

Near Topeka recently, Col. Titus, of Florida, a captain of the pro-slavery guerillas, attacked an unarmed free-state man named Smith, burned down his house and took forcible possession of his claim. The claim was a valuable one, and Gov. Shannon endeavored to buy it, but Smith's price was \$1,000, and the Governor would not give so much. Smith is seeking redress from the authorities, but nobody supposes he can get justice.