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Ellsworth, Henry Leavitt, 1791-1858
Letter, Dec. 5, 1832

DESCRIPTION

Photostat copy of 4-page letter from Ellsworth to Benjamin Silliman describing Ellsworth's journey from Canandaigua where he left the Sillimans to Fort Gibson on the Arkansas River. He mentions Indians encountered, a buffalo hunt, and river crossings and comments on the value of the lands for resettlement of the Indians.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Agriculturist; appointed by President Jackson as commissioner to superintend the settlement of the Indian tribes transplanted to the south and west of Arkansas. On his way west, he met Washington Irving, Charles Joseph Latrobe, and Count Pourtales who were traveling together. They joined him and the trip was recorded by Irving in A Tour on the Prairies, 1835, and by Latrobe in The Rambler in North America, 1835.

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