

a clear conscience which I esteem a far richer
Broom. Phaulin has enjoyed fine health ever
since we left home & is very much pleased
with the trip. I know you will all be alarm-
ed about us these cholera times. But I think
you all need not alarm yourselves. We are now on the
Prairie in a pure atmosphere & will soon be on
the plains in the healthiest air in the world.
And then there would be a great deal more gain
in returning home than in going ~~there~~. I hardly
know where to instruct you to send my letters as you
will know where to send them, ^{as well} as I know now
you must commence writing to me about 2 months
from now & write one every 2 or 3 weeks regul-
arly in that way I will allway be informed
how my friends are getting along at home. Send
one letter anyhow to St. Francisco, & another
to Sisters fort & the rest to where you may
think best. I do not know when I will have
an opportunity of sending this home but hope
I will meet with some one in a day or two
going into the states. I will continue to
write every opportunity. Give my love to
mother & all the family both white and
black. Phaulin also sends his. I may
write another line in this before I send it
Your Son Geo. M. Munnell

Saturday May the 12th Noon between 50 & 60 miles from Independence
I have met with a civilized Indian who is going to Keokuk next Monday
& promises to carry this letter there for me & mail it. We are all getting
along finely, all of our boys are well except those who have had the
measles & they are well except only a little weak & debilitated. They
are all able to walk to work most of the time. Andy Anderson
says send his wife word for him that he has not been sick a day and
The spirit. He wants you to write to her, she is at Anson