

Fort Dodge Kansas
May 16th 1896

Friend Ed,

Yours of the 30th just came to hand
in due time and after perusing its well filled pages
which gave entire satisfaction, and was pleased to hear
that all was well with you and the people in general
Well as for myself I am yet numbered among the
living and hold my own quite well taking every thing
into consideration

To day finds me on guard, and I
think this is the last of the Mohegans as the old saying
is and old regret has forsaken me to in fact he did
never visit me much in that respect. Still I like to
serve my Country in a (pigs butt) time of danger
Well Ed I cannot promise you much of detail this
time for I have nothing of importance to relate
the only thing that occupies the mind of the boys
at present is the National game. B.B. and they are
practising every day and are doing well for greens
next Sunday they play for 2 Kegs Beer and no

no doubt that some of them will land in Lima
before night

are expecting the 5th Cavalry Band here
the 18th and then a grand Hoax takes place. by the
way what are you and yours about to do on that old and
Eventful 4th in Brothertown. I would like to learn
for I am calculating on being there then. Well
I would like to have a glass of Sumner on that
occasion

Thirteen days more will end my wild and
disipated career here. Thos. D. left her on the 11th inst
and will be there I expect before many moons.
Since going to press I heard a rumor that some Indians
made there appearance west of here at Granada Col
about 100 miles west of Dodge City on the R.R and
made a grand effort to stop the train by signaling
with their Blanket. but Engineer could not see
the point but blew whistle and gave her more steam
and kept them out in the wet they did not stop
to see what Indians there were, no doubt that
they were Chienius or Arapahoes, as that is in
their vicinity of their hunting grounds, at least
for only was and now and then a roving Band is
seen, it appears that they did not offer any violence

to stop the train = Oh yes by the way do you intend to
visit the Cathedral or not - I see by yours the prince
is thinking of it a big thing you bet - I think I
will wait and go to the next one what say you will
you go along

I guess this is about the last time I
will write you and you need not ^{be} particular about
answering this for I will not have time to make
any reply to yours until I arrive there may be
that will do if so all right

I hope that you will have a
little leisure time when I get there for I am going
to bring them Chick and Chase and give you a little
game - tell Amanda that I am sorry she is sick
but hope that she will be well by the time I see her for
I want to cuff her ears again, have no one to quarrel
with me now - I guess that I will now leave
this to you for correction hoping this may find
you and all in good health as it leaves me my
regards to you Yours as ever
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