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My dear Little Cat:

"Aunt Lucie"

was indeed proud of your sweet little letter although she has not given it by an early reply.

You write such a plain hand and a good letter too, so I don't see why you don't make me glad often by writing to me.

"Ma-ma" writes me what a little man you are, and how sweet you are to her and little sister. I am so glad to hear this of you for they each need your help and company too.

"Santa Claus" was indeed nice
to you and Ruth^{my} & was so
glad to hear you both had
such a good time
& to received some right nice
presents.

Uncle T. gave me a nice suit
case, something that I was
needing so much.

Your uncle John sent me
a beautiful furse with some
money in it, and I received
several nice little presents from
my friends.

As Gilbert wrote you I was
to see him a while before
Christmas; I found him
well, and he seemed much
better contented than he
did when I was there last
summer.
& think he felt disaffricted