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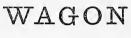
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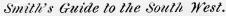
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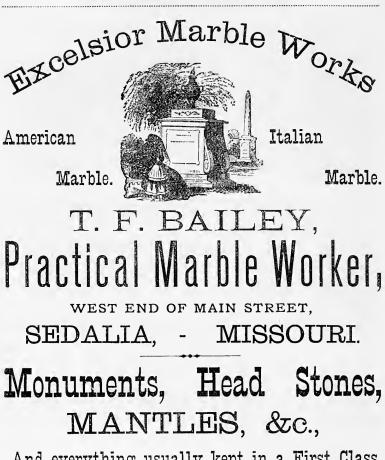
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&c., &c.

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The first capital was located at St. Charles, where it remained until 1826, at which time it was removed to Jefferson City, the present seat of government.

The area of Missouri is 67,380 square miles, being over 43,000,-000 acres; its greatest breadth from north to south is 280 miles, and from east to west is 318 miles.

The State abounds in all parts with an abundance of timber, and is watered and drained by numerous streams which make splendid power for driving machinery. The northern part is rich, rolling prairie studded with timber sufficient for all purposes, and coal in abundance and of excellent quality. The southern portion of the State is supplied with a greater amount of timber, and is justly celebrated for its great and valuable mineral productions. Coal, iron, lead, tin, and zinc are produced abundantly, and of a quality equal if not superior, to the Pennsylvania ores, and in quantities never before known,

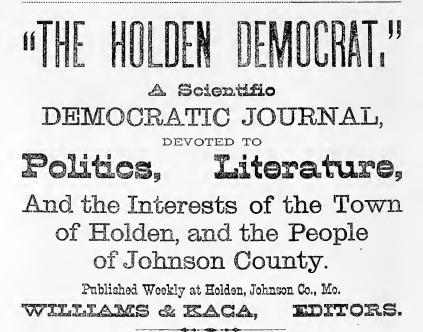
There are one hundred and fourteen counties in the State, all tolerably thickly settled, and yielding a large income to the general fund of the State.

The free school system is well and thoroughly established, and good schools maintained in all parts of the State.

The railway system of the State is very extensive and is rapidly increasing. There are now being constructed new roads all over the State, and every month adds one or more completed lines.

The climate of Missouri is mild, located as we are between the thirty-sixth and forty-first parallels, and the soil rich and productive

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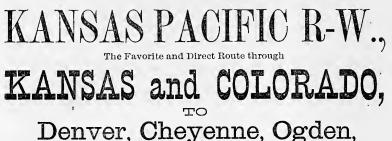
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Of the south-western portion of the State very little has been known until recently, from the fact that that portion was not accessible by river or rail, and consequently had no inducement for people to settle therein. But recently that valuable portion of our great State has been furnished an outlet by the construction of the M., K. & T. R-W., of which this book is an exhibit, which now furnishes an outlet to a great scope of country, and is a valuable feeder to the whole State. There is also being constructed a perfect network of railroads through the whole southern portion of the State, induced by the mineral deposits throughout the country.

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The State of Kansas is located in the great valley of the Mississippi between the thirty-seventh and fortieth parallels of north latitude, running east to the western boundary of the State of Missouri and west to the twenty-fifth meridian of longitude west from Washington.

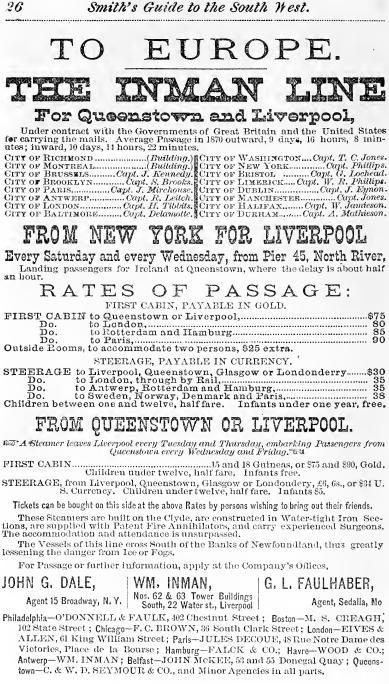
The territory was organized under an Act of Congress, approved May 30th, A. D. 1854, and was known prior to that time as the Indian Territory. After its organization as a territory, separate and apart from the Indian Territory, the country was opened for settlement and a tide of emigration never before equalled poured into the country.

It retained its Territorial organization until 1859, during which year a State Constitution was framed and submitted to the people, and being adopted in October an election was called and the first State officers elected in December 1859, on the first Tuesday of the month.

On the 29th day of January, 1861, an Act of Congress admitting Kansas as a State was approved, and in February the first Governor, Charles Robison, issued his first proclamation calling the Legislature together on the 26th of March.

Kansas contains an area of eighty thousand square miles and is as large as the whole of New England, and since its admission into the Union as a State no country has ever settled more rapidly, and no community has grown in wealth and enterprise faster, with her broad rolling prairies and wooded bottom lands, with her vast coal fields and abundance of minerals, offers facilities for emigrants and settlers that can be found in but a small portion of our broad domain.

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The climate is mild and the country generally very healthy. The State is well watered by the tributaries of the Missouri and Arkansas rivers. Fruit of all kinds is produced in abundance, of a superior flavor and extraordinary size. The southern part of the State is drained and watered to wit: The Kansas (with its tributaries, Republican, Blue, Grasshopper and Stranger in the north; the Smoky Hill, Mill Creek and Wakarusa on the south) flows into the Missouri river; and the Arkansas, rising in Colorado, flows through the State receiving the waters of the Neosho, Verdigris and many other minor streams. All of these tributaries are skirted on either side with wide belts of timber, thus supplying timber for all purposes, while large bodies of coal underlie a great portion of the State which can be mined with little expense and will supply all demands for fuel.

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The lands are situated mainly within twenty miles on each side of the road, extending one hundred and eighty miles along the

#### NEOSHO VALLEY,

The richest, finest and most inviting valley for settlement in the West. The lands are admirably adapted to fruit and vine culture, stock raising, and dairy business. They consist of rich bottoms, level, undalating and rolling prairie, usually convenient to wood and stone, spring, creek or river water. Situated between the parallels of 37 and 39 degrees north latitude, the temperature is generally mild and equable, requiring little hay for wintering of stock.

Interspersed among cultivated tracts, and lying in large bodies together, they present inducements to families, neighborhood settlements, and large colonics, possessed by no other lands in the State. While the lands of similar corporations have been *culled* by the two hundred thousand settlers of the last two years, these have been rigidly reserved intact, and now are open to the actual hard-working settler—the bone and sinew of the nation.

SOIL.—Most of the State rests upon a elay sub-soil, with a black alluvial mould above. Along the streams and rivers this mould is from three to six feet deep, and on the uplands or prairies, from one to three feet. Its richness a generation cannot exhaust.

Corn-land, planted continuously ever since the opening of the territory, some tifteen years, retains its productiveness apparently undiminished. or south, in either case of which, this very popular railroad must be the great line of transit for these surplus products.

The vast country now traversed by these routes has heretofore remained almost obscure, from the fact that it was inaccessible except by the slow transit of team and wagon, which our American people have not the patience to endure. The opening of these roads has however, really, for the first time opened the country to settlement, and its civilizing influence is already perceptible for many miles on either side of the line. The lands are rich and productive, well watered, sufficient timber for all purposes and an abundance of coal, lead and iron in many localities, which will be found described in other parts of this book.

The Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway Company have of these lands 1,300,000 acres, mainly situated in the great Neosho Valley, a minute description of which will be found in another part of this volume, to which we call the special attention of our readers.

#### CONSTRUCTION.

The construction of the several Divisions of this combination has been pushed forward with a rapidity seldom known in the history of railroad building, and is perhaps owing to the practicability and personal supervision of the very efficient management, their practical methods of doing work and indomitable energy in pushing it forward to completion, this Company having completed over three hundred and fifty miles of railroad within the past year.

#### SEDALIA DIVISION.

This line, through the State of Missouri, was originally organized under the name of the Tebo & Neosho Railroad Company in 1860 and the line located to Clinton, about forty miles, but nothing was done on the line during the continuance of the war. In 1866 the plan was again revived and the Company re-organized, and the line (or an experimental survey) run to Fort Scott, Kansas. In 1867 the line was relocated to Clinton and in the latter part of the year a contract was let, (even before any subscriptions were realized), and work began, but being too heavy a burden upon the few enterprising leaders to keep the work going forward and sustain the Company's credit, a negotiation was made with the present Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway Company and in the latter part of the year 1869 a transfer was made to them and the line consolidated with the M., K. & T. R-W., and in May, 1870, work was begun in earnest, under the name of the Sedalia Division

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AGRICULTURE.—One-third of the labor required at the East in the culture of farms will insure here double the amount of crops. Frequently the first crop of sod-corn will pay the expense of breaking. This crop is grown without labor, save that of a boy who drops the corn into every third furrow. The yield in favorable seasons is thirty bushels to the acre. One year rots the sod, and the second year will produce from 40 to 70 bushels to the acre of corn, 20 to 40 of wheat, 50 to 70 ot oats, and 100 to 300 of potatoes, and other crops in proportion.

The high, rolling prairie, is the finest wheat land in the world and when plowed deeply stands a drouth, and produces corn nearly as well as the best of our bottom lands. For orchards, grape culture and small fruits in general, it is far superior, and is least affected by frosts. On the sides of the bluffs and in the roughest lands the grape-vine revels in luxurious profusiou. In fact, we have but little waste land among the farms of Neosho valley: simply a healthful, economical variety of soil.

BUILDING MATERIAL AND PENCING.—The varieties of timber are Cottonwood, Hackberry, Loeust. Oak. Hickory, and Black Walnut, situated mostly on the large rivers and creeks, and hid away in ravines, unobservant to the common traveler. The prairie fires alone have kept the timber from spreading out upon the rolling upland indefinitely. Left to themselves, the trees are of rapid growth, and to-day we have more timber in the State than ten years ago. The system of hedging will be the most effectual firebreaks, and, at the same time, turnish the cheapest and most durable fence that can be made. The Osage Orange is the article used. This with the ground prepared, cm be set out by nurserymen, and warranted, for thirty-five cents per rod, and in four years will turn stock. Within convenient distance of almost every quarter section are the finest quarries of linestone, furnishing the best of material for house, barn, fences, etc.

Farming in New York, Ohio, Michigan, etc., required a lifetime of severest toil to clear off and subdue a field of fair dimensions from the trees, so as to render the farm in the same condition as our Kansas land now is, without a single blow.

STOCK RAISING.—The rich native grasses of the prairies and bottoms, with the large area of unoccupied lands, in connection with the dry, mild and open winters, present unequalled advantages for the raising of cattle, sheep and horses. Many do not feed their cattle at all during the winter; but still the good farmer will put up stacks of hay, and during the few cold, wet spells, and in case of a casual snow-storm, feed them. Using machinery, hay can be put up at \$2,00 per ton. A Kansas pioneer, of ten years' experience, informs us that, by purchasing yearlings at \$10,00 per head, he can double his money by selling in one year, with an outlay of \$2.00 per head; and that, with native stock, from natural increase, with proper care, he can double the value of his stock every three years.

M., K. & T. R-W., and was pushed forward to Fort Scott, Kansas, one hundred and ten miles in the short space of seven months. reaching that city on the 12th day of December, 1870.

