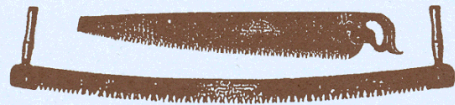


DINING ROOM

Because I was poor I did not eat in an elegant dining room. I nearly starved when I rode to Ohio in railroad boxcars. When I got to Fort Wayne, Indiana, some kind ladies gave me a good meal.

SHED/OUT OF DOORS

I worked in the woods near Muskegon one winter. Along with two other men I pulled a crosscut saw and chopped wood. What tools in this shed might be like the tools I used?



BEDROOM

Do you have a bedroom of your own? Sometimes I did not have a place to sleep at night. One winter night I slept in an empty freight car. Another time I slept on a pile of rope in an old boat. One cold night a barber let me sleep in his warm shop. Push the button to hear how I slept.

KITCHEN

Grandfather and I ate simple foods. Tea, coffee, and white sugar were "luxuries" we could not afford. We substituted brown sugar for white sugar, and used sassafras root to make our drink. What foods in this kitchen do you like to eat?

CONCLUSION

Will you have to overcome any handicaps to be what you want to be in life? Reading books, learning my lessons well in school, and writing down my ideas helped me. Learning from my grandfather helped me, too. How will you achieve your goals?

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