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Dear Mr. May 11 Sunday night
 Dear Dad. The letter which I wrote
 you by day night, I did not put in
 the post, as the boats make so much
 better time now, I thought I would
 save it for an opportunity on the
 river. The Missouri is at flood tide—
 waving & "chaffing with its shores"—
 more yellow, I mean than Father
 Tiber. I heard from Lawrence last
 night. Robinson had left for the east.
 A subpoena had been issued under
 the indictment to bring in Reed.
 The gentlemen refused to go, standing
 on his privilege, as a member of
 Congress as I learn, wherein two
 of the Committee sustained him.
 Seaman issued an attachment
 for him, & the deputy sheriff, was
 about to "break things" with a posse
 of desperados, when Oliver arrived
 at Seaman & made some commu-
 -nication, on which they still hesit-
 -ate. What it was we are left to infer
 from what he knew. The inference is
 that he informed these devoted patriots—