

I likewise stated that the gentleman from whom he had purchased them wished me to go to him respecting them on receiving this information I was at a loss how to act as I knew I could not walk but in a few days a gentleman on horseback called to see my landlord who was still very sick I stated my case to him & the difficulty I was in he very kindly offered me the loan of his horse to prosecute my journey the way lay through the wild prairie without any path whatever & the grass was 6 feet high & I could not get the horse out of a walk as he would continue eating all the way so that his progress was very little more than a mile per hour & we had a vast number of ravines to cross which made the journey exceedingly tedious at length I arrived at the house & found the gentleman at home but he had just recovered from an attack of the fever & had no money but faithfully promised on the word of a gentleman that he would pay if me in 3 days I then took my departure for home but made very little progress but at length after finding my patience very near I arrived at a ravine about 2 miles from my boarding house I had been very cautious in taking him over every other ravine to walk him quietly down to