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at a place called Elm Springs, where a beautiful spring of good water pushes out of the river bank above higin water. The next day I came on about 40 miles, and camped on a stream known by the name of Beaver Creek. Here alone in the solitudes of this mighty wilderness, far from the abodes of men I prepared spend the night by building a roaring fire, making a good cup of tea, using condensed milk instead of cream, broiling some ham on the coals, which with bread, crackers and peaches constituted the bill of fare for supper. I turned the mules loose to sraze until dark then larrieted them and fed them and retir ed at an early hour to my bed in the ambulance where I was permitted to par tak of a crumb if it be not presumption in me to exixX speak of that bead which nourisher and sustains the soul, after which I enjoyed a good nights rest, awwakening soon after daylight. This morning breakiast the same as supper, which being over I started on and arrived at the Agency about 10 o'clock. On my soli ary jovmey this morning I was favored with the manifest presence of the bless. ed Master whose I am and Whom I desire to serve. 河 Hext Here let my account of this journey end.
A. J. Standing is out with the Appaches. George Dickenson (the man who went out with Satanta) got enough at onetrial. Some men can experience more in a short while than others in a whole life, - one woulf think he had found out more in 2 weeks about the Kiowas than I have ever learned, so superlatively quick is he in discerning, but, no doubt his experience was great and varied for so short a time, and he did not lodk when he cane in as though he could
 Indian rode by him coming in, one on each side of his mule, to whip it up to the top of its speed which was not slow as they came the last 12 miles in an hour. Satanta saying he was affraid he would die before he got in and so hum rried uff do get him off hands as quick as possible. He did not want him to dit on his ands, but he is recruiting now. I think satanta is a bad zook man anyhow. I would not like to go out with him. But I ought not to tell tales out of school.

The next day aiter writing to you I got a letter from home No. 27 which is the last I have received, and I want to say that wile I enjoyed it all and would not have had any part of it left out, yet the last pase, was peculiarly prateful to my feelings. I pejoiced to know that thou had taken up the practice of family reading, and I believe that if it is properly continued in, it ws $i l 1$ not be found to be lost time either to thee, Alfred, or the children. Dont huxry about it. I was also pleased to hear that thou found time for other good reading in the prescence of the children. X And now let me say that I cannot help believing that if thou wilt take the time for a little good reading to the children, that thy work will get along just as well as heretofore when thy time was wholly engrossed with it, and shall I say, for I have greatly feared it, with umpofitable thoughts, about me, and other worryments. But I do not intend to write roughly. I know thy heart, that it has been with thee as with me, that while I would do good evil is nresent with me, not that I would say that there was intentional evil in thy heart but a little dis brust, not willir to truat all to the dear Master, yet with all our carefulness we canot change his designs.

I got a letter from Edward by which it appears he has bought him a lot and put up for him a small house, and is learning the tinners trade. I hope he wi 11 set at something that he can stick to after a while if it is right, but I fear that it may be the case with hin as with some others that he has put
 will not get along until he has put them risht. The tule is "Seek first the Kingdom of God and Hid righteousness and all these things shall be added.Not seek firdt the things of this. world, and the kingdom shall be added.

Wy health continues fluctuatins, sometimes better and then not so well. I did think of sending home some money this time but will still leave it, a while longer until I see how things will turn with me here. I found that when

