



Family, 2 Bench Bobsleigh



This Bobsleigh is equipped with two benches. It would have been used for transportation in the winter for such things as trips into town for supplies or to go to church.

The small back box would have been used to carry the supplies. Removing the back seat and you have what might be thought of as the first version of a pickup truck, You would use this to haul hay, straw, feedbags, wheat, etc..



In use, the family would have used blankets and perhaps they could have carried containers of hot coals for warmth. This sleigh is equipped to be pulled by a team of two horses.

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The Restoration:

These photos provide a view of how this piece was brought back to life. It included taking all the pieces apart for cleaning, and a fresh coat of paint. Note the "sidestep" along the side of the box. (top left picture) It can be thought of as a predecessor of the running boards of today's pickup truck.



HISTORY: This sleigh was donated to O'Hara Mill several decades ago. The detail of its original owner is unknown. If you have more information we'd be happy to hear from you via email at info@ohara-mill.org

