

some of ^{Ab} the most beautiful soil that
found the eye can rest upon (I am referring
to Illinois praries & many persons that all
I have met with since we have entered the
on the Steamboat in which I am now be
writing who have travelled there & in over
Kansas say that the Kansas Prairie are now
quite equal if not superior to the others of
but to proceed after breaking a Spring
of the Engine & getting it mended on the
road which hindered us some 2 hours
some of wandered into the Wood where
I Picked some wild grapes we arrived
in St Louis through the Great Mercy
of God safe & sound & soon surrounded
by runners & fellows to take our
then we had to agree for our passage
to Kansas which we could not possibly
get under 10 Dollars each. which we
did not like but had got to pay it
it is certain that the accomodation on
Board are most Excellant the cabin
happenings with which we are clasped
are very respectable men we have like
nice good beds & every thing comfortable