

WHAT TO TAKE, AND WHERE TO BUY.—Most articles not owned, it will be unnecessary to purchase prior to reaching St. Louis or Lawrence, or some other of the principal settlements. Good clothing, suited for service, not for show, such as is adapted for this section of the Country, also bedding, (not beds, on account of their bulk,) and perhaps some choice articles of furniture, had better be sent along; but most of the necessaries for house-keeping, also agricultural implements, &c., can be obtained on reasonable terms at the places above designated. Indeed, all ordinary articles of house-keeping, husbandry, &c., may be now obtained in Lawrence, Leavenworth, and probably some other settlements within the Territory, on as reasonable terms as elsewhere.—Mechanics, who will require their tools immediately, had better carry them even at baggage prices; time being to them money, they will save by this course.

ARMS. — Should they be taken along for protection against Indians, for hunting, &c.? Our opinion of the red man is that as a general rule, if treated kindly and met as a man, he will behave like a man; but if treated like a wild beast, you must expect him to conduct like one. Still, as impositions are constantly being practised on him, and trespasses committed upon his rights, by vagabonds of our own race—of instances of which we ourselves have had repeated cognizance—it is not impossible, though hardly probable, that some roving bands from the distant plains, or fastnesses of the Rocky Mountains, may, under exasperation, make their appearance on the borders; and as “an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure,” and “discretion is the better part of valor,” it would be well for all to go prepared for such emergencies.

Besides, it would be somewhat vexatious to a hungry man (and one who intends to be a pioneer *must expect often to be a-hungered*) to see game fleeing by him, which might have furnished him many a good meal, and be none the better for it, because, presuming there