

Springfield Mo May 27th 1899
934 College St.

My dear Mrs Prior and family,
you will surely be surprised
at receiving a letter from me, but
I am so rejoiced that at last I
have your P. O. address, have
written to K. several times and
asked for your address, but no one
sent it to me. so when I got the
Times I saw Beth's letter, and
now I am writing to you.

How are all of you. How often we
have talked of you, and wished to
hear from you. And how it has
Mr. Naughton. Let me tell you a
joke on him or me. I do not know
which. Will leave you to decide

When I was in Kingston two years ago I met him on the side walk and we were talking, there were several standing hear. I was asking him about Lennie, and he said he did not have time for a long talk. I then asked him to come down to Bos's and see me. and we could have a nice long talk, don't you think he blushed like a 16 year old girl. and the men laughed. I did not see the point where the laugh came in at first, any way he never accepted of my kind but thoughtless invitation, now who is the joke on?

How are you getting along in your western home? do you catch many Salmon. If you do think of me while feasting on them.

The Spring here is very backward and the fruit seems to be all falling we are not having any peaches here this season. But oh the Pine Straw

berries, 5 cts per box. What kind of
 fruit do you have in was Hington
 I am still in the chicken business
 Just took a hen off this morning
 with 13, now all see if theres anything
 in 13, have quite a lot of colonic
 ones, will be large enough for a fry
 by July 4, I want you to tell
 me what ailed Lewis, and where
 is Archie and The children, and
 how many did she leave? I felt
 so sad to hear of her death, but
 sooner or later we all have to go.
 Is your health any better since
 you went west and how do you
 all like it out there? are you farm-
 ing or living in the city, wouldent
 we have lots to talk about if we ^{could} meet

Agnes has Edna now, with her in
Macon - and I am glad for the child.
There was nothing for her at home.
Had a letter from her yesterday. Said
she had been down with the Measles
but was up now. Agnes and her two
little boys were both well.

Maud Fleming is teaching music
in St Joe, Scott is in Kingston
and has been since last Sept. Jane
and I are running the house -
and you would think we were doing
fine if you was to see us. I weigh
191 lbs, never was so large in my
life, but my health is almost per-
fect, and Jane is almost as large
as her little sister. Is Beth
teaching? and how is she satisfied?
Do you know there has been 21 deaths
in Kingston since I was there two
years ago. This coming June; there
will soon be gone all that I knew
there, and some horrid weddings

see in 2 days paper where Will
 Frederick and ^{Barrie} ~~Fanny~~ Broughton
 are married. Joab still holds even
 as Fannie has a divorce and is
 at home. Wouldn't you love to
 see Tickie and his baby? Had a
 nice visit with them in Polo
 when I was there. I attended our
 Gen Conference last Apr. year
 ago at Independence had a nice
 time. Met people from all over the
 world. Then spent a week with
 Arthur Bradley and Stella as I came
 back. Arthur has built him a
 nice modern cottage, and since I
 was there, has built another one
 and rents it for \$25 per month. So
 Stella wrote me. The old gentle man ^{died}

in March before I was there. found him
dead in his bed. He was down stairs
the day before. he had got to be so shak-
ish and partially lost his mind.
They took him to Cameron to bury.
Arthur is in a bank. with a salary
of \$400 per month, got \$2,000 insurance
on his father. Stella talks as much as
ever. Their girl is now 13 years old.
Jane said invite you to dinner. to eat
Reas and light coals. we went on a
Picnic whiz last Thursday. I never got a
single bite of any thing. not even a tick.
but the rest did. had a nice time. but
this is the rockiest country I ever saw.
Now my dear friend I thank you to
write me a long letter and tell me
about all of you - Is Robbie with
you? don't wait long before you and
we both join in sending love and
best wishes to one and all and
believe me one who loves you all.
Your loving friend Mollie Thompson



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