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they said that he was sick. but still he might have sent it as he had plenty of boys about the house doing nothing consequently I was obliged to sell the debt losing a dollar on it which dollar I intended to give to the person of whom I borrowed the horse as I understood he was in low circumstances. I thus through the cattledaler proving false to his word I was disappointed of the pleasure I should have felt in doing on the Monday I set out in the stage for Kansas city providing myself with a large vessel to hold plenty of water in case of a fresh attack of fever having a good opportunity of getting a fresh supply of water at every creek on the road the first day I had a slight attack of fever when I found the water very beneficial we rattled along for 35 miles the first day I had very comfortable accommodations at a farmers house on the road who had married a squaw & in

I in consequence had jumped into a paradise of an estate there was a beautiful plantation of Apples with a much larger one of Peaches there was thousands of thousands of baskets of peaches spread out on large boards fixed on tripes to dry.

a good supper of Prairie Chicken & but I was too sick to partake of it although as I advanced on my journey I found my health to improve very much.