their corn in this part of the country —
thank God I now enjoyed better health
in my life than I have this summer, & hope
yet to meet you with a sound body & a
strong constitution —

I am glad to hear you all keep
but regret to hear of the cripple of Lett
it will not stiff [illegible] Omaha
ther how he must call one of his
can fillies Wankena — I am
he — Albert has passed so good
examination, which does he intend to
tter Blanch I have got an Indian
for him, but I fear I will not have
opportunity to land it home — I am
Bob & I was not with you at your
family meeting I can only hope for a
like meeting when I return, I have written
to Bob several times later & cannot get
an answer what has become of him
till Mr. Lewis comes to see, let me hear
you to write more frequently, my letters
home for the last year average one
every three months —

Much love to all
am my dear Mother in haste
Your Affect. Son
J. R. Bowen

Direct my letters via Tampa Bay
E. F.

I would like to have my shirts if you could
[illegible] there, bro. William I think will be able
[illegible] there by some vessel sailing to
Charleston or Cedar Keys, ask bro. Tom to
[illegible]

L. R. E.