

could be
done here
without this
department

Paris
June 28th 88

My dearest Bernard,
The Sunday
is over, & I in my night attire
sit down to pen a few lines to
you. - I in stead of the long
letter I had planned. I sent
Lizzie to church in the morning
& stayed with the children
they were very good till after
their lunch & then Eric went
to bed & sleep like a lamb
but Edith fusses & frets
& only finally composed her
self to slumber after 12.30.
When I rested part of the after
noon read a little, & before
it was 5.7. - I tea for chicks &
self done. - The weather was
hot & close & a new batch of
mosquitoes have come out &
with little net, I made

till nearly 9⁷ wh. was rather
inopportune as Mrs K. & I should
well come down to have a
little reading with us -

I have so many adds &
encls to speak of that I scarcely
know where to begin

Thanks many for the watch
key - wh. fits all right, I am
so sorry you had a heart
for the other, I did not know
I had this one, it must have
turned up in the general
painting & rrimage - The
trains have been very late
Dares only got here after 9⁴
The Haghes at midnight -
I assure you I felt very
grateful that we had not
suffered in like manner

The brains you gave us have
been very good ones & both
the children & I have en-
joyed them we have some
half doz. still in the house

also summons -
I hope you were "sarcas-
cizing" when you spoke of the
night-dresses Anna got, being
fine - for I asked her to get
me perfectly plain ones, as I
had plenty of trimmed ones
you may as well bring them
if you have room that
I can do without them - you
will be pleased to hear that
I was painting a little
yesterday, I will try to do some-
thing in that line while here
I feel rather lost not being
able to walk far, I not
liking to stay indoors - just
about William says needs
painting so we have not used
it at all - I are not likely
to, as he leaves so soon now.

It will be very nice if
you can get away this week
the heat must be very trying
of course if the curtains are

not ripe they can't be made
into jelly, I think Mrs H or
she Mamma's Maggie we
do it - I don't know what
be done - As to the gooseberries
if you don't use them for pies
&c - let them rotte them green
they are excellent in that way
& Eric has wrought such
harm upon his pants "in
the 10 days he has worn them
that I begin to think he must
have another pair I will
enclose a note to Carstep & if
he has the same as what
will go with it, he will send
the parcel to you C. O. D.
you can pay it if you are not
it won't be much - I don't
like the suit can be got. I
shall have to trust to send
him down something when
I go up to town myself -
We are getting milk from a
French woman in the back lanes
now I find it very good so far

price $\frac{1}{2}$ ^{to} a qt. - She offered to ^{Monday} rent us a cow, but we thought it scarcely worth while for so short a time, I mean for such a small family. I am very stupid this morning, mosquitoes teased me so last night, that I had a poor sleep. - Today promises to be a warm one again.

I fear my asking for things in such a scattered way must trouble you.

As I am to make garments for Eric I want the pattern. It is in the cupboard of the upstairs hall in an old, leather blue bound bag full of patterns. The ones I want are near the top, tied together, of a blouse & pants. Pictures of each on the pattern so you cannot mistake.

Edith's last 4th tooth is through & she is eating like a young colt.

morant. Eric is near a very
great eater but looks braver
& fat, & drinks plenty of milk
& much spring-water. He de-
clines to see the furogo deep
in the sea, so I have not tried
him yet. We are giving the
washing out, so that keeps
the house cooler & without
hurry -

I forgive such a stupid
letter Lou! Perhaps I shall
be able to send you a better
one tomorrow. I trust nothing
is amiss at St. A's I hope to
write to them in a day or
two. No news is said to be
good news you know dear

Ever dear yours

Affectionate old
Aunt

I don't know Carlyle's
number of proper children
please put my note for
him in an envelope & I
add the correct superscription