

754 Fourteenth Street
Oakland - Cal

Dear Dad,

I have just received your letter
2nd November - Hope your Bath quieted your
nerves - should think you would feel nervous
with all you have to do - and sorry you could
not get that Thanksgiving dinner inside of you,
but know you feel you have to do your work,
and I do hope you did get it done in time -
Enclosed you will find a money order sent by
E W Morgan for 50 francs to buy yourself a
Christmas Present - or presents from me - now I'd like
to have sent a "thing" - but Emma and I concluded
there must be things you'd want, and it was
best for you to select them yourself - but please
go right out and buy 5 whole francs worth of
candy the kind you like best to eat - bring it
home and keep it for a Christmas eat all
yourself, for I know you won't get much -
and also buy 2 pair of good stockings
and then you can spend the rest to please
your own dear self - be sure I am wishing

you a Happy Christmas Day-

Yesterday it showered and cleared to suit its
self and I got caught in a shower and had
just come into the front hall - when I heard
a knocking on the front door - I opened it - it
was dark outside - A very fat man leaned against
the door jam - he remarked "I'm Mr Davis - reporter
for the Chronicle - we are going to write up Miss
Jane Morgan - City Editor sent me up for her
Picture to put at the head "thought it would look
kind of nice" - also we'd like to know about any
work she'd done here before she went and
also - what started her on that track - seems
to me an unusual one for a girl to take" -
I corrected your name and refused pictures
or life history and turned him over to Pa who
he said he knew very well - they are very good
natured - I've refused so many of them - pictures
and "write ups" - it money out of their pockets -
Emma overslept herself this morning - her alarm
clock did not go off - finally I believe they forgot
to wind it - so she missed her class - she
was not pleased - The weather is fine - though
rather wet - not cold - The sinking of the San
Rafael only lost three lives - which I think
was wonderful it being dark and thick

fog - the Steamer is located near the old
Meads wharf foot of Lowell St. - guess they can
raise her - we are all well and think
and talk about you very often - in fact many
times a day - The Darling girls have sold
their house and got to the Baptist Church
Mrs Matilda Brown says, they all like Mr
Yorking, the new minister, and hope he
will stay - he has brought a sister, wife,
and two children. Tomorrow Trip Hines is
due to make me a wool waist for horse
weave - With lots of love believe me

Yours loving
Ma

December 6, 1901