raised his gun & shot him. Martin White was accompanied by four other men. And what I have ~~sta~~ given is the substance of the statement made by one of the party ~~to a~~ in the presence of a friend of mine. ~~The~~ Frederick Brown was shot down in the road near my house. The firing of the gun & the running of the horses aroused me, & a cousin of mine who was at my house came to the door & saw two men riding away. My cousin & myself ~~went~~ started immediately to the road, saw the body lying there. He was dead, having been shot through the heart or near it. ~~The alarm was immediately given~~ His side arms were on him; they had not been touched. The cap over the sheath of his revolver was buttoned down. His Sharps rifle he had left at the place where he stopped over night.

One of White's party stated in the presence of a friend of the writer that they had been down near town & were returning when the same Brown walking across the prairie; that when he came to the road he saw them & halted, & when they came near said "good morning, boys". "Are you going to Lawrence to day?" They answered, "Yes" and saying nothing more, Brown, stepping towards them, said, "I think I ought to know you". At which Martin White, being now quite near to Brown, said, "I know you, & we are foes." And as he spoke shot him.

This is probably as near a true statement of the particulars of his death as can be given. A number of things incidental, known to the writer lead him to believe that the statement made by that person was substantially correct. White's story, as published in Spear's book on Kansas, that Brown had stolen his horses, & that he ~~had~~ saw him riding one & leading another that morning, is wholy false, & can be proven by many witnesses. ~~Brown,~~