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To Kansas City, the city of Sedalia and
City of Leavenworth. These are all thriving
places as well as many other small ones I passed
through, Kansas City is considered the best business
point. From Sedalia I took Stage to Kansas
thence to Bolivar both fine cities from the
latter place to Springfield a distance of 120 miles,
after remaining at Springfield a few days to
rest I employed a man, Horse, & Buggy to
travel through the wild country at an expense
of \$6 per day, I struck out then through Webster
County to the County seat - a town called
Marshfield a population of 500 inhabitants and
from thence to Wright County passing over a
tract of Biggs & my land of 320 acres which
is as good as any in the country, from thence
I proceeded to the County seat of Wright County
a town called Startsville which was burnt during
the war by the Union forces and here I will
remark that on all this line of travel the farms
and houses were laid waste by fire, from the latter
place I went to Houston the County seat of Texas
County which was also entirely destroyed, here

we have 1120 acres of land which is average
quality of the county, I arrived there just
in time to pay taxes on on all the lands 8 days
in advance of sale. From Texas County I
returned to Springfield remained there a day
or two and started then for this Place Baltimore
by way of Rolla, St. Louis, Cincinnati
Columbu, and in returning this way I had
the opportunity of seeing each section of the State
of Missouri. In the whole it cost me including
traveling expenses & Taxes \$57.00 for which
I have got the half of 1600 acres of land
and the half of 44 Town lots, I have been
forty two days on the tramp and tired out
and have got to trace about 1380 miles back.

Please write me immediately and give me
a letter of standing integrity as far as you know
of my Character & Business qualifications without
doing injustice to yourself, Such letters will help
me a great deal, be sure to write and direct
your letters to me at Baltimore Md, Care of P. P.
Clements 87 Daniels Wharf.

Wm Moore & John Join in regards regard to
you and wife.

Truly Yours
J. H. Moore