

take a person through for \$25.  
dollars but he must help stand  
guard I believe that I had rather  
have a horse go on my own hook  
that is to go to come there

I please, there is nothing in  
the world that would suit  
me as well as a trip across  
the plains, so think of it  
& come out here & we will see  
if we cant make a little something  
as well as all of the rest that  
have been there

as I cannot  
think of any thing need to write

I will drop this to a close  
give my love to all enquiring  
friends, write soon of  
the matter

Truly yours H. S. Johnson  
to G. S. Burrell

→ trip across the plains

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Morrison 11 April 47

Cousin Lewis I received  
your kind & ever welcome letter a  
some days ago. but have not had  
time to answer it until to  
day I am as well as usual at  
present & I hope that these few  
lines will find you all enjoying  
good health. I am hard at work  
now, I have hired out for  
six months, to a Mr Abbott  
for one hundred dollars, I commenced  
work the 2<sup>nd</sup> of this month I think  
that I have a good place, at least  
every one that has worked for him  
say he is a good man to work  
for, one thing is certain he is  
good pay, that is half you  
know, a person can afford to work  
for a little less if he is sure  
of his pay I could have got