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pa stopped when you went
up north he has got 160 acres
of timber for 600 dollars he
got twelve hundred and 80 dollars
for his farm paid
paid 500 down and the rest in
three years. old Mr. Prouty
and Ed is going to Vermont
day after tomorrow and is going
to be gone a month or two
we killed two hogs yesterday
school commenced last Monday
we all go to school the
children are all well as usual
and little Allie talks a great
deal about her Uncle Allan
she says he is gone in the
cars to get some butter
and see his little boy and
no one ever said butter to her
the children all send love to
all ma and pa both send
love to you and Aunt Ann
give my love to Aunt Ann and
Cousin Allen and take a good
share to your self
write soon

I will send Cousin Allen
a card

Dec. the 17th 1866

As this will reach you
about Christmas allow
me to wish you a merry
and a happy New Year

Dear Uncle Allan

As we have
waited patiently for a letter
from you as we all felt very
anxious to hear of your safe return
home we have been looking for a letter
every mail but have been disappointed
every time ma would have written
last week but she had an ulcerated
tooth which almost put her crazy
she did not sleep half an hour
in four nights but it broke this
morning and she feels a great
deal better we sent that letter
to C. R. Hamlin on the 21st but
no letter has come for you before nor
since and ma wants to know if

you want any thing done about it
we got the corn all husked the
week after you went away but
it seemed very lonesome in the house
for about two weeks after you were
gone but we dont feel ~~same~~ it so
bad now for we have got used
to it you remember the goose
I shot at with your gun the
day before you went away you
also rember that they bit in the
pond near the house where you
are visiting there were light of them
well seven of them flew away
and came the next night and
continued to come every night
for a week well the monday
after you went away two little
girls went down to the pond
and found the goose lying
dead she was wounded in the
back and both legs were broken

the men all about here
said that she was wounded
and could not leave the pond
and that she hid in the day and
came out at night and stayed
with the rest all night for the
seven came at night and stayed
till morning and I guess she
must have starved for she
could not find much in that
pond I brought her home
and weighed her she weighed
ten pounds two ounces ma got
a fine lot of feathers off her
and then we give it to the
hogs I wish I had gone over
there that night and I would
have got her for you Marcus
Waterman has sold out to F. B.
Troutz and is going to move
up to waupaca on the farm
joining pennys where you and