

Dear Aunt,

Camp Adams Oct. 2^d 1778

I've fixed myself to give you a Description
of the Place we are now living in which is
Indeed the most shocking I have seen in my
Travels, we have a Back Bank & in the Near
the highest Rockyest & highest Mountains have
Every where, in Front we have the North River, &
on the other side the River is a ridge of Mountains
almost reaching to the Sky. Thus we are fixed & entirely
surrounded, These Mountains are thinly inhabited
by a few Poor Mianary Whites, that know
nothing more than Contentment. but like Hops or
Wassers. The News of the Day say we are
to continue here very little longer, the Enemy
its said are preparing to move supposed
either for Boston or some of the West India
Islands. Either will move us from this
Place. Capt Rose who has promised
to lead will give the News. In closed you'll
find a Letter from for Miss Sinton please inform
her in Mother's way well. Please give
my Compl. to the Family & am Dr. Madam
y^r Obedt Serv^t
C. Smith

M^{rs} Sarah Powell

Loudoun County

Travelling
Capt Rose

Virginia

October 8th 1788