

They are now about three hundred miles from Santife. -- From
some time they were in ~~in~~ the pass of the Mountain: But the severity
of the weather rendered impossible for them to winter there:
They ~~It~~ also were within three days march of a Spanish Fort of
Eight thousand strong - the name of it I have forgotten - however
Spies were sent out and reported favourable: And the city was taken
without the sound of a gun - By a band of Sourhunic's warriors.
The remainder of the company are at Fort Subulow ~~is it?~~
The last news report seven Deaths: They ^{were} conducted from Fort ~~Sanville~~
to Santife on a force march under command of one Smith who seemed
to Delight in human misery: The particulars of which would be
impossible for me to write - But suffice it to say that the severity
of the march was the cause of several Deaths - men have written back
to the camp that they have paid fifty cents for one Drink of water
and that to fill the pockets of Smith by taking the advantage
of their necessities while crossing the Sand Desert: coffee Butter and Sticks
bear the sum one Dollar per pound and other articles in proportion -
The capture and Deliverance of Brothers Woolsey and Silbitt is
worthy of note - They were taken captives by the paucice Indians and
condemned to Death - in token of all things being in readiness corn was
sprinkled between their feet: when the chief or prophet as they
called him came on the spot and commanded the savage to stay
his cruel hand - No doubt to the astonishment of all - and said that
the Great Spirit had revealed to him that those two were good
men and they must not hurt them - and accordingly unbound from
the tree and cord