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Dear Mother:-

My first letter in the new year shall be as ever a letter to you. Allow me in the outset to wish for you the richest joys and fullest blessings that the year has in store. May the goodness of the Lord accompany you every day during the coming year! We had service in our Church on New Year's morning. Pastor Boedelmann preached a splendid sermon on Matt. 14:22-32 taking as his topic Life a voyage. This morning Dr. Hoffmann preached a most excellent sermon on Matt. 6:33, also a New Year's sermon, the text giving the theme The best New Year's resolution. To-night Pastor Boedelmann is preaching a New Year's sermon in English. Bonnie and the big boys have gone down. Marion was with me to the German service this morning. New Year's day was rather gloomy. It rained and thawed all day and all last night, taking our snow, of which we had over a foot, nearly all away. Enough is left on the roads to enable others to run, but on the land generally there are only patches of snow here and there. Today however is very much colder with a high and heavy wind and flurries of snow now and then. There was one advantage in the thaw, and that was that it made good ice for skating. Carole and I were down on the lake in the park this afternoon for an hour or so and I had my first good skate of the season. The ice was as smooth as glass and the skating was fine. New Year's day is always election day (except when it falls on Sunday) in the towns and cities of Ontario. Our old Mayor was re-elected here in Waterloo and over in Fitchburg a Mr. Greb (Greb) who is a member of Dr. Wanner's Church was elected Mayor. As the members of both the Dominion and the Provincial Parliaments are Lutherans, the Lutherans hold all