

Forest Grove May 13th
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Dear Pa,

I ^{for me} rec'd your
letter today & will write & enclose
one that came to you, We were
greatly disappointed that you have
to be detained so long W- is so
busy that he cannot ~~spend much~~ spend much
time ^{putting house things} ~~of things~~ ^{know} We did not - nor did I, or
M- that you were to be gone so long -
hence we have not written as we should
if we had understood about it. I don't
suppose you knew that you would
be hindered so long. W- has not done
anything about the garden, because
he could not. He has no time, hardly
to do the chores or see about the garden.
It would be a great loss to us not to

I have a good garden & don't know who
 we can get to smoke it - though, it keeps
 raining nearly every day now or less.
 M. & W. - went to D. Sat. & got back
 today. They went in the buggy. Ellen
 did the chores, & mean took care of
 the cow & calf. I have felt pretty
 well this week. Last night Chief
 Lott spoke in the church through
 two interpreters. His interpreter Sam
 (is he the one you called Stocking?) & Jerry
 Meeker. Lott speaking Spokan
 Sam Jargon & Jerry English. He
 made a pretty speech & was fully
 equal to the occasion, more so than
 Jerry who had some difficulty in
 understanding Sam. Lott is a fine
 looking Indian I was introduced to
 him & he said he saw you at Blaney,
 we had a long letter from W. W. -
 had been to a Cong. council when he
 had a disease to preach & also stopped

at Sa-mauolis. He failed to get
 a fixture they wanted \$50. W. -
 thought that exorbitant as indeed
 it was & refused to pay so much.
 The least they offered ^{it for} was 30. W. -
 said they asked so about it that
 he thought his money would be
 thrown away, so he didn't invest
 except to buy an air pump. He
 said that they wanted him to
 stay & he tried & when they
 found that he didn't plan that
 they seemed to lose all interest
 in his case & he didn't think
 they would have given any satis-
 faction. I am sorry, for I hoped
 he could get something better
 than what he had. He said he
 told them what he wanted & they
 did not say whether they had it
 or could fix it or not. He had a
 pleasant trip. He has had the

Very true. I have no doubt that he can
and living of about seven but I shall
leave to Mark in the garden if he
it. I would be in the hot-house for
very much more out-door, as even
then ensure this spring, also to
five or six much more to do in order
been invited to preach at Gillingham
Dr. Atkinson wrote on a postcard
thinks it would be nice to have them
there. He has not written about it
yet; Ellen says she is very sorry
you are not coming back before
commencement; for she probably
will not see you before she goes
away. W. is gone to teach this
afternoon. They had a nice time
on 9 -.

The pie plant is very nice. I can
sell some very soon I think.
What did you plan to have
done with the hot-bed? Have the
plants set-out? I suppose that is
what you planned, I don't know
but I shall have to take charge of
the planting of the garden. W. -

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