The country along this Division is beautiful rolling prairie, dark rich soil, as good an agricultural region as exists on the continent, and is supplied with a quantity of timber and an abundance of excellent coal. This line, starting from Sedalia. runs southwesterly, crossing in its course several branches of the Osage. Grand, Tebo and Drywood rivers in Missouri, and the Neosho and Marmaton rivers in Kansas, The principal divides are those between the Osage and Grand, Osage and Drywood, and the Neosho and Marmaton, the highest divide being one hundred and fifty feet above the adjacent valley. The line from Sedalia traverses the most beautiful country in the world, and is constructed on light grades and easy curves, the maximum grade being 52.8 feet per mile, and the sharpest curve a radius of 1,910 feet. The only navigable stream is the Osage, over which is constructed a drawbridge.

There are on this Division twenty stations, to-wit : Sedalia to Keightley's (a flag station),  $6\frac{1}{2}$  miles: Green Ridge,  $12\frac{1}{4}$  miles; Windsor, 21 miles; Calbonn, 281 miles: Lewis (a flag station) 32<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> miles; Clinton, 39<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> miles; Montrose, 52<sup>1</sup>/<sub>5</sub> miles; Appleton City; 583 miles ; Rockville, 67 miles ; Schell City, 72 miles; Walkers, 823 miles, Nevada, 90 miles; Deerfield (a flag station), 991 miles; Fort Scott, 1104 miles; Marmadon (a flag station), 1174 miles; Hepler (a flag station), 1304 miles; Walnut, (a flag station), 137 miles; Osage Mission, 145 miles; and Parsons, the junction of the Neosho Division and Indian Territory Extension, 159 miles. These towns, or many of them, are new, having been located since the completion of the railroad and have grown to some importance. Windsor, Calhoun, Clinton and Nevada, however, are older places, but the railroad has given them an impetus and their growth has been remarkable. Sketches of these towns will be found in this book, giving each a minute description, also the surrounding country.

#### IRON, TIES, BRIDGES, &C.

The iron used upon this Division is the fish bar, well known as a superior coupling, rendering the track smoother and less noisy than the ordinary "chair." The ties are of oak, of good size, and 2,640 laid to the mile. The road is ballasted with natural earth, well rounded up in the center with good drainage. The bridges used (the Howe truss and Past combination), are of superior strength and durability.

#### ADVERTISEMENT.

A Kentuckian, who intends to settle on our lands, in a letter just received. says: "I examined Labette and Neosho Counties last winter, and I consider the region of your Land Grants to be the very centre of the live-stock trade in this part of the continent. It is a region better adapted to the growth of live-stock, and the making of butter and cheese, than any other in the same latitude. Its lime-stone soil, in time, will be the best Blue Grass lands in the world."

FRUIT-GROWING—Is one of the *specialties*, as demonstrated by the Gold Medal awarded to the State of Kansas, by the Pennsylvania State Horticultural Society, for "A COLLECTION OF FRUITS UNSURPASSED FOR SIZE, BEAUTY AND FLAVOR," and as exhibited at the National Pomological Congress in Philadelphia, September, 1869. The peach crop of 1868 was so abundant, that peaches sold all the way from fifty cents to \$2 per bushel.

The pear and apple crop of 1869 gives positive assurance of success in this department. Small fruits; such as currants, gooseberries, raspberries, blackberries, strawberries, plums, and cherries are 'a sure crop, and yield abundantly. Grapes here are in their glory. Our numerous and well-established vineyards, and the fact that farmers raise their own grapes, settle the question that this is the paradise for grapes. They constitute one of our chief luxuries, and are a source of great profit.

WELLS AND RAIN.—Springs of the finest water are numerous, and good wells can be had by digging from twelve to forty feet. More rain falls here than in France; and while the annual amount is less here than in Western New York, yet the quantity is greater in Kansas, during the season that it is most needed. For instance, during the spring, the fall of rain in Kansas is twelve inches; while in Western New York it is only ten. In the summer months it is twelve inches in both sections. But in autumn it is two inches greater in New York. In winter in the form of rain and snow, seven inches are had in New York, while only three fall in Kansas. Hence, while it is cloudy, wet and uncomfortable in New York, here it is dry and pleasant, and convenient for work and business nearly the entire winter.

RIVERS, ETC.—The great Neosho river, the Osage, the Cottonwood, with the Walnut, Labette, Verdigris, and Fall rivers; Clarke, Lyon, McDowel, Humboldt, Mill, Deep, Rock, Diamond, Allen, Coal, Salt, Turkey, Elm, Wolf, Indian, and Hickory creeks, and their hundreds of affluents, too numerous to mention, constitute a natural system of water-works for supplying man and beast, with nature's healthful beverage, and draining the country from all surperfluities, and nourishing along the banks, in favorite haunts, forests of Cottonwood, Hackberry, Locust, Maple, Ash, Elm, Oak, Hickory, and Black Walnut. As the fires are stopped, these will extend more and more, till Kansas can produce its own Lumber, independent of the pine forests of the North and South.

THE CLIMATE AND HEALTH of Kansas are unequalled. These,

Water is supplied by several methods, natural ponds and wells at convenient distances, and in abundance. The road is not yet fenced, as the demands of the country have not rendered it very necessary, but preparations are being made to build good post and board fences along the whole line.

The principal offices of the Company are located at Sedalia, the terminus of this Division, where the Company own extensive grounds and have a part of their machine shops already erected. The rolling stock is uniform on all the Divisions, a description of which will be found under its proper head.

#### NEOSHO DIVISION.

This Division of the M., K. & T. R-W. was the first of the grand network put under construction by the present management. It begins at Junction City, Kansas, in the valley of the Smoky Hill, and runs in a southeasterly direction to Parsons, the junction of the Sedalia Division and Indian Territory Extension, a distance of one hundred and fifty-six miles.

This road was originally organized in 1865 by a local Directory, consisting of twenty-three citizens representing Davis, Morris, Lyon, Coffey and Woodson counties, and the first Board of Directors was elected in January, 1866, and in February received a grant of 125,000 acres of land from the State, that being its portion of Government grant for internal improvement, and in July Congress made a grant of alternate sections along the line. During the same year the lands of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe R. R. were transferred to this Company. In 1867 the counties named, except Woodson, voted, in the aggregate, \$730,000 in thirty year bonds, and arrangements were made with parties to build the road in consideration of its franchises, and in October of the same year work began and progressed slowly for a short time and then ceased altogether, and remained in statu quo for about a year, when the contract was cancelled and another one entered into with Land Grant, Railway & Trust Co., of New York, now the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway Company.

An engineer was immediately put in charge of the construction, with headquarters at Junction City; the road was then known as the Union Pacific Southern Branch, but its name was subsequently changed to that of the M., K. & T. R-W. Work was commenced by this Company in December, 1868, and made slow progress until August, 1869, at which time the route was partially graded only thirty-five miles and only five miles of track laid.

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indeed, are among its chief excellencies, and are recommendations for its settlement. The atmosphere is dry and pure, and singularly beneficial to persons predisposed to consumption and bronchial affections. For eatarrhal ailments it is a specific. Many enjoy health here who have been given up to die East. No country in the world has a better system of natural drainage. Marshes and stagnant ponds are scarcely known ; while billious diseases are incident to all new countries, in this, to some extent, with proper care, may be avoided. Those who will live upon low bottoms out of the way of the prarie breezes, till they are acclimated, may expect to occasionally have a "touch of the ague," and also of the "blues." The winters are short, dry and pleasant, snow usually lying on the ground but a few hours at the longest. No country in the world furnishes a larger number of days in the year in which out-door work can be done. In the hottest days of summer there is usually a cooling breeze. The nights, always cool, make the hottest days quite endurableto the tired laborer, falling into the "arms of balmy sleep, Nature's sweet restorer.i'

SCHOOLS AND CHURCHES.—The Common and Higher Schools of the State are endowed with lands to the value of millions of dollars, a portion of which have been sold and invested, yielding a heavy income. In all our Educational Institutions no distinction on account of sex is allowed, and from the highest to the lowest scholar all have instruction adapted to their several conditions. There is no necessity of sending students to Harvard and Yale.

Churches of all denominations are common, and liberally supported and attended. Though a State scarcely ten years old, we have all the appliances and means of improvement, intellectually, socially and morally, of the older States of fifty years growth. PRICES OF LIAND.—Our lands vary in price, usually from \$2 to

PRICES OF LAND.—Our lands vary in price, usually from \$2 to \$10 per aere, are sold upon the credit of ten (10) years' time, and on more favorable terms than those of any other company in the State. It is our purpose to prevent, as far as possible any speculation in the lands of this Company, and to encourage sales to ACTUAL SETTLERS alone.

TERMS OF SALE.—One-tenth down at the time of purchase. No payment the second year, except the interest. One-tenth every year after until completion of payments, with annual interest at the rate of ten per cent. This is the usual interest of the State. Any one wishing to save the interest can have the privilege of paying up at any time.

#### EXAMPLE.

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when the present manager, Hon. E. S. Stevens, took charge of the work, and in November regular passenger trains were running to Council Grove, thirty-seven miles, and in June, 1870, the road was completed to the Indian Territory, one hundred and seventy-nine miles.

This Division traverses one of the finest valleys in the great West; from Junction City in runs nearly south to the summit of the divide between the Smoky Hill and Clark's Creek, a branch of the Kansas, a distance of about twelve miles, where it reaches an elevation of about four hundred feet above the Smoky Hill valley; from this point it descends into the valley of Clark's Creek, crossing the stream and ascending the divide separating the waters of the Kansas and Neosho rivers. The summit of this divide is about twenty miles from Junction City and is an elevation of about six hundred feet above the Smoky Hill. Up to this point the country from Junction City is bluffy and abrupt, and the road has quite a number of eurves, the maximum grade being fifty-two feet.

After descending from this elevation, in a distance of about four miles, the road is fairly in the great Neosho valley following down this fertile scope of country in the valley by easy grades and long tangents to New Chicago, one hundred and thirty miles from Junction City, where it again leaves the valley, crossing another divide into the valley of Labotte Creek, a large tributary of the Neosho, which valley it follows to Parsons, the Junction of the several Divisions of this Company.

The country along the line of this Division is most excellent, especially along the Neosho valley, consisting of broad rich bottom land, and fine productive rolling prairie, convenient to timber, and well supplied with good coal and excellent rock. The land is well watered and drained by numerous small creeks, and is well adapted to stock raising. The climate is mild and the winters short and dry, requiring little hay or extra food for the wintering of stock. The uneven portion of the country, as between Junction City and Parker valley, is well adapted to raising of grapes, producing some of the finest specimens in the whole country; also the best and hardiest fruits, with but little labor and expense.

The bottom lands, as also the high rolling prairie, has a dark alluvial soil from two to five feet deep, with the ordinary clay subsoil. The high lands are considered among the best in the country for wheat and small grains, and the bottoms admirably adapted to the raising of corn and root crops, both yielding largely with little labor. Much of the land of this Company is situated in this cele-

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THE PRINCIPAL LAND OFFICE

Is located at Neosho Falls, with Branch Office at Sedalia, Mo., to either of which places immigrants, and persons desiring to see the lands of this Company, should purchase tickets. Large maps of the road and the lands can be seen, and important information gained, not possessed at any other point.

