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Just made a fire in the fireplace, but the flu must have been stuck at first because I got a lot of smoke in the house. Had to open the window, which sort of defeats the purpose of the fire.

I am still reading the John Muir book and it makes me think I should be out tramping in the woods. But I ran 10 miles yesterday and shovelled the drive this morning and my body is telling me no. Besides, I'll see more wildlife out the back window. We had 3 bluebirds hanging around all day. Once in a while they fly down to some sort of ornamental thornapple next to the house to eat the berries. I think this is the first time we've ever seen bluebirds in our back yard. And then there were two deer running along the bank across the river, heading downtown.

Steve