

Warm Springs Agency Oregon July 18 1876

Dear Mama,

Our hot-weather continues. To day it was 105° . Yesterday not quite so high. The trouble is there is not the usual sea breeze. Last Sabbath we had the breeze for the first time since June 26 and it was the coolest day we have had. I commenced on my answers yesterday morning, so I guess will remain and finish, which I can likely do Monday and Tuesday. I have no word from Penneville yet so might as well content myself. If I have to leave here without money from Penneville, I'll hardly turn in my papers, unless Mays or Allen stands good to me for my pay. Of course their letters are sufficient evidence, but I want no trouble. I shall not worry however. Last Wednesday was the hottest here it seems of any place, on the North Pacific Coast; The Dalles 106° , Walla Walla 106° . I presume the narrow valley here, and reflection from the hills is what makes it so hot. I was over to the spring today for the first time, and got a cool drink. The

Creek is good morning, but gets warmed up during the day tho is fair drinking water. If I leave here Wednesday I shall likely go down from The Dalles Friday morning and so home Saturday forenoon. I dont like to land in Albany at midnight and then walk home. They got the ferry boat back yesterday and the mail crossed this evening. Major is improving. He got some more ice from Pineville today. The fuel came last Tuesday. I have been writing steady nearly all day so am not going to write much more. Rev Spur came back yesterday. He expects to go back Monday and will make all down next week. Lyle is getting along as well as could be expected. This is probably my last letter.

With love to all and many kisses

Your husband

C. H. Walker

P.S. If convenient let Elmer have some of the creamery money. I asked for enough money to pay him as well as my expenses. He may want more for the second month. I am willing to give it. He may want to leave before I get home, but I hope not. I presume they will hardly begin thrashing before in Aug.

C.H.W.