Titles to land can alone be fixed at this office. Persons wishing to visit the lands along the line of the road will be furnished with letters to our various Agents appointed to show them. For further information, address

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## ISAAC T. GOODNOW,

Land Commissioner, Neosho Falls, Kansas. brated Neosho valley and the Company's land office is located at at Neosho Falls.

There are twenty-three stations along this Division as follows, to-wit: Junction City to Skiddy, 13 miles; Parkerville, 24 miles: Council Grove,  $36\frac{3}{4}$  miles: Big John (a flag station), 40 miles; Rock Creek (a flag station),  $44\frac{3}{4}$  miles; Americus,  $52\frac{3}{4}$  miles; Emporia (the junction with the Osage Division),  $61\frac{1}{4}$  miles; Neosho Rapids, 69 miles; Hartford, 75 miles; Strawn (flag station), 83 miles; Burlington,  $89\frac{1}{4}$  miles; Leroy,  $100\frac{1}{2}$  miles; Neosho Falls (the Company's land office is located here),  $106\frac{3}{4}$  miles; Humboldt,  $121\frac{1}{4}$ miles; New Chicago,  $130\frac{3}{4}$  miles; Austin,  $138\frac{1}{4}$  miles; Galesburg, 145 miles; Ladore,  $151\frac{1}{4}$  miles; Parsons (the junction of the several Divisions),  $156\frac{1}{4}$  miles; Labette City,  $163\frac{1}{4}$  miles; Oswego,  $170\frac{1}{4}$ miles; Chetopa (State line between Kansas and Indian Territory),  $179\frac{1}{2}$  miles.

These stations are mostly go-ahead, lively towns now growing rapidly, and of which sketches will be found elsewhere in this book with a minute description of each town and the surrounding country.

#### IRON, TIES, BRIDGES, &C.

The iron used on all Divisions of this road is uniform, the only difference in the track being the connection; on this Division the ordinary chair coupling is used. Tics are oak and same number per mile (2,640), as on Sedalia Division. The Howe truss and Past combination bridges are also used upon all parts of these roads; there are twenty-seven bridges built upon the line from 110 to 180 feet in length. The ballast is earth and the track well rounded up in the center and well drained. Water is supplied by natural ponds and wells.

#### GRADIENTS, CURVES, &C.

The sharpest curvature on this line, is a minimum radius of 1,146 feet; the sharpest gradient is 52 feet per mile. From the head of the Neosho valley to the State line, 92 per cent. of the road is straight line, and only 8 per cent. curvature.

#### CHEROKEE DIVISION OR INDIAN TERRITORY EXTENSION.

This Division extends from Chetopa almost due south to Fort Gibson in the Indian Territory, 82 miles, and will be completed to that point in June. Work is now being pushed forward at a rapid rate. This line passes through the Cherokee, Creek and Choctaw nations. The first twenty miles from Chetopa, is rather abrupt and

bluffy, where it enters a rolling country with very light grades and easy curves. The maximum grade is 52.8; maximum radius of curvature, 2,865 feet. Of this Division, 95 per cent. is a straight line, and 5 per cent. curvature. There are but few streams crossed between Chetopa and Fort Gibson; at the latter place it will cross both the Verdigris and Arkansas rivers, where these rivers will have to be bridged and about 2.000 feet of truss bridging will be required. It is the intention of the Company to push the work forward to Preston on, Red river, the present season, and surveying parties have already located the line.

After passing Fort Gibson, and between there and Preston are several large streams; North Fork of Canadian, Canadian and Red rivers, which streams must be bridged and will require from 600 to 1,500 feet of truss bridging each.

Leaving Chetopa this line enters the Indian Territory, through which it has an exclusive right-of-way, while in Texas the Company is organized under a special law of the Legislature, which is virtually retaining the organization that it has in Missouri, Kansas and the Indian Territory, in Texas with certain additional privileges.

#### IRON, TIES, BRIDGES, &C.

The same material for these several classes of construction is used as on the Scdalia Division already described.

#### OSAGE DIVISION.

This Division commences at Holden, Mo., on the Paeific railroad forty-three miles west of Sedalia, running west via Harrisonville, Mo., and Paola and Ottawa, Kansas, to a junction with the Neosho Division, a distance of 125 miles.

This line of road is now under construction and is being rapidly built, as are all the lines under this management. The road is now under operation to the State line, 35 miles, and will be completed to Ottawa during the present season, and will when completed, be almost the connecting link forming a triangle which nearly completes the circuit around a large scope of country.

The country along the line of this road is one of rare attractions, is beautiful rolling prairie, very productive and abounds in vast coal fields, which promise, with proper facilities for transportation, to become a vast source of revenue for that part of country.

#### ROLLING STOCK.

These roads are as well stocked as any in the country; their

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rolling stock is of the best manufacture and supplied with all modern improvements, affording all conveniences for the comfort of passengers and shipment of freights or stock. They have the elegant twelve-wheeled coaches, and best and most luxurious sleeping coaches, also an abundance of box, flat, cattle and coal cars for the accommodation of their extensive business, to-wit: 30 locomotives, 25 passenger coaches, 300 flat cars, 400 box cars, 250 stock cars, and 65 coal cars. This exhibit far exceeds that of any new railroad in the country, and while it meets the present demands, their growing business will soon necessitate large additions.

#### CONNECTIONS.

This grand consolidation have numerous connections in its triangular system, to-wit:

SEDALIA DIVISION, at Sedalia, with the Missouri Pacific Railroad for St. Louis and Eastern cities; and for Warrensburg, Holden, Kansas City and the great Northwest. At Fort Scott, with the Missouri River, Fort Scott & Gulf Railroad, for Girard, Columbus, Baxter Springs and the South, and for Kansas City and the North.

NEOSHO DIVISION, at Junction City, with the Kansas Pacific Railroad for Denver, Cheyenne, Salt Lake City and San Francisco, and for all Eastern cities. At Emporia, with the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad for Topeka At New Chicago, with the Leavenworth, Lawrence & Galveston Railroad for Leavenworth, Lawrence, Atchison, St. Joseph, Council Bluffs and Omaha.

OSAGE DIVISION, at Holden, with the Missouri Pacific Railroad for Sedalia, St. Louis and the East. At Ottawa, with the Leavenworth, Lawrence & Galveston Railroad for New Chicago and the South, and Lawrence, Leavenworth and Omaha. At Emporia, with the Neosho Division for all points North, West and South, and with the Atchison & Santa Fe Railroad for Topeka.

#### FRANCHISES OF THE ROAD.

The land grants of the road are embraced under four Congressional Acts. Under these grants the Company come into possession, 1st, of the grant to the Neosho Branch of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe road between Emporia and New Chicago, amounting to 130,076 acres of very choice lands; 2d, in the grant of Congress, July, 1866, to the State of Kansas for the benefit of the U. P. R. R. Southern Branch, lands embracing the odd sections of the first ten miles on either side, and the odd and even sections of

the second ten miles as indemnity; which last provision secured for the Company the even sections free, and clear of all conflict with any road crossing the line. The grant was made with a view to the extension of the road through the Indian Territory. 3d. Under an Act of 1841, 500,000 acres of land were granted to the State of Kansas, which land was selected by special Commissioners in 1863, prior to any Act granting lands to railroads. Of these lands the Company have one-fourth, comprising some of the choicest lands of the company, having been selected in Morris, Davis, Greenwood, Butler, Clay, Cloud and Riley Counties. 4th, the Company acquired the tract known as the "Osage Ceded Lands," extending from the north part of Neosho County, south fifty miles and east and west thirty miles. Beginning about four miles south of Humboldt and reaching to the "Government Strip." It embraces some of the best lands of the Company, comprising Neosho and Labette counties. These lands were acquired by the Company under a treaty of September, 1865, with the Great and Little Osages. This land is beautifully located, the Neosho with several important tributaries running through its whole length.

In addition to these lands the Company have purchased 6,400 acres of the Kaw Reservation, lying at and around Americus Station; a number of fine cleared farms along the Neosho, originally purchased for ties and timber, but which is now sold on the same terms as the regular lands; also 30,010 acres of the Sac and Fox Reservation, lying in Osage and Coffey counties; this is also very fine land which was originally bought by the noted Indian traders, Northrup and Chick. The total Congressional grant amounts to one million, three hundred thousand acres. Besides this there was a reasonable amount of local aid subscribed, but only about one-half of it has been realized, aggregating about \$30,000.

#### POLICY OF THE COMPANY.

The policy of this company is of the most liberal nature towards the resident and emigrant, the Company regarding their own interest as identical with the public wants and welfare of the country at large. They solicit purchasers and render all possible facilities in examining their lands, visiting their land office, examining maps, records, &c., and furnishing the guidance of experienced agents in examining localities to suit the ideas of purchasers. The Company has also adopted a very liberal policy with that unfortunate class of people called "Leaguers," with whom the general community have but little patience or tolerance, but whose

true position the Company understands and appreciates. Toward the resident population the Company has adopted an equally liberal policy, and has proven by its fair dealings that the road is no monopoly, nor will the Company take advantage of any man's necessity. Where there is no competition the rates of travel and traffic remain uniform, and are below the average rates throughout the State.

The gentlemen in charge of the Company's lands are men who have long been identified with the State and know its wants and necessities; they know what should be done for the promotion of the welfare of the country, and study to forward the common interest of the State and do so by their liberality to settlers and inducements to emigrants.

The Company's lands are sold at a mer'e nominal price and the appraisals are fixed without regard to neighboring improvements, thus giving the purchasers the benefit of all advance in price from the fact of the settlement of certain localities, and guaranteeing to them all the benefits in the rise of lands in the settling up of a new country.

#### PERSONALS, ETC.

Under this head the publisher takes a special license, which, though perhaps is not an embodiment in the history of the M.,  $K_z \& T$ . R-W., is directed to the source from whence comes the popularity of the road, and consequently the source to which its success is mainly attributed. This reference is made to the gentlemanly and efficient management of the road, the general officers and those who have their special duties to perform.

R. S. STEVENS, General Manager of these lines is a gentleman thoroughly identified with the West and has gained a precedence in railroad building that places him high in the estimation of all lovers of progress. He has gathered around him men of similar progressive spirit who render effective aid in pushing their work to completion and managing its details.

MAJOR O. B. GUNN, Chief Engineer of these roads, is a gentleman of wide experience in the business; is also thoroughly identified with the west and her institutions. To him is attributed much praise in the location of these roads south from Clinton, on Sedalia Division, and from Emporia, on Neosho Division. The location of a railroad is a task that few men have the moral courage to undertake, and to be successful in making a good location requires great experience and excellent judgement. Major Gunn's location of the M. K. & T. Railway is a success in every particular, as is acknowledged by all practical railroad men. He is a valuable acquisition to the management of these roads, being a gentleman deservedly popular with everybody.

H. D. MIRICK, General Ticket and Freight Agent, is a genman of indomitable energy and large capacity, handling the extensive business with ease and precision. This is a very important office and requires a gentleman with a peculiar faculty, as much of the business of a road depends upon the good offices of its General Agents. Mr. Mirick fills our ideal of the man for the place and renders valuable services to the Company and its patrons.

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## SEDALIA, MO.

This beautiful city is located about the centre of Pettis county on an elevated prairie and overlooks a vast scope of country.

