near Hudson, Michigan
May 27th 1856

Dear Madam:

Some two weeks since while at Kansas City on some business a warrant for me from Judge Lecompte's Court appeared and a mob spent half a day looking for Geo B Brown and myself – That night the Capt. of the Band sent to where I was at the house of a Pro-Slavery man, and desired me to leave the town saying that guards were set all along the line to prevent anyone going into the Territory, so that I could not get back to Lawrence – which seems to have been the fact as Messrs Jenkins & Brown have been arrested in trying to get in – As I would be arrested if I appeared and would thus be prevented from serving our friends, I thought it best to be at liberty – Since my arrival here a U. S. Marshall with small posse has gone on to Penn to arrest me – So much in order to explain why I am away from Kansas –

And just while on my way down the River

I was informed that the Dr. was arrested at Lexington upon that most absurd and base charge of conniving at the assault upon Jones instead of High Treason as I had supposed

And next, while at Lecompton after that affair, I overheard a Pro Slavery man denouncing the whole town except myself for having a hand in it and said that it was not likely that I could be so intimate with Dr. Robinson and not know something about it

Putting all these facts together I have come to this conclusion that the hot pursuit after me, and leaving my daguerrotype, offering a reward &c which I could not account for before - has not so much for its object the getting me for a trial for High Treason as that perhaps they fancy that I may know something which would be to the point. If this is the ~~case~~ fact, my leaving at this time may prejudice your husbands case and it is that I may be fully informed that I write you -

I know no positive fact that could benefit him but if I was present at his trial or examination (if there ever is one which I doubt, if our friends at Washington stand up right) and showed them that I know on the other hand nothing to cast suspicion on him, it might be better -

Please write to him on this subject