

Marathon. He has a very nice wagon-buggy with wooden springs.

Jan. 14. Cold. Wind blows. Took the girls over to schoolhouse. B. M's. are boarding hands for the S. & B. R. R. Keech came here. Spelling school at our school.

Jan. 15. Snowed all day very slowly. Keech went down to H. P. Jones to purchase his farm, but did not purchase anything. John asks \$700.00 for the grandfather place. Keech offered him \$650.00. Marion Ryan came over at night and the boys went up to Gee Hill schoolhouse.

Jan. 17. Children all at school. Sewing society at H. P. Jones. John and Ryan went down to Jonathan Ryans to a party. Willie Moore here with a load of potatoes. Put potatoes in our cellar. Spelling school in Tyler schoolhouse.

Page 172. Jan. 1855. Virgil. A. M. Ehle from Mohawk here on Surrogate business.

Jan. 19. Willie Moore and Mary came down with a load of goods. Father's last and only Uncle on his father's side was named Huck Gerrit, is dead. Died some three or four years ago. My grandmother's name on my father's side was named Hilts. She has two brothers alive. Living in Cooperstown. Her father lived at Little Falls, N. Y. He was very well off and lived to an old age. Grandmother Moore's name was Scott. I think my great grandfather had brothers but cannot tell their names on Father's side. My grandfather on my father's side was House, married Kiltz. Had John, Conrad, Phillip and George and Gerritt and two daughters, Mary and Catherine all of whom are alive. My grandfather on my Mother's side was Moore. He had three sons, George, Grove and Zopher and five ~~xxxxxx~~ daughters, Mary, Julia, Flora, Cornelia and Lura. Dora and Zopher are dead, all remaining are alive.

Jan. 25. John, Leamon, Rosanna, Lura, Darling girls and myself all went down to Ryans. I haven't read in as many as six days. Day before yesterday I bought a new shawl for Lura. Cost seven dollars, purchased of a peddler. Bought also a gold finger ring, paid 75 cents for same. I have been studying spelling for a few days. I have learned to spell all the words in the trouble table of Sanders spelling book, and all the proper names. I went to Church last Sunday and heard Elder Darling. He did well. I had a letter from O. A. He has adjourned his suit until the 10th of March 1855.

Page 173. Virgil, Jan. 26, 1855. Stormy and blowed hard. Snowed. I went to a donation party of Elder Darling's. It was a large party. A good many there but most of them were young and the Elder did not receive a very large sum, about forty-five dollars. Bunk and Bill Benton were over to buy our Dick horse yesterday. They offered \$105. We asked him \$115. He would have given \$110. Waited until Saturday to conclude upon taking him for \$115. We would not give in to him.

Jan. 27. Snow upwards of a foot deep. The children are all at school but John. The Elder got about fifty dollars at donation. Our folks are all down with colds.

Sunday. Jan. 28. Snowed and drifted. John, Mr. Ryan, and myself all went over to meeting. Had a first rate meeting. Elder Darling preached. Text 4th Chapter in Hebrew. Ryan has gone down to Thomas Hammond's to-night.

(To board around)