

Much  
love and  
a very  
happy  
christmas  
and a  
pleasant  
time from  
Doris

December  
19<sup>th</sup> 1899

Dear "Father

I hope you will  
have a happy christmas

I cannot send my present  
with you but will give  
it to you when you  
come home. I wish you  
were going to be at home  
for christmas it will be  
so lonely without you or  
bernard. I am going

to give you a thing to  
put on the Bottom of your  
drow ~~that~~ that if you have  
ties and such like it is  
going to be made of mus-  
lin in sted of putting  
paper it is not finished  
nicely enough to send  
but I hope it will be  
ready by the time you  
come home. We will all  
be so sorry for you <sup>that</sup> to go  
<sup>going</sup> away. I have not much  
paper or I would write  
a longer letter. I am  
afraid you are not going  
to get 2 or 3 presents sent to  
you good bye with