Sedalia was located in 1860 and laid out for a town by Gen. Geo. R. Smith and Dr. W. L. Felix. The tract was originally owned by General Smith, and was occupied by him for agricultural purposes up to the date mentioned.

The Pacific railroad was the first line completed to this eity, which was finished to Sedalia in December, 1860, and remained the terminus for nearly three years. In 1862 the seat of government for the county was removed from Georgetown to Sedalia and improvements went forward at a rapid rate. Sedalia has superior advantages in location, being near the center of the State, one hundred and eighty nine miles west from St. Louis and eighty nine miles east of Kansas City, thirty three miles south of the Missouri River; has extraordinary railroad facilities, having now two roads completed, the Missouri Kansas and Texas Railway, opening the vast south-west, [and of which this volume is intended to be a correct exhibit] is one of the greatest projects ever known, being a grand net work over the States of Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas, Indian Territory, Texas and Mexico; the principal offices are located here. The Missouri Pacific railroad traversing the State from east to west whose extensions reach far out upon the western plains. The projected routes are the St. Louis, Sedalia and St. Joseph railroad, running from Sedalia, via Lexington to St. Joseph, the grading of which is already completed to Lexington and the road will be completed to that point within the present year. The Tebo and Neosho, north eastern extension, running from Sedalia via Brownville, and Fayette to Moberly to connect with



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The country surrounding and adjacent to Sedalia is high rolling prairie, rich in soil and productive of all crops and fruits; the soil is a rich black loam with a subsoil of clay. We have an abundance of timber for all purposes and a superior quality of coal for fuel and manufacturing purposes.

No town in the west has had a more rapid and permanent growth, being now only ten years old and having a population of six thousand, three hundred and thirteen firms doing business. nine churches, and four railroads, completed and projected. We have as good Schools and school buildings as can be found in the State, as the following from the Superintendent's report for 1870 will show:

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Total.

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Being two large commodious brick houses, located on beautiful grounds and equal in every respect to any academical Institutes, together with houses of less pretentions for the accommodation of the colored people.

The Masons have a flourishing organization in Sedalia, consisting of Sedalia Lodge No. 236; Sedalia R. A. Chapter, Granite Lodge No. 257; Sedalia Council No. 5, and St. Omer Commandery No. 11 have a fine Hall well furnished. The Odd Fellows have Neapolis Lodge No. 153; Sedalia Encampment No, 33 and D. O. H. Society; the organization is in a very flourishing condition, notwithstanding their hall and furniture have been twice destroyed by fire within the present year (1871); at present they have no hall but such an energetic body cannot long remain "unhoused."

Empire Fire Company is a very fine volunteer company com-posed of the best citizens. This company have a fine steam engine and all appurtenances in accordance.

The Turners also have an organization with a large membership; they have a good hall and are in a flourishing condition.

The Central Missouri Agricultural and Mechanical Association have large and beautiful grounds adjoining the city and hold their annual exhibitions here as also the Central Missouri Horse Association. Both of these organizations tend to greatly improve the products of the country, their effects already being perceptible.

The Sedalia Library association is another organization of



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great benefit in an intellectual point of view and is already a success although but a few months organized.

The climate of Sedalia is mild and the winters short, with but little snow, and generally very healthy.

Emigrants looking westward for homes will consult their interests by visiting Pettis county and noting the quality and price of lands and the advantages to be derived by settling in a country where they can have all religious and educational facilities.

One daily newspaper, the *Daily Bazoo*, the only daily paper between St. Louis and Kansas City, J. West Goodwin, publisher, and three weekly newspepers, the *Times* by C. M. Walker, the *Bazoo*, by J. West Goodwin and the *Democrat* by the Democratic Press Company, A. Y. Hull manager and Editor, also two monthly papers, the *Real Estate and Travelers Guide*, by Magann and Walker and the *Great Western Real Estate Register* by J. M. Byler, are published here.

Land in the vicinity of Sedalia can be bought at from ten to sixty dollars per acre according to location and improvement.

No portion of the west possesses more attractions than Pettis County; nor can any city present a brighter prospect for future growth than Sedalia, representing as it does every branch of trade and industry. Sedalia can boast of as extensive stores as any city in the State of double the size. Of these reliable and extensive establishments we will mention ; in hardware, iron, &c., the extensive establishment of H. B. Fletcher & Co., No. 42, Main St., which firm exhibit a determination to meet every demand in their line. Chas. A. Dexter, Esq. No. 51, Main St., and Post Office building, Ohio St., two extensive stores, is another one of those sterling business men who see the necessities of business and never hesitates to bring forward goods to meet the growth and developement of the country, having now two extensive stores in successful operation in Sedalia. He always keeps a well selected and varied stock of Books and Stationery, and to facilitate the workings and meet the demands attendent upon railroad progress, has added to his business that of Civil Engineer's supples and boasts of keeping the only house in the State where a complete outfit in this line can be procured. Add this to his extensive business of wholesale and retail, Books, Periodicals, Stationery. Blanks, Blank Books, &c., and he is the most extensive dealer in the State outside of St. Louis, and will give inducements that will justify dealers in investigating.

In the line of Dry Goods, Carpets, &c,. the noted "Chicago

Store," No. 19 Main St., recently established by Clute & Bro., offers great inducements. The proprietors are brim full of enterprise and are building up a trade that eannot be surpassed at any point. They deserve the favorable consideration of trader and dealer.

The Photograph business is ably represented in Sedalia by Mrs. G. L. Faulhaber, whose gallery is fitted up with all modern paraphernalia and whose pictures show the finish of the true artist.

Another institution worthy of favorable mention is the first National Bank, an establishment of sterling worth to any community and a great lever in forwarding improvements. The officers and directors are men very favorably known in the community as fair and liberal gentlemen.

We could continue to enumerate the business of Sedalia to almost any length but our space will not permit.

### KEIGHTLEY'S STATION, MO.,

Is a flag station on the Sedalia Division M. K. & T. R. W.,  $6\frac{1}{2}$  miles south of Sedalia in Pettis county, and is surrounded by a rich country, high rolling prairie, convenient to timber and water. The lands in this vicinity are rich and productive and are worth from five to twenty-five dollars per acre according to improvements.

## GREEN RIDGE, MO.,

Is a passenger and telegraph station on the Sedalia division M. K. & T. R. W.  $12\frac{1}{2}$  miles south of Sedalia, and has one store, one Harness and Shoe Shop, one Wagon and Blacksmith Shop; one Grain and Produce Dealer, Post Office, &c. There are at this place three store buildings, the second story of one of them is occupied for church purposes.

The country in and around Green Ridge is level prairie, the soil rich and productive and selling at a very reasonable price. ranging from twelve to twenty-five dollars per acre for improved farms and from five to twelve dollars per acre for lands unimproved. Coal abounds in this vicinity and is easy of access for purposes of fuel.

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## WINDSOR, MO.

This enterprising growing village is situated in the North East corner of Henry County, on the Tebo Creek, twenty one miles South West of Sedalia, the county seat of Pettis county; nineteen miles north-east of Clinton, the county seat of Henry county; ninety miles from Fort Seott, Kansas; two hundred and ten miles from St. Louis, and four hundred and forty three miles from Chicago, on the Missouri, Kansas, and Texas Railway. The village occupies a beautiful elevation on the south side of the Tebo, and has a country surrounding it that cannot be surpassed by any locality in the West.

Windsor is one of the first towns laid out in central Missouri; was laid out for a town in the fall of 1855, by Mr. R. F. Taylor, now residing in the village. The plat of the town is not by cardinal points, but the streets run almost south-west, north-east and northwest by south-east. The portion of country now occupied by Windsor was originally a part of Reeves county, with the county seat at Clinton, since sub-divided and forming Henry, St. Clair and part of Cedar counties.

During the early years of Windsor there seemed to be no special inducement for building up a town at that point, other than the excellent soil and material advantages of the surrounding country and consequently the growth was very slow, in fact it had no growth. A short time after its location, however, a project was conceived of sub-dividing the counties of Pettis, Henry, Johnson and Benton, taking a corner from each and forming a new county to be known as Meadow, with its county seat at Windsor, and during the winter of 1858 the subject was brought before the Legislature in Jefferson

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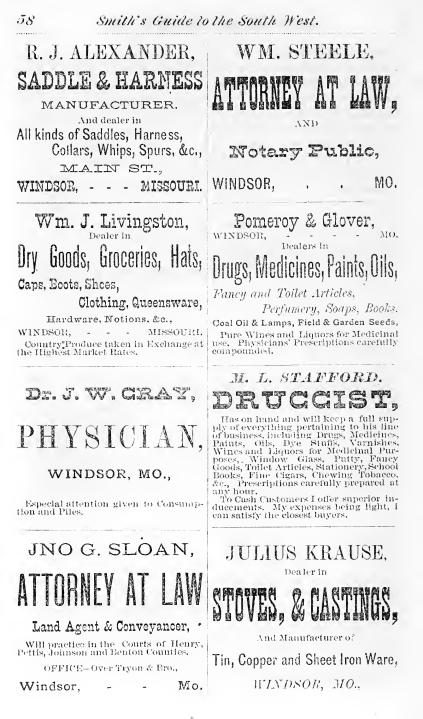
W. J. COLBOW,

Windsor, Mo.



City and was agitated with some hopes of immediate success, but before the adjournment of that body, the project was voted down by three votes, but the indefatigable energy and persistent efforts of the citizens of Windsor has kept the measure continually before the Legislature until it now assumes formidable shape, and grows in favor as time developes the country. Windsor was also the prime mover in the project known as the "Tebo & Neosho Railroad," now the great M. K. & T R. W., and two of her citizens Mr. James M. Gateward and B. F. Williamson, Esq., drew up the charter and wielded a great influence in lobbying it through. In 1858 it was discovered that coal existed in quantities in the vicinity, which fact attracted the attention of a great many people and drew quite a number of settlers in and around Windsor, and in 1860, work in the coal beds was carried on quite extensively, supplying the country for many miles around with coal for fuel and for blacksmithing purposes. With the breaking out of the war an alarming calm settled upon the people and the growth and developement of the country, work in the coal beds was suspended and Windsor appeared to be almost a "dead letter," but after the war, in 1868, a new life seemed to be instilled into the country; the railroad projects were again revived the Meadow county question again came up for agitation and the old times seemed to have again come around; the Tebo & Neosho Railroad was being pushed forward and the country was being rapidly settled up. In May, 1870, the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway having bought out the Tebo & Neosho Railroad, completed it to Windsor in June, which added new life and energy to the place. The town then numbered about two hundred inhabitants. From the time the railroad was completed to this point, building has been going forward rapidly and the increase in population has been remarkable. The present population is estimated at about one thousand with a continuous influx. There are now sixty three firms engaged in the several branches of business, to-wit: Dry Goods, 8; Groceries, 10, (one exclusive and nine mixed with other goods); Boots and Shoes, 1; Stoves and Hardware 5, (three exclusive and two mixed with other goods;) Farming Implements, 3, (mixed with other goods;) Wagon Shops, 3; Drug Stores, 2; Furniture Stores, 1; Flouring Mills, 1; Saw Mills, 1; Livery Stables, 2; Grain and Produce, 1; Shoe Shops, 2; Restaurants, 2; Barbers, 1; Attorneys at Law, 4; Physicians, 4; Painters, 5; Hotels, 1; (the Windsor House, E. D. Hurlbut, Proprietor, is a first class building and is a great ornament to the town, pleasantly located and well kept;) Lumber Yards, 2; Wheat Markets, 1; Millinery Stores, 2; Photograph

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Gallerys, 1; Dentists, 1; one Brick Yark; Blacksmith Shops, 5: Saloons, 1; Newspapers, 1, (the Windsor Courier.) is destined to be very instrumental in attracting emigration;) Stage Office, 1; Telegraph Offices, 1; Railroad Depot a very neat and ornamental building; Coal Office. 1; two Real Estate firms; Church buildings, 4: School Houses, 2; one Odd Fellows Lodge and Masonic Lodge. Of these branches of business some of them are carried on extensively. especially that of Hardware stores, &c., which business is extensively represented by Messrs. Churchill & Case, who have a large and well assorted stock and are brim-full of enterprise. Of churches much could be said. There are seven Congregations, all large and in a healthy growing condition. Messrs. Bowman & Heard do an excellent business in stoves, tinware, &e., and are enterprising gentlemen. The Young Men's Christian Association have a healthy organization here and are wielding a very beneficial influence.

