

754 Boulevard Street
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Dear Dad -

I feel real bad about this letter of
Emmas - she put it under the bureau cover and
thought I'd put it in my letter - I thought
she'd mailed it from Winters - so did not look
under the cover for it - Your Postal Card gave
us your New Years Greeting and did just as
well as a letter and saved you that much
fatigue I trust - as you need all your time,
we can wait as long as I know you are
well I don't worry - The new year is chilly
no rain yet. Lots of fog - I did not go down and
open the door to let in this year - just opened the
window here a few minutes, Jessie Coffee and
a friend had come here and did the most they
could - but it was very quiet around here - the
boys went to bed early - down town it was noisy
and lively early in the evening, but Oakland is
a sleepy place and it was quiet - the two last
days I had Miss Hines sewing on a blue gown
with waist for me - it was so cold though I
had all the fire I could cram into the grate
it was hard making much headway sewing
with cold fingers - Today I got a letter from Agnes - thanking

me for the little dress I sent Mary - that wonderful
child had a sand box in the back yard for her
Christmas treat - which she appreciates - The ex-
pected had not arrived. But they were all well
and happy. she sent her love to you - I met
Aunt Frank Perrine yesterday - she said, Ruby
said, she'd seen in the Paper that Miss Morgan
was home! Ruby cut out "that piece about you in the
Chronicle and put it in her scrap book" - The Perrines
live on 2nd and Broadway - across from the Hoffalts
in a flat and I infer do dressmaking same as ever.
they are well - she said Mrs Whitney was keeping house way
out towards the Presidio in San Francisco all of
them living together - Mrs Whitney doing her own
work! said, they'd made them such a quilt - I
wondered if they'd been paid - Last night Gray
Eugene and the two Jones girls Alberta & Libel
went over to the Greek Church in San Francisco
to observe their Christmas Celebration - Gray said,
while it was interesting - yet they decided they
would not care to go again" - The Russian
Christmas is later than ours - Sunday night I
wore my cat's heads to Church - went with Elma and
Mrs Latham they were very pleasant -
yesterday late in the afternoon I went over to San
Francisco Mrs Latham who was very pleasant and

not well in health. Mrs Woodbury told me today
that she'd "a beautiful picture of Hope" - she was
going to bring over to show me - Sam had
a knife both day and night for the deep - the
dentist was trying to ease it - but yesterday Sam
had it yanked out - it was in very firm a large
double tooth - it hurt awfully and used him
up so completely - that the two dentists were from 5
until near seven recovering him so he could
get home - they said, he tried blue and was too
faint to stand, loss of blood and nerve - they put
part of a flask of whiskey in him and fanned him
and I guess one came home with him - all the
evening until 2 A.M. he was ill - after that he
left some - was much better today and is quiet
in bed now - he's real good - but ghastly looking - as a
child - he's had to let the fire alarm ring without
his rising out this week - for fear taking cold in the
jaw his face was so swollen - Pat weighs 145 lbs.
more than he ever weighed before - he looks fat -
Delia is good - makes bread and biscuits - like lead
as meals for us - Mrs Anderson enjoyed herself at
Sacramento and is now teaching hard as ever -
Mrs Lamban is having her furniture upholstered
2nd time since you left - a man does the work in
her back yard - that's how we know - Mrs Farmer was
here today while I was out - how real sorry I missed
her - I must go to bed - I send you heaps of love

and best wishes and am always

Your loving
Ma

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