

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 W 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 in to 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 Penna to arrest me - So much in order to explain why I am away from Kansas -

And next while on my way down the River