

Stamford.

Dec. 17th / 17

Dear Mrs. Hart:-

Just a note
to wish you and Vada a very
happy Christmas-time. I was
so glad to get your letter written
Sept. 19th and fully intended
answering it long before this
but one thing or another came up
to prevent - I just didn't do it.
Am awfully glad you like
Decatur. So much I have
gotten to know so many nice
people that means a whole lot.

We have had a couple of letters from Vernon and always enjoy hearing from him. Vernon is one of my favorites & both Iley & I think a great deal of him. I packed a box of "goodies" (as the Kiddies say) this morning & Iley is going to send it to him this afternoon. I just wanted him to know we were thinking of him. The young son is growing so fast & is so well and strong, needless to say we are very proud of him. Mary Belle tells every body that his name is William Iley Junior Pratt. The other night at the supper table she said, "Mother I'm the blue-eyed girl, isn't I?" & I said yes & she said "and Ruth is the brown eyed girl" & I said yes so then I asked her what she thought Billy would be & right away without any hesitation she said "I suspect he'll be cross-eyed." We are going to have a tree for the Kiddies Christmas morning & I suspect the grown ups will enjoy it as much as they do. My father is coming to spend the holidays with us, he will get

here on Saturday & I can
hardly wait. Hope you and
Vada are both well and
with just heaps of good wishes
that the New Year may be for
you all a very bright and
happy one.

Sincerely

Houder Pratt.



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