

**The War in Kansas.**

All the news from Kansas published last week, and on our outside to-day, is fully corroborated, except the attacking of Lecompton Col. Titus, we rejoice to hear, was not killed, but he was severely wounded in the hand and shoulder, and taken prisoner. The men with him were also taken prisoners, but all have since been exchanged for the six prisoners taken by our friends at Franklin, and one cannon taken at Lecompton last fall. Gen. Smith has gone to Lecompton with thirteen hundred United States troops for its defence. Private dispatches state that he will not interfere in any contest between the pro and anti-slavery parties, but will allow them to fight it out. He requires, however, that neither party shall destroy private property or burn the towns. With this restriction, he is willing both parties may "pitch in" and fight it out.

The militia of the territory have been called out, and Gen. Richardson, with a command of several hundred men, has gone to the north-western part of the territory for the purpose of cutting off the retreat of Lane, should he undertake to escape in that direction. Lane goes under the assumed name of "Col. Cook," and it is said he has two thousand men now in the field, with a prospect of large reinforcements by the first of October.

Our friends in Kansas are all under arms, and Missourians are rallying to their assistance. Here in Lexington not less than one hundred and fifty men have been raised, armed and mounted, and leave this morning for the seat of war. The three companies from this county are under the command of Capt. U. L. Boyce, Capt. Jo. C. Anderson, and Capt. H. M. Bledsoc, Jr. They take with them two pieces of cannon—one six and one eight pounder.

We think we know the Lafayette boys. They are gallant and brave, and should they fall, it will be with their backs to the field and their feet to the foe. May God protect them and the cause.

We might write sermons and dissertations upon these trouble, but that time has passed, and the time for action has come—firm, decided and united action! If the war must come, let it be now; only this we ask, that in the contest Missourians shall stand as a unit for the defence and promotion of common rights and interests. This is the only alternative left us, for the President and the whole government have failed and refused to protect us, and we must therefore protect ourselves.