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remove all with all
our household goods but by hard pulling
we kept our house up on three firms.
but the water was more than three feet
depth all over the bottom we were prepared for
that as our things had been packed up
in the center in a few pieces of boards.
So a truck we must have by going 76 of
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So good buy

From your affectionate
Son
W J. T.

The mail which came to-day was a back one, letters mailed about July 1st