Mrs. Wade.

12/25/08 Friday

Christmas. Buttiful warm fair day. We have a heap of Christmas goods. Sammy and I went to a dance tonight at the Grange Hall. Sammy wore her new princess dress and looked elegant.

12/26/08 Saturday

Fair and warm and I am so sleepy, only slept a couple of hours this morning. Stayed down in this hell hole tonight. My poor little Sammy is at the house of too much trouble.

12/27/08 Sunday

Tis a fine warm day. I drove up to Herb's this morning. Herb and I went fishing got nothing. Sammy and I went down to her home for a little while this evening.

12/28/08 Monday

Fair and not very cold. Nice traveling. Went out to Goodwins tonight got Tim shod \$.50. Born to Orville Young and bride of 10 days a girl. God but that is the quickest work on record. 10 days oh god.

12/29/08 Tuesday

Barn fire. Buttiful fair day. Great. I was powerful sick last night. One of my cussed headaches. The barn on the old Rankin place burned this morning. Two hourses and four cows lost. Kismet.

12/30/08 Wednesday

Cold this morning down to zero and now tonight it is raining hard. And I did so want to go out and see Sammy tomorrow night. Shelah.

12/31/08 Thursday

Fair and warm and awfully icy. This is the last night of the old year and I am not with Sammy. God. Tonight Emery and I went to Camden and got a quart of live bait. Mummy chubs.

