

Meadow Dale
Feb 27. 1906

Dear Roscoe:-

We are all mighty
near snowed up now it
snowed here some last night
and to day and it is about
two inches deep.

We have been making
sugar but it has gotten so
cold that I don't know where
we will get any more molasses.
Old Mr Slavens store
was burned the 12 of this
month about dinner time
and all of us except mam
and Hellen went down
but we could not do any
thing for it was too near
gone it did not take it but

a little bit to burn down he
got most of his money and
his shoe^{up}case out that was all I
think he is keeping the post
office up at the house now.

Mary has pneumonia in
one lung she has just had it
a day or two and I don't know
how bad she is going to be.

We have our ice house full
of ice.

Old Mr Jim Trimble is
very sick with pneumonia.
Mrs Mandy Campbell
died Friday evening at 2
O'clock and was buried
Sunday

John has had a bad cold
but is better.

Holmes just got back from
down the river a little
while ago.

I just spilt a bottle of ink
all over my self.

Miss Hunt has closed school
and has gone home.

Eva has had a bad cold
for several days.

Horner Gum has had another
of his sick spells but is better.
Papa saw in the Times dispatch
that you were on another
debate how did you come off
on it did you get licked
very bad, or did you
do the licking?

I think if it keeps on we
can sleigh ride some before
long.

Mr Pat McNulty is having

his house covered with tin.
Paul and Clay & um ~~to~~
have been at home every since
Christmas and just started
a way to day.

I think that I have told you
all of its ^{news} ~~news~~ that has hapen~~ed~~
lately.

I will stop write soon
your sister
Susan

P.S. 28, Mrs ~~ing~~ Francis Seig
had her sale to day and Holmes
just got back from there she is
going to town to live.
It is auple cold here now.

Dear Rocco,

March 3rd

I'll add some
to Sister's letter. This is Satur-
day & it's pouring the rain
down. Your Papa & the boys are
busy boiling sugar water, have
twelve or fifteen barrels to
boil today the most they gathered
yesterday. We sent over a
hundred pounds of sugar
to the store & have made some
more since besides some syrup
it has not been a good season
so far. The last of Feb. was very
rough weather. There has
been a great deal of sickness
we have had colds & coughs
but nothing serious. John was
sight complaining for several
days, but is better. Mary Slava
has had pleurisy with some
pneumonia but she said, she is

still confined to bed. but doing
very well. Mr Slavin's store burn-
ing was real bad & a pity we
were so sorry about it. I had a
letter from Lizzie the first of the
week. said Mr Hodge was very
much complaining & the Dr
spoke very discouragingly of
his condition. Miss Hunt closed
her school, I think she thinks
~~more~~ about boys than she
does about teaching. she is
dead gone on Dr McIntire
but I expect she is "wasting
her sweetness on the desert air."
we need the boys to help about
sugar making & her mother wanted
her to come home. so it suited
all around to close it. town
girls don't suit for country school
teachers. I think you had better get
through with all your examinations
& not stay for the finals. but come
home as soon as you can get away
& you'll save money too by it.