Leavenworth City - May 9th 1856

Dear Edd. Mail of the 29th has just been rec'd, with except for 2125 & 2126 Ind. My statute has not yet come to hand. We are again unfathomably deep in the waters of territorial trouble.

During the last two days, armed men, have been pouring towards Lawrence. The town is again invested. Before this reaches you, the telegraph will relieve your suspense.

To me, the moment looks big with fate. A company marched from here at day light this morning, numbered, it is said, by Shannon, who having found the regulars unmanageable, has turned again to his favorite militia. Just this moment precisely, a company - the second - marched past my window for the scene of strife. I went to the fort this morning to tell Sumner of what was going on. He said he would go over to morrow. Lt McIntosh, is in the neighborhood with a few troops. The pro-slavery men are now clamorous to have Sumner removed from the Army.