

8 Give my love to Mrs. Winslow
 & tell her there is no purple or
 mulberry interesting to be bought
 so I have purchased ten yards
 of the same cotton with Mrs.
 Coffin which is ready for the
 first conveyance. I think
 you cannot do better than
 send the Iroquois oxen, as
 there will be a full load for
 them, and the carriage is
 very expensive - you must
 let me know as soon as
 possible what you determine
 on, & I will act accordingly.

While this open weather
 lasts there is no probability

of communication up or
 down the river but I hope we
 shall have a spell of north-
 wester which will bind all
 up again in a day or two.
 Murray says he shall go as
 soon as there is a possibility
 & will attend to your instructions.

Tell Marna she must
 reserve a handful of meat in
 the barrel for a ~~bar~~ Indian
 pudding against I come,
 for there are no such in this
 part of the world as she makes,
 and in return I have ready
 to send by the first sleigh a
 quartal excellent dumb