

Lawrence
Kansas Territory
Dec 3 1854

Mr Thomas Eddy Dear Sir Your note
in answer to mine was received also
a journal — I should have answered
it before but have been some what
unsettled — as to whether I shall be
settled in Lawrence or Topeka —

However I have determined to settle
here — I have taken a store & intend
going into business here — general trade
at present — but probably in the end
establishing myself in the Book Business

The field I think to be a good one
& will eventually tell well
in troublous times

We are living in wars — You will
wars & rumors of wars — You will
probably see the account in the news
papers — We have been harassed

Several days by Missourians & the
Minions of Governor Shannon who ordered
out 3000 men to enforce the laws & they
concentrated their whole ire on this place

— men have been gathering from Mis-
-souri & some in the Territory who had similar
-views at a point about 3 or 4 miles distant