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Dear Captain Pratt

I expect to
start west about the 26th with 28
of the mechanics whom you brought
here about thirty years ago.

I intend to stop over in
Chicago for a meeting & reception.

Please advise me
1st. Will the govt. allow any
sleeping berths?

2nd How many stops are
advisable on the way for rest &c.

3 How about food? Must I
take money with me? &
collect on vouchers?

I shall be much obliged
for suggestions and information

about the trip.

I am just back after
much knocking around; Health
improves. Hope all has gone
well with you & that Mr Pratt
and the children are well.

How does it go?
Garfield's recovery will be a
great thing for us. He will
push our game work.

With regards to Mr Pratt
Mr Garfield
J. C. Munroe