We had a rousing hot day on the 18th mer
cury at 97° and not a breath of air stirring.
Since then they have had tremendous storms
in North Missouri and we have had the
benefit of the reflux, in fine mild days and
cool bracing nights so that a blanket is quite
comfortable no musquitos as yet; but a fair
prospect of some later in the season, strawberries gone and raspberries and huckleberries coming in. Plenty of vegetables in the
Post garden, and, and quite a good market
in town. We expect a fine grape and peach
crop in the Fall. You must not forget your
visit to us in August when you come
on to St Louis, and I shall want you
to bring me a pair of nice walking boots
from Hunts. Bd way next Howard who has
my measure. Reggy and the boys are well
and hearty. The little woman has got as high
up as 120 lbs and looks quite stout. The boys
dash about in their Indian ponies and en
joy the open air immensely. Give our
best love to Mother Lossie and your cheeks

Write soon Always Alfred