

June 22,

Monday Hamden, ~~June 22~~ 1857.

My Dear Mother:

The first thing
I want to say to you is that the
B. Bishop ^{while I am} was here yesterday
and confirmed two ladies
and two of our boys and
their names were Charles &
Henrich and Percy Osborn.

I would asked you to
come if I thought you ^{could} but
I did not believe you
could come because you
have ^{so much} ~~so much~~ to do. I will
tell you one or two more
things that you must
bear in your mind the first
is about 4th of July and what

I want to say about 4th of
July is that Mr. Everest
says that he dont want
our parents to send us
any fire-works a tall so
you must not send any
a tall ~~boxes~~ except a
large box of fire-crackers
and some torpedoes. I received
your letter last Tues-day
which was the 15-day of
the month.

My Dear Father
Please ^{send me} a good large box of
fire-crackers and some ~~torpedoes~~
torpedoes. And will you
please ^{go} in a hardware store
and ask them for a small
small pop-gun that has

a cork to it and has
some string tied to the
cork and it has a
iron thing that you pull
out a little ways and
push it in and it will
work the cork out and
the cork will make a
noise will you please
try and get one for
one or shillings because
I want to use it
for my fire-crackers
when you send it
stick it in the box ~~with~~
with the crackers ~~and~~
send some torpedoes to
and dont forget about
the pop-gun because

P.S. I am coming home on the 31st July
I am coming home on the 31st July

You have not got a very
good memory and all.

Everest says we cannot
have any fire-work of
any kind or ~~fire-works~~
crackers and torpedoes
and a small pop gun.

Good by all at home

I send my love to
all and more especily
to my Father and
my Mother please answer

soon please answer soon.

not a very good pencil

Do not good writing
here end the letter

Your affectionate son
Alfred Alfred