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resembling a young snow and there was considerable ice. I have found it pretty cold sitting in the house without a fire, but by keeping the lamp burning most of the forenoon I have managed to stand it. I will try to stick it out till the first of October without fire, then the stoves must go up. But with exception of last Sunday which was rainy by showers we have had exceptionally fine, bright weather.

Notwithstanding the rain I had my three services on that day though the attendance was small except here at New Germany in the evening where I had a fine turn out. After much tribulation I succeeded in working out in full notes of a pretty fair sermon on the Gospel for the day, whose keynote was, as you know, "Don't worry" (Matt. VI. 24-34). And I preached it as well as usual, if not indeed a little better. But I find it about as hard to do anything this week. However,