

Genl. P.

[MAY, 1863]

Dear Sir, It was my intention to manage those matters entrusted to my charge here so that you would not be particularly annoyed with any thing pertaining to them, nor that I should give occasion for suspicion. I fear I have failed in the first. Also in the latter were it not I know you rather hear than suspect.

I was sorry Father Clarke selected to your number his care by referring in his settlement with you to his and my deal at all, as we had settled and they gave a note.

The matter has assumed such a shape that I thought it best to give a little explanation. First it will be satisfactory we lived with the Clarks some four weeks. They furnished some ~~meat~~ and we furnished some, in settlement \$1,75 was in our favor. I furnished them \$5. my funds to buy some meat the two items making \$6,75 which amount has been perused to you (or rather a bill) by Mr. Clarke. I believe all I received has been perused or accounted for except one saddle blanket which I lent to Mr. Robinson it is not returned I will either get it or pay for it. I will give a bill of items for money paid out.

Most Respectfully Your Servant

Mr. Joel Palmer,

Joseph Chamberlin

Genl. Joel Palmer  
Dayton

Relative to small  
Admiral's service by him

Joseph Chamberlain  
Small Horn