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I forward Mr Roddy and my own receipts for the quarter ending the 30th of June. I should like to inquire if the preemption laws can in their present form be applied to these people. In filing in their claim I understand the form is I a citizen of the United States will not their not being citizens be a bar to their claim? Can I safely advise them in case there should any advantage to them in a more speedy compliance with the requisitions of the that they can hold 160 acres. If so the same improvement that would secure a 40 acre lot would be good for 160. This would save the labour of putting a house on each 40. Those who throw in money could divide it after to suit themselves or they could purchase from those who held the preemption 5, 10, or 15 or 20 acres as they might need. I wish if there should be a suitable opportunity you would send me a set of small weights I have nothing less than 5 grains.

It is a time of pretty general health among the Indians. I have been sent for three times within a week to go to the. I rode one night all night. The Indians are busy peeling hemlock bark contracts have been made by men from

Chicago for several hundred cords. It gives them very
good employment. They get 1 doll. for peeling or two
for delivering it on the shore. My sister andabella
expect to start for their homes to day
The boys have all arrived safely