John Henry Kagi to William A. Phillips

One the back of this "original" letter, "W. A. P." (William A. Phillips) noted that it was written by John H. Kagi, a Brown lieutenant, "after taking the Negroes captured in Missouri near the southeast Kansas line. The last armed exploit of John Brown in Kansas."

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Friend Phillips:—

We are here with the fugitives. After I joined J.B. we started North. The posse thought we were going to attack them in their quarters, and took to the crossing of Spring Creek & hitched horses. We came on, and they left; and took up another position, and still another. Finally, finding that we still came on in utter disregard of them, they broke and ran for No. We caught 7 - five of them and took from them their horses and revolvers and kept the men until the next day. They thought there had been advantages on both sides, — we getting some good horses and arms, and they some valuable prisoners. The U.S. Dept. Marshal was J.W.O.P. (H.C.) Wood. One of our men chased up 9 of them 8 miles towards Atchison. The Dept. Marshal for S. Nebraska with a small posse attempted to arrest me at Ft. Kearney, when alone at my sisters, but couldn't do it. While he was raising a larger posse I escaped.

Kagi.

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