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MANUSCRIPT AUTHOR: Gatton, Benjamin H.

MANUSCRIPT TITLE: letter

DATE OF JOURNEY: 1849

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DATE SURVEY COMPLETED: 05/22/94

NAME OF COED SURVEYOR: Mary E. Maag

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Document ID: ( 49GAT01 )

Emigrant's last name: Gatton Surveyed by: member Maag, Mary E.  
first & middle names: Benjamin H. Date surveyed: 05/22/94  
Title: Letter - July 1, 1849

Year of journey: 1849 Year written (if different): \_\_\_\_\_ Page nos. surveyed: 1-3  
Type of document: L (D - diary; J - journal; R - reminiscence; L - letter; N - newspaper article; G - guide; A - autobiography; O - other)  
Items in document: M (use all applicable codes)  
M - daily mileages D - emigrant drawings P - emigrant maps Q - maps by editor K - biographical sketch  
I - Introduction B - bibliography N - index X - photos F - footnotes/commentaries

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PAGE 2: Journey Description

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Emigrant's occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Origin: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ M/F: M With family? (Y/N) N No. in family: \_\_\_\_\_

Departed from (code): J3 Arrived at (code): \_\_\_\_\_

Date of departure: 05/08/49 Date of arrival: \_\_\_\_\_ (use form mm/dd/yy)

Party: Springfield Rangers

Mode of travel: W (one code only: W - wagons; P - packing; L - passenger lines; H - handcart; X - other)

Number of wagons at departure: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of people at departure: \_\_\_\_\_ total \_\_\_\_\_ men \_\_\_\_\_ women \_\_\_\_\_ children

Draft animals at departure: \_\_\_\_\_ oxen \_\_\_\_\_ mules \_\_\_\_\_ horses \_\_\_\_\_ other (use X or a number)

Other animals: \_\_\_\_\_ (H - horses; C - cattle; S - sheep; P - pigs; F - fowl; D - dogs; X - other)

Guidebook used by emigrant (enter either a title, or an author and title, if given):  
\_\_\_\_\_

Routes: 1A \_\_\_\_\_ (use codes from the trail maps)

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| Last name | First names | Age | M/F | Origin | Party               | Page | Date<br>(mm/dd) | CODES |   |
|-----------|-------------|-----|-----|--------|---------------------|------|-----------------|-------|---|
|           |             |     |     |        |                     |      |                 | 1     | 2 |
| Comer     | Wm.         |     | M   |        |                     | 01   |                 | E     |   |
| "Party"   |             |     | M   |        | Springfield Rangers | 01   | 05/11           |       | W |
| Addison   |             |     | M   |        |                     | 01   | 05/11           |       | L |
| Smalley   |             |     | M   |        |                     | 01   | 05/11           |       |   |
| Hall      |             |     | M   |        |                     | 01   | 05/14           |       |   |
| "Party"   |             |     |     |        | Jerseyville Company | 01   | 05/16           |       | W |
| Knapp     | Capt.       |     | M   |        |                     | 01   | 05/16           |       |   |
| Cass      | (boys)      |     |     |        |                     | 02   | 05/17           |       |   |
| Bryant's  |             |     |     |        |                     | 02   | 05/18           |       | Q |
| "Party"   |             |     |     |        | Bloomington Company | 02   | 05/19           |       |   |
| Comer     | Wm.         |     |     |        |                     | 02   | 05/20           |       | B |
| Conover   | J. G.       |     | M   |        |                     | 02   |                 |       |   |
| Simpson   |             |     | M   |        |                     | 02   |                 |       |   |
| Mormons   |             |     |     |        |                     | 02   |                 |       | Q |

CODES for column 1:

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|--------------------------|---------------------|
| A - birth                | G - marriage (*)    |
| B - death, illness       | H - registered name |
| C - death, accident      | I - name on roster  |
| D - death, murder        | J - turned back     |
| E - death, other/unknown | K - traveling east  |
| F - name on grave        |                     |

CODES for column 2:

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|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| L - capt. of party          | R - Black              |
| M - guide of party          | S - Indian             |
| N - military                | T - Hispanic           |
| O - govt. surveyor/explorer | U - non-US citizen     |
| P - trader                  | V - Mormon             |
| Q - non-immigrant           | W - joined other party |

Codes may not apply to all names. Use up to 2 codes in each column, if multiple codes apply.

\* For marriages, bracket the spouses' names and number the couples sequentially.

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| Location                                | Page | Date  |
|---|------|-------|
| Indian station                          | 01   | 05/10 |
| big Blue River                          | 01   | 05/15 |
| junction St. Joe and Independence roads | 01   | 05/16 |
| Nimshaw                                 | 02   | 05/17 |
| little Blue river                       | 02   | 05/18 |
| Platte river                            | 02   | 05/23 |
| Grand Island                            | 02   | 05/23 |
| Fort Kearney                            | 02   | 05/24 |
| Ash Hollow                              | 02   |       |
| Fort Laramie                            | 02   |       |
| Laramie Fork                            | 03   |       |
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| CODE | Tribe name (leave blank if not mentioned) | Page | Date  |
|------|---|------|-------|
| D    | Iowa                                      | 01   | 05/10 |
| D    | Indians                                   | 02   |       |
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CODES (use up to 3 for each entry)  
A - attacked  
B - begged  
C - robbed  
D - saw Indians  
E - imagined sighting  
F - worried about Indians  
G - were warned about  
H - traded with Indians  
I - other  
J - paid toll to Indians  
K - visited/talked to Indians