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## CALHOUN, MO.,

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Calhoun was located for a town in 1837, for the convenience of trade by Mr. James Nash and has, since its first location, been a prominent point for a large scope of country; located as it is between the forks of the Tebo Creek, it has an abundance of good timber and in the immediate vicinity is an abundance of Coal, Iron, Lime and Lead. The coal beds are being developed rapidly and are already a great source of income to that section of the country. The other minerals are not developed to any extent and consequently very little is known of their extent, but the quality has been tested and pronounced good.

Calhoun has especial facilities for manufactories, such as excellent coal for fuel, plenty of water and good timber, Oak, Walnut. Hickory, Elm, Ash and Cherry for material to work up. At present the manufacturing interests are very poorly shown by its operating machinery, however an effort is being made to incorporate a Joint-Stock Company and building very extensive works. The movement is a laudable one and promises to be a success.

For building material Calhoun has her timber and immediately joining the village are fine extensive beds of sandstone that is worked to great advantage and will be very valuable in improvement.

Calhoun, like other towns on this line of railroad, has had nothing but her excellent agricultural country to build it up, until the completion of the road to that point in July, 1870, since which time improvement has been going forward and the town keeping pace with the country. In 1860 the population of Calhoun was estimated at about six hundred and no change, except for the worse, occurred until 1870, at which time improvement again began and

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there is now a population of about eight hundred, with five Dry Goods Stores; three Grocery Stores; one Hardware Store; two Drug Stores; one Lumber Yard; one Flouring Mill; one Saw Mill; one Milliner; one Real Estate Agency; two Blacksmith and Wagon Shops; one Artist; one Attorney-at-Law; one Hotel and four Physicians.

The educational facilities of Calhoun are an especial feature and tell volumes for the intellectual standing of her citizens. There is a large Academic institute here which is in a very flourishing condition; with a full corps of efficient teachers and which receives patronage from a large area of Country. This of itself recommends Calhoun to those seeking a place to make a home in the west where their children can be educated up to the times. There are also other public Schools here all good, and great care is taken to keep them so that they will rate with any in the country.

There are also four religious denominations, Presbyterian, Methodist, Baptist and Christian, all flourishing and are supplied with regular pastors.

To the emigrant, Calhoun extends greeting, asking a visit and an investigation. Lands are worth from ten to eighteen dollars per acre for unimproved, and from twenty to thirty dollars per acre for improved according to location and improvement. A brief review of the business of Calhoun will show the classes of trade represented. in Dry Goods and General Merchandise S. P. Harper, J. Wolfe & Bro. and S. Sternberg represent the trade, all having excellent stocks of goods and being live business men. In Groceries &c. John A. Rigg, Jr., Hahn & Bro. and P. W. Bowen represent the trade, carrying stocks and fully meet the demands. The Physicians are Drs. J. W. and J. H. Bronaugh, (to whom we are deeply indebted for , many favors.) The Drug business, represented by the firms W. H. Gutridge and J. E. Finks & Co. This is a very nice branch of trade in Calhoun and these firms keep a full and select stock. In the line of manufacturing, Calhoun has an excellent Flouring mill, manufacturing excellent brands of flour, under the proprietorship of Messrs Ross & Guynn ; the Wagon and Carriage making by two enterprising firms, Overshiner & Parks and Clark & Elliot, both firms also manufacture an excellent quality of Plows; D. H. Pigg & Co, carry an extensive stock of Lumber, and Wm. Morris, Photographer, represents that branch of business in Calhoun. All the business firms are full of enterprise and will do everything that may prove of benefit to the public.

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### CLINTON, MO.,

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Henry County was formed out of the territory originally known as Rives county, in the year 1834. Clinton was then the county seat of Rives, and has, since the organization of Henry, been the seat of government for that county. The first settlement in Clinton was in the year 1836 and Messrs B. F. and T. B. Wallace started the first store.

During the years between this date and 1860, there seemed to be no great inducement for peopls to settle up the country in and about Clinton, except the very excellent natural advantages of the country from her soil, mineral, and location. Situated as it is, convenient to water, Grand River flowing within two miles of the City on the south, Big Creek five miles west and Town Creek very near the city. These creeks are skirted with an abundance of timber, Hickory, Ash, Oak, Elm, Cherry &c., of an exclient quality

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for manufacturing purposes, while in the immediate vicinity of the city abounds inexhaustible quanties of a very superior quality of coal, which renders Clinton as well adapted to manufacturing purposes as any city in the vast west.

Clinton is surrounded for many miles in every direction by an excellent farming country, rolling prairie interspersed with timber and well watered. The soil at the south of the city is a rich dark sandy loam very productive for corn and root crops, on the north is black lime-stone well adapted to all small grains, fruits, grapes, hemp &c.

The Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway was completed to this city in July 1870, which road has rendered material aid in pushing forward improvements of all kinds. There are also several roads projected, to wit: The Clinton and Memphis Branch of the Tebo and Neosho R. R. upon which the gradation and masonry is completed fifteen miles from Clinton, south, also the Clinton and Kansas City branch of the Tebo and Neosho railroad now under process of construction, which when completed will make Clinton a very desirable railroad centre.

In 1860, at the breaking out of the late war Clinton claimed about five hundred inhabitants and for several years, until 1866, there was little or no improvement, and very little increase in population. But since that time the improvements have been rapid and permanent. Few cities in the West can boast of a better class of buildings than we have here in Clinton, and every day matures new projects and plans which grow into formidable business houses or ornamental residences. Our growth continues to be rapid and we are now a city of three thousand inhabitants with one hundred and forty one firms doing business. Seven churches already erected and two contemplated, one high school building in which is conducted a first class graded school, and six good select schools. Two newspapers, the Clinton Advocate, Will. H. Lawrence editor, and Henry County Democrat, W. H. Davis, editor, both large ably edited papers, wide awake to the interests of the country and great levers in the forward march of civilization and improvement.

In the line of manufacturing there are represented, the wool trade by two large woolen mills and the manufacture of wagons by four firms now engaged in the business who also manufacture plows and agricultural Implements.

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# CLINTON STEAM FLOURING MILLS, CLINTON, MISSOURI. J. G. MIDDLECOFF, Pro., MERCHANT MILLER. Wholesale and Retail GROCER. A Large and very Select Stock of

Staple & Fancy Groceries Constantly on Hand, SOLD:LOW FOR CASH, ALSO Manufacture the following well known Brands of Flour: Clinton Mills, Choice, XXX, Which is Favorably known in all South West Missouri. Diamond Mills, XXX, Family; Eagle Mills, XXX. STAR MILLS, X, (EXTRA.)

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#### THE COUNTY BUILDINGS

Consist of a Court House and jail, located in the centre of the very beautiful square in the centre of the city, which the growth of the country has already rendered almost inadequate to the demand.

Clinton is the point of shipments for a large scope of country on either side of the M. K. and T. Ry., and has every facility for travel, having stage routes converging therefrom to Osceola and all points east and southeast and to Warrensburg and points west and southwest.

The citizens of Clinton are a live enterprising people ever ready to put their shoulder to the wheel and roll forward anything that tends to the development of the country or to the general benefit of the people.

Emigrants are especially invited to investigate her advantages and can be assured of every courtesy from the people. The land is good and can be bought, unimproved, for from eight to fifteen dollars per acre, and improved from fifteen to fifty dollars per acre according to the improvements.

In our business review of Clinton we call the attention of our readers to the fact that the different branches of trade are here represented by as large stocks and great facilities as at any point in the country. Among these extensive dealers Fulkerson & Allen Wholesale Druggists, have an extensive stock and a commodious building for handling, are brim full of enterprise and public spirit. J. G. Middlecoff, Wholesale Grocer and proprietor of the Clinton Mills, does an extensive business in both branches, manufacturing excellent brands of Flour, as also does the Tebo Mills, Riehl & Brannum Proprietors, and the Henry County Mills, DeHaven & Jackson proprietors. All are excellent Mills and serve to do much for the benefit of Clinton and surrounding country. The Banking House of Messrs Salmon & Stone is another one of those conveniences to the trade as also a power in pushing forward commercial advantages. These gentlemen are among the oldest citizens of Clinton and commenced the Banking business when Clinton was but an infant. The Clinton Woolen Mills, Highnate & Zener, Proprietors, manufactures all classes of woolen goods and creates a very desirable market for the wool of the country. Yeater & Co. also carry a fine stock of Groceries, and by their fair and liberal dealings have gained innumerable friends.

For Hotels, Clinton has three, all good houses and well kept; the St. Stephens by Pierce Brothers is a first class house and its GEO. Y. SALMON. HARVEY W. SALMON. DEWITT C. STONE.

# SALMON & STONE, EXCHANGE AND BANKING HOUSE, CLINTON, HENRY COUNTY,

MISSOURI.

proprietors genial pleasant landlords : the Allen Honse, by Rob't. Allen is also a fine house and its appointments unexceptional, as also the case with the Elam house by that pleasant and affable landlord Mr. Elam. As a better exhibit of the business of Clinton our readers are referred to the following

#### BUSINESS DIRECTORY.

- ALLEN, ROBERT, Proprietor Allen House, Franklin Street.
- ALLISON & PIPER, Dry Goods, South Side Public Square.
- Boone, B. G.. Attorney at Law, South Side Public Square.
- BELCHER E. H., Stage Line to all points, Office at St. Stephens Hotel.
- BOLINOER, W. W., Jeweler &c., South Side Public Square.
- Bartlett & Nicholas, Agricultural Implements, East side Publi Square.
- Bruse & Webster, Blacksmithing, East Franklin St.
- BYLER, M. M., Real Estate Dealer, North Side Square, 2nd floor.
- Bolinger & Reeves, General Dealers, Main St.
- COREY, A. S., Photographer, North side Public Square, 3d floor.
- Colt & Smith, Dry Goods, Bank Building.
- Coglan, Wm., Tailor, North Main St.
- Doyle & Woolfolk, Groceries and Queensware, North East corner Square.
- DeLaVergne, J. A., Groceries, North side Public Square.
- DeHAVEN & JACKSON, Proprietors Henry County Mills.
- Dorman, J. G., Dry Goods, North side Public Square.
- DeLaVergne & Co., General Dealers, West side Public Square.
- Dimmitt, J. P., M. D. Physician, North East corner Public Square.
- ELLIS, G. S., Justice of the Peace and Insurance Agent, East Franklin St.
- FIKE & PALMER, Real Estate Agents, North Side Square, 2d floor. Foote, Hellner & Co., Hardware, North Side Public Square.
- FULKERSON & ALLEN, Drugs and Medicines, East Side Square. FROWIN, A. P. & Bro., Dry Goods, West Side Public Square.
- FELLOWS & PECK, Groceries, North East corner Public Square.
- FROSHAUG & JONES, Painters &c., West Side Public Square.
- FISK, S., M. D., Physician, Public Square, up stairs.
- Fyke & Farthing, Lawyers, North East corner Square.
- Flagg, J. E., Lawyer, North Side Square.
- GERHARDT, A., Harness maker, West Side Public Square.
- Green, H., Jewelery &c., Main St.

