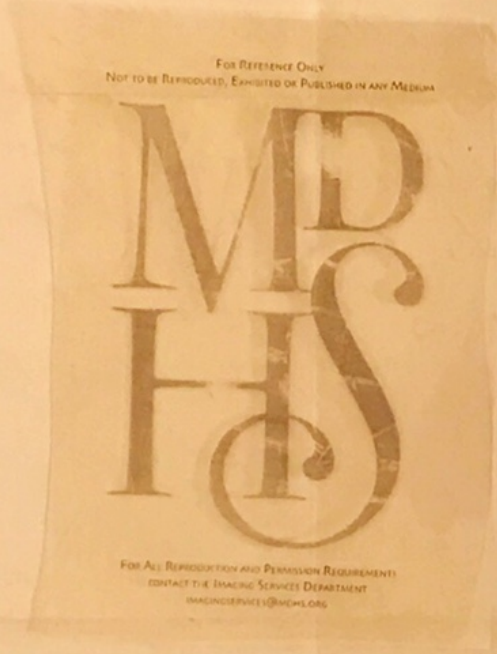


as I have been getting by a
fire all the afternoon -



Georgetown, Colo.
Aug 29 1872

My dear Billy
I was very glad
to hear that you had at last
conquered Broncho and were
riding alone - My ~~idea~~ idea is
that Broncho does not like
darkies and that he will not
let any of the blackies mount
him. I am sorry you have not
a little Jack or burro to ride.
They are safe & you could gallop
them as much as you chose
a lot of them sold here yester-
day for \$12. a piece. In
another year however you will
be strong enough to manage
Broncho even without trouble.

I am very glad to find
that you are getting to write
so well. Your letters are
quite interesting and you
will soon learn to write
very well indeed - I almost
forgot to sign his last letter
but as it came in the same
envelope with yours, I guess
it was his.

We are holding cows here
now. Sept 22 or 23 will be
over, and by the 15th September
if nothing happens I shall
be thinking of coming home.

I want just to go over the
Range into Middle Park
and get a shot at some
antelope and elk - I

don't want to see a Grizzly
Bear, because he might
hug me too hard - There
are plenty of horns over
there and deer and then
mountain sheep come
within range - But they are
as simple as goats and
live on the top crags of the
mountains like the chamois.
I did not know before there
were any wild sheep in
this country -

Give my love to Grandma
I send her a flower - and
give Ann a big {kiss} for
me. Yr. affecⁿ paper
W. W. Blunt