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Still → Nora
in Soda Spring in Logan

I don't think I will be able to get
to Bear Lake for a week or 10 da
I will leave the train here & go
down on the train on Monday
will write you to morrow ^{the} ~~two~~

Good bye
your loving

Soda Spring ^{will}
Dear wife

I was so tired
last night I did not
write so I will now & give
you a sketch of myself

I stoped the first night
at Readers ranch &
the next morning crossed
the divide into Cotton
wood & then into Centile
valley had a very nice
trip. The roads were pretty
good second night I put
up with Mr. Hendrix
I was puzzled which side
of the river to take Ozark.
thought it best to go on the

✓ by the time I got back I had walked
8 mi. or more I hitched up & started
they went all right for a short
distance then they would not
go any farther the sun was
getting low & I began to think
I would have to stop over night
& wait till it would freeze I tried
every way to get them to go they
had been good all day but now
it was all over I waited a while
then took hold of the lines & tried
again but no use so I tried the
virtue of whipping which proved
a success I could only allow
them to go ~~tow~~ or three rods at
a time then stop & rest it took
more than an hour to get to the road
I bet behaved like a lady I was
afraid she would get lost by walking
in the snow but she is all right
now Dogan was sick I would
not eat his grain he felt the worst
of the two they are both well now



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the hoof so I had to take it off
& I had nothing to do it with
but my pocket knife & the
wagon wrench I went to
work & cut the nails & drew the
shoe it took me nearly one half
hour when I had done I did not
know whether to go on or back

so I started walked & drove
I did real well for 4 or 5 miles
until the sun came up & the
snow began to melt then the
horses & I began to break through
then the hard work began some
times we would go to the bottom the
snow being from 2 to 4 ft. deep
by 10 or 11 o'clock I was with in
1 mi. of the point here the snow
was deeper than it had been &
the horses went through every step
they got tired so I unhitched
& feed them & while they were
eating I went down to the
road about 1 mi. to see how to go

East side so I drove about 2 mi
to see a man he said had been
to Soda & could tell me all
about the roads but when
I got there he told me that
he had not been to Soda ^{but} advising
me to go back so I did & the
next morning I started
for S. by 5 o'clock I had
8 1/2 mi. before I got to the bench
at Beache it - a little before sunrise
It was light enough to see
Soda point - ten miles to the
N.E. The flat looked solemn
& quiet - unbroken by any
points of land or any visible
track of a road There had not
been a team across since the
last storm I wanted to go to
the ranch so I started & did
not get 50 yd. till Dogan caught
his left fore shoe & tore it almost
off so bad tha' - he could not walk
he bent the left side in. iron