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#### RIEHL & BRANNUM, PRO'S

CLINTON, - - - - MISSOURI,

Manufacture the celebrated

## Tebo Mills Choice XXX,

(Which has proven to be the best Flour manufactured west of St. Louis.)

## Shawnee Mound XXX Family,

## Grand River XX,

#### AND

### Grand River X.

A full stock of all of the above Brands kept constantly on hand.

## THE TRADE SUPPLIED

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- HOUX, J. O., Dentist, North Side Public Square.
- HOUX, I. F., Physician, North Side Public Square.
- Herman & Bihl, Furniture, North Side Public Square.

HIGHNOTE & ZENER, Proprietors of Clinton Woolen Mills.

- HAYSLER & BRO., Harness and Saddlery. North Side Public Square.
- HAYSLER, G. C. & Co., Stoves & Tinware, West Side Public Square.
- Hoppe, Wm., Harness maker West Side Public Square.
- Herkert, F., Boots and Shoes, East Side Public Square.
- Jackson, G. R., Gunsmith, South Side Public Square.
- Jennings & Britts, Physicians, West Side Public Square.
- KEIL, J. W., Watches and Jewelry, Northwest corner Public Square.
- KEMBROUGH, J. S., Hardware &c., South Side Spuare.
- LODWICK, ROBERTS & RANDALL, Restaurant, West Side Square and Bakery North Main Street.
- Ladue & Bro., Attorneys at Law, North Side of Square, 2d floor.
- LAND, B. H., M. D., Physician, North Side Square.
- MILTON, GEO. W. & Bro., Dentists, Northwest corner Public Square, over Keihl's Jewelry Store.
- MIDDDLECOFF, J. G., Wholesale Groeer and Proprietor Clinton Steam Flouring Mill.
- McBETH & PRICE, Attorneys at Law, South Side Public Square. Mason, V. P., Druggist, South Side Public Square.
- Oechsli & McLachlin, Wagon makers and Blacksmiths, East Franklin St.
- PIERCE BRO'S. St. Stephens Hotel, West Side Public Square.
- PICKERILL & BLACKFORD, Attorneys at Law, Collectors &c.
- PARKS, THORNTON & GRANT, Attorneys at Law, North Side Square, 2nd floor.
- REIHL & BRANNUM, Proprietors Tebo Mills.
- Ragland & Sparks, Groceries West Side Public Square.
- Raymuller & Co., Boots and Shoes, West Side Public Square.
- Rogers, I. N. General Dealer North Side Public Square.
- Roberts & Rozier, Boots and Shoes, South Side Public Square.
- SALMON & STONE, Bankers, East Side Public Square.
- SAVAGE, F. E. & Bro., Attorneys at Law, North Side Public Square, over J. G. Middelcoff's Store.
- Shults & Durst, Groceries, etc., North Side Public Square.

J. K. YEATER & CO., Sedalia, Mo.

J. M. WEIDEMEYER. Clinton. Mo.



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# GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS,

## Receiving and Forwarding

### MERCHANTS,

Also Dealers in

Boots, Shoes, Hardware, Queensware, Notions, &c.,

East Side of the Public Square.

CLINTON. - - - MISSOURI.

## ALLEN HOUSE,

EAST FRANKLIN STREET,

CLINTON, - - MISSOURI,

## **ROBERT** ALLEN, Proprietor.

The Public will be glad to know that Mr. Allen has again resumed the proprietorship of this popular Hotel, and will remain. The House is in thorough repair, and is truly a first class House in all its appointments.

no Friends and the Public are invited to call and get the best of the season, Ton

SNYDER & COLLINS, Real Estate Insurance and Collecting Agency.

THORNTON & STONE, Wholesale and Retail Druggists, West Side Public Square.

WILSON, CHAS. W., Lawyer, West Side Public Square.

WINZENBERG, A. W., Tobaeco and Cigars, North Side Public Square.

Wilson, John, M. D., Physician, Northeast corner Public Square.

YEATER & CO., Groceries and Commission, East Side Public Square.

Zener & Bro., Drugs &c, North Side Public Square.

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[The above represents a great majority of the business firms, yet there are a great many omitted as is always the case in attempting to condense the business of any city; however, we crave the pardon of those who are not included in the list.]

Pickerill & Blackford,

Clinton, Mo.

Members of United States Land Association and Collection Union.

R. C. McBETH,

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S. E. PRICE.

## McBeth & Price, Attoroneys at Law,

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# Physician & Surgeon

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HAYSLER & BRO.,

Manufacturers and Dealers in

## SADDLES, HARNESS

#### BRIDLES, WHIPS,

And all kinds of Saddlery Hardware,

Clinton.

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E. W. SNYDER, Justice of the Peace, and Notary Public.

T. W. COLLINS, Gen'l Insurance Ag't

Snyder & Collins, Real Estate, Gen'l Insurance, And Collecting Agents, *CLINZON*,

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Express, for goods only run in connection. OFFICE-At St. Stephens Hotel,

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Manufacture the well Known HENRY CO. MILLS XXX FAMILY FLOUR,

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Market Price paid for Wheat and Corn.

## Liberal Exchanges Made At Water Mill Rates.

The trade promptly supplied with Flour and Meal, per order, on very reasonable terms.

DE HAVEN & JACKSON, PROS.,

Clinton,

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Missouri.

W. H. CHAMBERLAIN & CO.,

DEALERS IN

# AGRICULTURAL

## IMPLEMENTS,

Field and Carden Seeds,

Hardware, Queensware,

Groceries, Provisions, &c.,

MONTROSE, - - MO.

## Celebrated Peru City Plows, THE BEST IN USE.

Buckeye, Kirby, and Dodge Reapers and Mowers,

The Peru City Walking Cultivators and Skinner's Riding Cultivators,

## Pitt's Threshing Machines

AND A

General Line of Farm Implements, Heavy and Shelf Hardware, Table and Pocket Cutlery, Hoes, Forks, Spades, Shovels, Nails, Glass, Putty,

Coal Oil and Lamps,

And in fact everything necessary to supply City and Country. Customers can depend upon getting the best goods for the least money. Remember the place,

Corner Missouri Avenue and Fifth street,

Montrose,

Missouri.

#### MONTROSE, MO.

Though not yet one year old, is one of the live towns of the south-west, and is a town at present from necessity and not from any accident or freak of fortune, having been located by the Railroad Company for convenience for business, first located in September, 1870.

Montrose is situated in Henry County, Mo., on the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway, fourteen miles south-west of Clinton, the county seat of Henry County, and eighteen miles due east from Butler, county seat of Bates County; fifty-four miles from Sedalia; fifty-six miles from Fort Scott, Kansas, and two hundred and fortythree miles from St. Louis. The country around Montrose is very productive prairie with a rich black loam well watered by the waters of Bear Creek only one mile and Deep Water three miles from the town.

Immediately in the vicinity of Montrose is an abundance of timber for all purposes, building, &c., and rich beds of superior bituminous eoal, also large beds of the best of sandstone, acknowledged to be the best of building rock, both for durability and ornament.

## J. E. TURBIVILLE,

Manufacturer of and Wholesale and Retail Dealer in

STOVES, TIN AND HARDWARE,

Table and Pocket Cutlery, Nails, Class, Putty, Carpenters' Tools, Butts, Screws, Axes, Saws, Spades, Shovels,

And a general line of

## Shelf & Heavy Hardware

#### MONTROSE, MISSOURI.

Guttering and Tin Roofing put on on short notice and Warranted.

## STAR HOTEL

#### AND

## LIVERY STABLE,

E. TAYLOR, - PROPRIETOR.

Southwest of Depot,

#### MONTROSE, MISSOURI.

Trains stop for Breakfast, Dinner and Supper. Stages leave this House daily for Butler and other points.

When it is considered that less than one year ago, this thriving village was unknown and the land now occupied for business houses of all branches, was wild unknown prairie, it is indeed remarkable. From the first survey of the town, attention was attracted to Montrose as a future business point of no mean importance, this supposition of course was based upon the productiveness and natural advantages of the country, until now we find three General Stores; three Hardware Stores; one Drug Store; four Grocery Stores; one Furniture Store; two Hotels: two Livery Stables; one Real Estate Agency; one Saddle and Harness Shop; one Shoe Shop; two Wagon and Blacksmith Shops; two Physicians; two Lawyers; good schools, churches, &c., &c. Land in the vicinity of Montrose is selling at from eight to twelve dollars per acre, for unimproved and from fifteen to forty dollars per acre for improved farms according to amount and quality of improvements.

The population of this thriving village is about five hundred, all full of enterprise and ever ready to greet the emigrant, to whom they offer special inducements.

There is an excellent Flouring Mill in course of construction which will be completed in time for the coming crops, and will lend material aid to the citizens for many miles around.

Wells are easily procured here as water can be had in most any locality at a depth of fifteen feet. which, when secured is clear spring water.

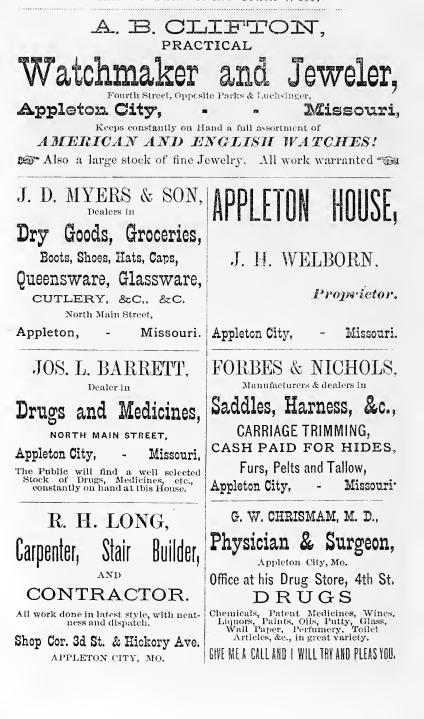
There are two churches in course of construction, Presbyterian and Cumberland Presbyterian denominations. One church is already built and occupied by the Baptists. These several church bodies are in a growing condition, and ere long every denomination of christians will be represented by commodious churches.

The educational facilities of Montrose are well up to the age of the village, and a large school building will be completed the coming season. Being not yet one year old, it cannot be expected that the rapid growth has been of the most permanent nature, but it has been substantial, the buildings are neat frames and have an air of tidiness that speaks the thrift of the people. The streets are laid off at right angles and every effort made to retain good order in building and improving.

