

Stockton May 18 - 1892

Dear Alice:

You should not copy after me in the commencement of your letters, but be more original and have a style of your own. Well we are all torn up again, and I am sitting on the front porch writing this with a pencil because there is so much noise and confusion inside, I do not like to sit at the desk. Mr Blaisdell came Monday morning and I think they will finish by Saturday night. The chimney is all down and the place cut through into the dining room. The brick layer came this morning to commence on the chimney. We had our first real warm day of the season yesterday and I



think it will be warmer to day.  
I was in hopes it would stay cool  
for at least a month longer, but my  
hopes will be in vain. Emma Jane  
told me last night that I would  
have a fine time sweeping that new  
carpet of mine. she said they told  
her down to the store where she got it  
that they were very hard to sweep  
and one of them said he had one  
on his house but would never have  
another. If that is the case I think  
I had better get bussells for hall  
and stairs. They are not through at  
the house yet, are graining inside.  
They think they will move about the  
last of next week; have sent their  
carpets to be cleaned by steam.

Enclosed you will find a Money Order  
for \$40. Aunt and George went to the  
theatre last night and Forrest stand  
here all night. I will close now  
and send this to the box by him.  
from your mother E. M. Wattons.

If not delivered within 10 days, to be returned to



Miss Alice M. Watrous.  
East-Berkeley  
Calif

care S. D. Waterman.

