Colby Dec 28th 1892

Dear Sister

I thought I must take time to drop you a line or two I was so tired yesterday I did not try to do much of any thing we did not get home until 10 O'clock that night the train was two hours late it was about four O'clock when we left Fond du Lac we did not go up town at all we went to a hotel near the depot about 9 we went over to the depot and sat there two hours but we was not alone there was quite a lot of people waiting there the train was just done with when the train came in town so we went right home Jamie met us at the depot and said he had a good fire at home in a few minutes Clay and Bert came home and I got supper but it was midnight when we went to bed Hattie had four presents on the tree here she has another breast pin it is a white bar pin quite pretty

she is trying to get her dress together today
her old cat came home in the morning
she saw him coming and called him you
ought to have seen him come she could hear
her voice George has gone to Mansfield
and Spencer today asked him home on
the evening train there is a dance tonight
tonight here he thinks some of going saturday
day perhaps he will be over there again
next week he is to have two weeks vacation
my glass ware came all right nothing broken
found every thing all right at home but I guess
it will take all the rest of the winter to
get the grease rubbed off the floor Bert had
the shelves all straight with clean papers
on them and some bread sausage and cakes
on the table but you would laugh to see
his dish towels I guess they must be in
mourning we could not get the house
good and warm all day yesterday I guess
they did not keep fire much of the time
but it begins to be quite comfortable here
Hattie has been sewing some today

Clay and Jamie saw Henry last sunday morning when he went through here he told them they had better get down there before long if they wanted to see their Grand father for he was a good deal nearer off than Heaven or Earth thought of. It makes one feel sorry every time I think how sad he felt when we left. He smiled and kept the tears back but he said may be he could come up and see us some time next summer.

Well I had a very pleasant visit every body seemed to try to make it pleasant for us I was sorry to leave old friends and was anxious to get home too when we got most to the gate Hattie says "O aint it good to get home" but she liked the folks down there real well. Hopes to come again some time now Hope you can come and see us some time

Well I must stop scribling and go to knitting I had a pair of mittens sent me to knit the next day after I came home want them for a birthday present sandy striped for a large man guess I will not have much time to play We glad I did not come on saturday for they had a wreck in sandy Aunt Sue I would have frightened half to death

Well;

With love.

Happy New

regard to all please write all the news

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