The two Hotels, the Star Hotel by E. Taylor, is a very large commodious building and is kept by an experienced and affable gentleman; the Montrose House by T. May, is also a good home-



are near the Railroad Depot and convenient to the business of the village. W. H. Chamberlain & Co., are the most extensive dealers in Agricultural Implements, Hardware, &c., their building is well located and Messrs C. & Co. are full of enterprise. T. E. Turbiville, Esq., earies the most extensive stock of Stoves, Tinware, &c. in town, and does an extensive business, having many friends and careful to keep goods to meet the demands. In the manufacture of wagons, &c., Leonard, Thornton & Briggs have the most extensive facilities in the country and defy competition in quality and price of work. Canan & Myers are extensive Broom Manufacturers, the quality of their products creating a demand and meeting a ready sale. Other branches of manufactory could be very successfully carried on in Montrose, as all necessary material can be had in the immediate vicinity at very little cost. Every inducement is offered to manufacturers.



#### APPLETON CITY, MO.

Is located in St. Clair County, on the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway, fifty-nine miles south-west of Sedalia, Mo.; fiftyone miles north-east of Fort Scott, Kansas; twenty-four miles from Osceola, the county seat of St. Clair county; eighteen miles from Butler, county seat of Bates county; twenty miles from Clinton, county seat of Henry county and twenty-four miles from Nevada, the county seat of Vernon county. This lively village was located and surveyed about the middle of October, 1870, and the first house began at once. The town derived its name from the extensive publishing house of Appleton & Co., New York, who made liberal donations for a public library and for school purposes. This liberal donation has been of great benefit to the town and its valuable influences are being felt every day.

The first sale of lots in Appleton, was at auction, and took place in November, 1870, at which a great number of lots were sold, mostly to parties who are now residing here, having purchasand improved the property with the avowed purpose of making this their homes. Very few lots fell into the hands of speculators and consequently, the improvement has been uniform in all parts of the town. There is no point in the country where the improvement is of a better class than in Appleton. The business is at present confined mostly to Fourth street, which is a large Avenue one hundred feet wide, but is rapidly branching out in opposite directions each side of this street, and ere many months will extend to parts of the town now remote from business.

Appleton is situated on a high level prairie over looking a vast scope of beautiful picturesque country abounding in all natural inducements for all agricultural pursuits. The country around Appleton is rich prairie, productive of all crops and fruits, well watered and with sufficient timber for all purposes; extensive beds of coal are known to exist and a vein of over four feet is



being worked very near the town. The country is quite thickly settled, yet there is considerable land lying open ready to receive the improvement of the husbandman. This land is held at very reasonable prices, and every inducement is offered to persons seeking homes to come, buy and occupy these lands.

When we take into consideration the age of this thriving city, none can deny that its growth is marvelous, being but a little over one-half a year old, and containing over one thousand inhabitants and thirty-nine firms doing business. Of these branches, A. B. Clifton, Esg., earries an excellent stock of Watches and Jewelry, and is alive to every want of the community. The two Hotels, the Appleton House by J. H. Welborn, and the Franklin House by John W. Franklin, are both excellent houses well kept and are of themselves an inducement for strangers to stop and enjoy their hospitality; A. Farnham & Co., proprietors of the only Livery and Feed Stable in the city are very liberal enterprising gentlemen, who, while they have a monopoly of the business, do not avail themselves of its advantages, but deal liberally with all. These are only a few of the live business men of Appleton, but our space is too limited to admit a further notice. Every branch of trade and profession is ably represented by live, energetic men, who will be found alive to the country's best interests, the names of whom will be found upon the pages opposite this sketch. One church is now completed (the M. E.,) and a fine building is being erected by the Presbyterian denomination. Of her educational facilities, her citizens are especially proud, as they have spared nothing to promote that great and desirable inducement to settlers and those seeking a place where their children can avail themselves of good schools, &e. A fine Flouring Mill is being constructed to cost about \$20,000.00, which will be completed in time for the incoming crop, and will be a great benefit to the city and an accommodation to the farming community. One newspaper, the Appleton City Times, a Real Estate paper (monthly) is published here and a weekly paper is in contemplation, which will wield the usual influence in showing the country to new-comers.

About twelve miles south-east of Appleton City, are located the celebrated Monegaw Springs, which are rapidly growing into notoriety for medicinal purposes, as also for a favorable summer resort for pleasure seekers. Appleton is the point on the M. K. & T. Railway, where parties transfer for this resort and a lively trade is carried on with visitors.

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Rockville, Mo.

This is a new House, newly fitted and furnished, and will be be found a pleasant place to stop. The table is always supplied with the best the market affords.

#### J. W. EMISON, Proprietor.

DR. H. R. FIELD,

ROCKVILLE,

MISSOURI.

EAGLE HOUSE,

Main Street,

Rockville, Missouri,

H. H. LEWIS, Pro.

One Square from the Depot.

Table supplied with all delicacies of the season. Charges reasonable.

#### ROCKVILLE, MO,.

Is located one and one-half miles north of the Osage River, on the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway; 67 miles south-west from Sedalia; 44 miles north-east from Fort Scott and 256 miles from St. Louis.

Rockville was surveyed in September, 1870, and the M. K. & T. Railway depot was the first building erected (November); the first business house was completed in December of the same year. This beautiful village is surrounded by a beautiful farming country upon all sides with plenty of timber within convenient distance of the town; abundantly watered, being conviently located to the Osage River, Campbell's Branch and Panther Creek. There is an abundance of excellent bituminous coal, within a half mile of the town, and also a superior quarry of building stone.

There is a project now on foot to organize a new county, which if successful, will place Rockville in the geographical centre of the county and will secure to it the seat of government for the county. The town is now twenty-two miles from the nearest county seat. The town is incorporated for school purposes and a large school building will be erected this season, (1871) to cost about \$12,000.

Land in the vicinity, from four to six miles from town, is worth from ten to fifteen dollars per acre and is as good as ever existed for the production of all kinds of grain and fruits, and also, from location, admirably adapted to stock raising. The facilities for manufactories are very superior here, having wood, coal and water in abundance for all purposes.

The present population of Rockville, from actual count is one hundred and fifty-two and is increasing rapidly in town and country. There are quite a number of business firms here, to-wit: Four General Stores; one Drug Store; one Harness and Saddle Store; three Hotels; one Livery Stable; one Jewelry Store; one Lumber Yard; one Stove and Tin Store; one Life Insurance Agent; three Real Estate Agents; two' Physicians; one Lawyer; one Saw Mill, and one Blacksmith Shop. There will be a Flouring Mill erected this summer at a cost of \$15,000, which will add materially to the town and will be a great convenience to the country.

The Methodist, Baptists and Christians have each an organization here, and each have fair congregations. The citizens in and about Rockville invite emigration and will render to the new-comers any facility for comfort and happinness that can be required from any community.

W. W, PREWIT.

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## PREWIT & POINDEXTER, southwest missouri REAL ESTATE AG'CV

#### NEVADA CITY, MO.,

Have complete

ABSTRACTS OF TITLE

To all

Real Estate in Vernon Co.

## Will buy and sell Lands, pay Taxes, and Investigate Titles.

Publishers of

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A Real Estate paper for gratuitous distribution.

#### W. A. POINDEXTER, Notary Public and Conveyancer,

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Parties making investments in Real Estate in this county, may find it to their advantage to give us a call before purchasing, and see that the land in which they propose to invest is free from all incumbrances.

Abstracts furnished gratis to all parties purchasing from us.

#### REFERENCES:

CHAPPELL & MILLER	Bankers, Jefferson City, Mo.
Col. L. V. BOGY	St. Louis, Mo.
JAMES H. KERR	
R. T. PREWIT	
JAMES O. SWINNEY	
CHARLES B. SINGLETON	New Orleans, La.
THORNTON, SALMON & CO	Nevada, Mo.

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#### NEVADA CITY, MO..

Is situated in Vernon County, ninety miles southwest of Sedalia, twenty miles east of Fort Scott and two hundred and eighty one miles from St. Louis. The country was originally in Bates county, sub-divided in 1855, forming the present Vernon county.

Nevada is the county seat of Vernon; was located in 1856 by Thomas St. Austin, County Seat Commissioner; is on the line of the great thoroughfare, the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway, which road was completed to Nevada in 1870 and has been a very great feeder to the town since its completion. There is also a contemplated railroad to be called the Nevada and Fort Smith branch of the M. K. & T. Ry. to run from Nevada direct south to Fort Smith in Arkansas, one hundred and eighty five miles, and there is no doubt that the road will be speedily built. Located as it is Nevada offers superior advantages for agricultural and manufacturing pursuits, being very conveniently located on Birch Branch. Little Dry Wood and Marmiton rivers, and having an abundance of the best of timber for all purposes and good coal for fuel also convenient which can be mined at little cost. There are strong indications of petroleum in the vicinity. An extensive quarry of

## GEO. S. ADRIAN,

Wholesale and Retail dealer in

# DRUGS, PAINTS, OILS,

## Window Class,

VARNISHES,

## WHITE LEAD, &c.,

NEVADA CITY,

- MISSOURI.

## CONRAD & CO.

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Our Flour is second to none in quality. The trade supplied per order. Highest market price paid for Wheat and Corn delivered at our Mills

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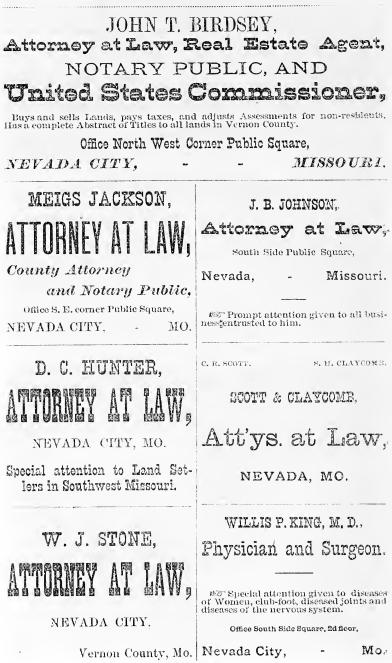
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dark colored marble has been discovered in the western part of the county, which promises to become a great source of income to the possessors; this marble is susceptible of high finish and can be manufactured into many kinds of ornaments.

The country in and around Nevada is undulating and beautiful, the soil a rich sandy loam well adapted to all kinds of grain, fruit and roots.

The early days of Nevada were not marked by any remarkable growth, and only settled up as the growth of the country demanded, and in 1860 the population was estimated at (200) two hundred. During the late war the town was almost entirely destroyed and remained a point of no especial moment until 1867 when it again began to grow and now contains a population of 1500 with a continuous healthy growth.

