

Saturday Evening.
Deerfield, Ill.
Feb. 6, 1898

Brother Almon & Ormon:

I suppose you have had several ice water batles by this time. Sam had enough ice making and sleigh riding untill he got home Sunday, it was 7 o clock when he got home.

Sam & Pres started to make wood in Pifferville yesterday; about the fifth stroke Pres made with the ax he cut in his boot, and lucky that he did not cut his foot, but he cut a big hole in his leather boot, so today Pa had to take it to the shoe maker; but they went again, they are cutting down trees now and making it in cord wood.

That cold night Sam went of and when he came home he left the door open and Pa & Ma thought it must be about 30 below zero, they almost froze, so they got up early and when Pa got in the kitchen the door was open, all our flowers froze, even the roots in the ground, the ice hung on the flower pots, everything in the room froze, even the bread in the bread box was frozen.

Did you get a invitation to Eli Ott's wedding. Ma & Pa got an invitation. He is going to get married the seventeenth (17) of Feb. at six o clock. I do not know whether they are going to have a large wedding or not. Eli is going to get married in quite high style, Bishop Esher is going to marry them.

I am going down to the city Tuesday and stay a few days.

Almost every body enjoys a tip over in the snow. John Haage tipped over right in front of our little gate with a big load of wood. Fred, Willie & Johnie Haage and Sam were all on the load when it went over. Lange's tipped over last Sunday with all the women on.

I dont suppose you have time to write home, for you are making ice day and night, Sunday included. I must close for I must get supper as I suppose the boys will be home soon and I want Sam to take this letter over to Deerfield tonight.

Your Sister,
Viola.