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My father is
just letter to
me - when I
was 2 yrs old.

Lehigh, Pa.
Sept. 24, 1862

My dear Bet:

Your nice little letter
telling me all about your
doll came here to day. Poor
little doll couldn't grow
lone, & I don't wonder she
fainted & got all dirty in
the effort. I am glad you
didn't whip her, Louie, because
she couldn't help it. How do
you like the pictures of your
dada's? Tell your mother to
get you a chain for your
little pencil and hang it
round your neck. You must
tell me how you like the
white horse "Harry". The little
vogue is asleep in one but

His eyes are wide open
in the other picture.

The next time you go
up to see the good Nuns
My little pet will say to
them - "Pray for my dada - he
is fighting bad men." Then
you must pray "Hail Mary"
yourself for me. Men know
God will give a good girl
anything she asks of Him.

When I go home, soon,
you & I and Mother will
have such a good nice walk
together - that is, if the rebels
don't cut my legs off - and
if they do - we can ride little
"Harry".

Your mother gave me
all the kisses that you sent &
they were all very sweet & like
Angels' kisses. And one more, say.
Yathey