February

Sunday Feb. 1st 1891

4½ hrs in cave (Snow Ball route --- 2 trips)

I got up at 5:35 this morning, (the earliest I have got up for a long while), and found it the coldest morning we have had this winter so far. Took a one candle trip in Cave this after noon (2:30) and a 2:00 hr trip in the cave this evening (Both trips were to the Snow Ball Route) I found some decomposed marble that is pretty, and got some blue quartz crystals from rat alley

Monday February 2nd

5½ hrs in cave (Monument Hall Route 2 trips)

Elmer shot 2 rabbit with his rifle this morning when he was hunting up the horse (Fred) he lost last night at Willards. He found the horse in Willard's Barn. At 1:30. P.M. Elmer and I started to our work on the Tobbogan Slide. At 3:40. P.M. we had a three foot hole drilled and I come to the entrance. I returned at the Tobbogan Slide at 4:10 P.M. We fired the first shot and then drilled 16 inches in another hole we intend to fire tomorrow morning
we got out at 7:30. P.M.

Tuesday February 3rd

7 hrs in cave (Monument Hall Route --- 2 trips)

Elmer and I got to work on the top of the Tobbogan Slide at 9:00. A.M. We put in one shot, got it worked out and got out of the cave at 12:00 M. Father and I started to work on the Tobbogan Slide at 1:30. P.M. We drilled 1 hole 22 inches deep. The first shot sprung the rock and chambered the bottom of the hole. The second shot in the same hole loosened the top of the Tobbogan Slide so that we worked off one rock that weighed about 1200 pounds. I got three pieces of Mind Cove marble near Snow Ball Room as I come out. We got out at 6:30. P.M. After supper (which was pretty late) I cut out some pieces of marble and polished one piece