

Lawrence, Kansas,

Jan. 6th 1859.

Dear Doctor -

On Monday the Legislature assembled at Secorpton and organized by the election of A. Largalier, of Doniphan, speaker, B. P. Ayres, of Linn, clerk, and - Elder from the¹⁹ disfranchised counties as assistant clerk.

The Council reorganized, threw Good in overboard, but reelected Babcock.

You will wonder why Roberts, who^{was} prospect for speaker was so fair when you went away, should so easily have been defeated, Up to ~~the~~ last Thursday he seemed to be the only prominent candidate in the field, but on the arrival of the Doniphan and Atchison members it was found that the master hand of some eminent scullduggery had been at work. These persons, or some one of them, aided by some outsider, had formed a combination to take advantage of the desire of the Douglas & Johnson delegation