

In the mean time fate has been
against them. Yesterday, we learn
that a load of rifles - 75 - was
seized by the B.R.s, at Franklin
5 miles only from Lawrence. Some
pieces of cannon have also fallen
into their hands. Robinson, Brown
of the "Herald" & Miller of the "Free State"
are certainly prisoners, & the safety of
Reeder is problematical, so far as
I can learn. As to the flight of Robinson
& Reeder - the former seems to have
been counseled to leave by his friends
& left with the understanding, that
Reeder should the next day be arrested
on the attachment. This seems to have
been the advice of the Committee
& the fair understanding of the
Community. That Reeder did not live
up to it, is without doubt to be
ascribed to his fears. It might be
said, however, that had he been
arrested there is but little doubt
that he would have been instantly
hung. There was this little & it was
thought best that he should rely upon
that, in order at once to save the people.