

Stamford Oct 14, 1917

I Dear Mrs Hart. - I only took
the children all home Friday
night and yesterday I cleaned
my room with Foul Chays help.
We have had cool weather, but
the oil stove was sufficient.
I kept thinking it was going to
rain some time, but I was afraid
to wait any longer for fear it would
turn cold and the children might
have to come back on me. Mrs
Booth in a way is improving, but
all of her trouble has gone to her
head and she (to me) looks expressionless
is right "batty". I only said she did
not know how long she would
stay in that condition and

she might as well take them
home. I was nearly exhausted
with looking after the baby and
settling Inna's, Teaching lessons
and other things that go with
taking care of children. Such as
brushing teeth and seeing that
they were clean and their
finger nails and many other things
too numerous to mention. I only
kept the baby & Annie Patrick
two nights but kept them through
steadily and that baby is a tart.
I spanked her several times she
would cry to carry her parent
and I told Mrs Endicott if it would
not annoy her I would con-
sider her done Ohy and she said she
thought she needed it and

to proceed and I did - I am
sure the children must have
annoyed her but she was very
sweet about it if they did. I like
her very much and we are all
getting along beautifully. Mr. Harnage
Mrs. Donaldson's father died
Thursday night and his remains
were shipped to Ladonia. I hope
Vada's books reached her alright
and that they were the ones she
wanted. I got your letter Saturday
and I looked for the books Sunday
and gave them to Ed Monday &
he told me he had sent them.
Two of your studies are here. Do
you want them sent to you?
Mrs. Cooper went off to look for

another location. She went up
from 826. - to 830. for day board
and nearly all of her boarders left -
Mr White, Kue & Quide, Mr Ross
and Earl Keese, and Henry Gung
said he would like to, but had
to board his furniture out. Mrs
Smith has a full house and Mrs
Shaw also, Miss Moore took
dinner with us today. Her room
mate next to Hilma and Murph
thinks so much of Miss Moore that
she said she could leave her today
without showing partiality. I wish
we had some of the rain you are
getting. - Ed is a busy boy these
days going to school and working -
he gets to town by seven some times
before - I hope you passed your

exam O.K. if you never
need it - I suppose you have
heard from your mother by
now - Hope she got there alright.
They have a real cross chapter
and Mopsy has knit a
creeper and a hood. She
knits so funny to me -
I tell her it looks like she
was crocheting. Ed has just
come in and I imagine
it is nearing supper time
as my clock is in the kitchen
and I have no idea
what time it is - Mrs Langeton's

Ross & daughter in law have
rented the Forrester place
and are living over there -

Mrs Longsten told me she
had already rented her
room they occupied. The
Gay House that Mrs Smith
left is still vacant houses
our rooms are in demand &
people are leaving this part of
the country because of high
cost of living and nothing to do.
I wish we could get some of
the rain you are having. Well
I must close with lots of love
from Mopsy & me to you & Vada
Your friend Mrs Taylor



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