The firms engaged in the several branches of trade are as follows: 1 Bank; 6 General Stores; 2 Hardware Stores; 1 Boot and Shoe Store; 3 Clothing Stores; 6 Groceries; 3 Jewelers; 2 Bakeries; 3 Restaurants; 2 Livery and Feed Stables; 3 Shoe Shops; 20 Lawyers; 10 Physicians; 2 Dentists; 4 Carriage and Blacksmith Shops; 1 Gun Shop; 2 Lumber Yards; 1 Flouring Mill; (the Nevada City Mills, erected in 1870, at a cost of over \$18,000,00, is propelled by steam, 50 horse power engine, and has a capacity of over 125 barrels per day. The proprietors, Messrs. Conrad & Co., are enterprising, energetic gentlemen who have done much to build up the town and country). Land Agencies, (one conducted by Messrs. Prewitt and Poindexter, who publish the Southwestern Home, the only Real Estate paper in the city. These gentlemen have a complete abstract of titles, fine commodious office, and keep a carriage for the accommodation of their customers for free use in looking at lands &c. Major Prewitt is a practical surveyor and Mr. Poindexter a Notary Public, thereby rendering all facilities for locating and transferring lands within themselves). John F. Birdsey handles a large amount of Real Estate giving every inducement and is a practical attorney, therefore well versed in land titles and has also a complete abstract of titles. Drug Stores ; (one by Goo. S. Adrian is a very extensive house, having as fine a stock as can be found in the southwest, whose proprietor is one of those live men never behind the times in anything). One weekly newspaper, (the Nevada City Times published by Mr. R. J. Alexander. This is one of the best papers in Missouri for general news and select reading, and has an extensive circulation). One Harness Shop; two Photographers; one Furniture Store; four Hotels, (the



Nevada House by John Dermott, and the Stevenson House by Messrs. S. & A. Bateman. Both of these houses are a credit to the city and are of themselves a great inducement for travelers to stop over.

There are two church buildings completed, Southern Methodist and Protestant Episcopal. The Baptists and Disciples are about to erect church buildings. There is also a substantial Court House 50 by 60 feet, two stories high, and a contract has been let for building a good substantial jail. One school building sufficient to accommodate a large school and a new school building contemplated to cost about \$10,000.

#### MASONIC.

This fraternal Brotherhood are in a flourishing condition, are represented by :

OSAGE LODGE No. 303; regular communications Friday evenings preceeding each full moon.

NEVADA R. A. CHAPTER, regular convocations second Monday in each month.

O'SULLIVAN COMMANDERY, No. 15; Regular Assemblies first and third Wednesdays in each month. Have a good commodious hall and are in a very flourishing condition.

#### ODD FELLOWS.

This fraternity is also in a growing condition and are represented by one Lodge and one Encampment, to wit:

NEVADA LODGE No. 194; regular meetings every Saturday evening.

VERNON ENCAMPMENT, No. 52; meet on first and third Tuesday evenings of each month.

In the way of general improvement, few places can show more permanent improvement than Nevada, and her citizens extend a cordial invitation to those seeking homes, guaranteeing every facility and offering every inducement.

Land in the vicinity of Nevada ranges in price from six to twelve dollars per acre for unimproved and from fifteen to twenty five dollars per acre for improved farms, according to amount and class of improvements.

#### RAILROAD FACILITIES.

In addition to the routes already mentioned (the M. K. & T. & Fort Smith extension) is the La Clede and Fort Scott railroad of which over twenty miles is graded and the Lexington. Lake and



A Livery Stable in Connection with this House, J. MALTBY, Pro. Gulf, which is destined to become one of the leading roads and which is being rapidly located.

Stages run in all directions principally by State roads and post routes.

In these days of colonization this enterprising city has taken steps to secure its proportion through her valuable Real Estate dealers. The attention of those colonization bodies is called to the fact that land in bodies of 5000 acres can be secured at a very reasonable price in Vernon county which gives in addition to the usual cheap rates for lands the great inducement of settling in an old settled country with railroad and established State road facilities, established markets and in a section of country where every natural advantage will be found. Coal and other minerals extensively, and timber, water and fertile prairie all harmoniously mingled to make this the garden spot of the southwest.

The citizens of Nevada extend a general invitation to persons contemplating coming west, and will use every effort to induce settlement in and around the city. This is just what new comers want, a live energetic people and a fine country where all educational, religious and other facilities are already established.

By reference to the map in the back of this book the location of Nevada will be tound unsurpassed by any point in the southwest.

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#### DEERFIELD, MO.,

Is situated in Vernon, County, near the line between Missouri and Kansas, on the line of the M., K. & T. R. R., eleven miles from Fort Scott, nine miles from Nevada City, and ninety-nine and one-half miles from Sedalia. The vicinity of Deerfield was first settled in 1838, by Abraham Redfield; it has a central location and an excellent farming country surrounding.

On the 1st of June, 1870, the town was located and surveyed by Judge David Redfield. since which time no especial effort has been made to bring it into notoriety and consequently improvement has been slow, but when it becomes better known and its surroundings well considered there is no doubt that it will go rapidly forward.

Deerfield is located convenient to water and timber. Coal abounds in inexhaustible quantities and an excellent quality of potters' elay is found in abundance. An extensive pottery is carried on here under the proprietorship of Messrs. Redfield & Zeigler, The ware is of a superior quality and finds ready sale in all parts of the country. Only one store and Post Office are now in operation. The proprietor of the town offers great inducements to persons to settle in Deerfield; cheap lots and every facility possible.

The country around the town is beautiful rolling prairie and timber and land is selling for from \$7 to \$15 per acre for unimproved and from \$15 to \$30 for improved farms. 102

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I have for sale a large amount of choice residence lots, nicely located, containing from one-half an acre to one acre each; also some lots from three to five acres each, with a large amount of

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Which will be sold as cheap as can be sold elsewhere in the eity.

My list of lands embraces all qualities from the best to the poorest, so that no one need have cause to go away because they cannot find lands to suit them.

## Examine my List of Property for Sale,

And for any further information call on or write me at my office.

As my list does not contain all the property I have for sale, and should you not see anything on it to suit you, do not take it for granted that I cannot suit you,

### Come and see for Yourselves,

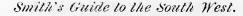
For I am daily making additions to my list of property.

REFERENCE-Any business man in the city.

#### FORT SCOTT, KANSAS.

This lively city, now the commercial point for the Southwest, is located in Bourbon County, Kansas, five miles west of the Missouri State line. This point was first occupied in 1842 by United States troops, whom it became necessary to establish on the frontier at that time to protect the citizens of Missouri. The officer entrusted with the establishing of this Military Post, saw at a glance the advantages of locating here for convenience to all necessities of a Fort, and what is true of a Fort is also true of a eity, for the necessities of one are the necessities of the other. Thus it happens that the same advantages that lead to the location of Fort Scott as a Military post a few years later lead to the establishment and organization of a city that has grown with great rapidty and that ere many years will hold the great Southwest tributary to her in a commercial point of view.

The Government built good substantial buildings here in 1842-3 and sustained the locality as a Military Post for nearly twenty years, the lands in and adjacent not being opened to settlement. In 1860, the town of Fort Scott was organized and the lands surveyed by Hon. Geo. A. Crawford, Col. Wilson and others, they having purchased the lands at government price. About the time of the establishment of the city, the war between the States was inaugurated and, like all other points, Fort Scott was nearly at a standstill, but again it was found necessary to establish a Military supply point on the border and this city was a second time selected as the most available point in the country. During the first year of its establishment, however, the town grew to contain about 1,800 inhabitants. Located as it is, on the Marmeton and amidst a number of small streams and surrounded by a beautiful rich and picturesque country, this city has all attractions for the numerous branches of Manufactories. The country around the city is beautiful rolling prairie, interspersed with timber along the numerous streams of good quality, and of sufficient extent for all present purposes. For fencing in this vicinity stone and Osage Orange are principally used, the later making a good servicable fence in the short space of three years. Of the mineral surroundings a great deal could be said, as there are indications of most of the minerals and coal is already mined extensively and is of a superior quality. Of this product, there are two qualities of Bituminous. one a gloss black, the other a rusty dingy color, both are free from sulphurous matter and are of excellent quality for all pur-



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FORT SCOTT,

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poses. Some fine marble exists in this locality, which can be employed advantageously in building, &c. Also, inexhaustible quantities of Hydraulic Cement and Mineral, Paints, Umbers, Yellow Ochres, Spanish Brown, India Red, from which are Manufactured all kinds of Fire-Proof and Iron-Clad Paints. These Paints and Cement are mined and managed by the "Fort Scott Paint and Cement Works" and are being very extensively employed for the many purposes to which they are adapted. This is an especial feature of Fort Scott, and will eventually, wield a great influence in the growth and importance of the city.

In fact, the products of this section of country are so numerous that our limited space will not permit us to enter into details further. All crops yield bountifully and are produced with little labor and expense compared to the raising of the same crops in the Eastern States. Fruit and Grapes also yield bountifully, and mature very rapidly. Stock is also raised and prepared for market at light expense, the Winters being short and usually dry. Stock requires feeding but a short time to get through the Winter, in fact, the climate, soil, and general character of the country, are all well adapted to its central locality. For health, its location is a sufficient guarantee; the country being rolling, there are no stagnant pools, but everything is fresh and the waters in the vicinity are in rapid motion.

The great Neosho Valley lies tributary to Fort Scott, as also does the vast country to the West and South. There is probably no place in the West that in point of location and natural advantages will compare with this immediate locality.

The growth and development of a city can be best and most accurately established by the number and quality of its business houses, and the numerous branches represented in this way we desire to present the established growth of Fort Scott. There are several extensive Real Estate Agencies, foremost among which is that of J. S. Emmert, No. 10, Wall Street. Mr. Emmert is a live. energetic gentleman, with whom it is a pleasure to deal and has a fine list of choice land and lots which he offers at the most liberal rates. This Agency was one of the first established in the city, being started in 1863. Another great feature in Fort Scott is her Newspapers, of which there are two—the Monitor, Daily and Weekly, by the "Monitor Publishing Company." [This is the most extensive Newspaper Establishment in Southern Kansas, the paper a live, ably edited sheet, alive to the conntry's interests, and politically Republican.] And The Fort Scott Democrat, by Solon



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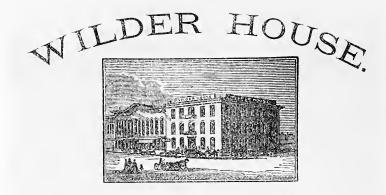
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S. Goode, [a live Weekly Democratic paper, also devoted to the growth of the city and country.] Attached to the *Daily Monitor* Office are free public Reading-Rooms, which are supplied with the latest papers from all over the world, and which have come to be a great resort for new-comers. There is also an organized Board of Trade here, which holds its regular meetings and discusses all matters of public interest. The Masons, Odd Fellows and Good Templars, are well and largely represented here, each having good Halls and all in a flourishing condition.

The Manufacturing interests of Fort Scott are well represented when the age of the city is considered. In this connection we will mention the "Paint & Cement Works," previously spoken of in this sketch : [a joint Stock Company, representing a capital of \$100,000; B. F. Hepler, President; C. F. Drake, Treasurer, and A. H. Bourne, Superintendent] One Foundry and Machine Shop; The Fort Scott Coal & Mining Company. [A joint Stock Company representing \$200,000.] This Company owns 1500 acres of land and employs 160 men. The Company was organized in July, 1870, since which time over one million bushels of Coal have passed through their works, this coal is shipped to all parts of the country, quite a quantity of it finding market in Council Bluffs, Iowa, and Omaha, Nebraska; one Planing Mill; two excellent Flouring Mills, one with five runs of Stone and a capacity of 250 barrels per day, owned and operated by Deland & Bacon; one Woolen Factory in course of erection [to replace one that was burned about a year ago] owned by joint Stock Company; one Wool Carding Machine establishment with two sets of machinery. Gas works are being erected to light the city, and a company has just organized to erect a Grain Elevator with a capacity of 50,000 bushels. All of these improvements tend greatly to the public good and are great feeders to town and country. Of the other branches of business there are 257 firms engaged in the different branches including professions. Four Hotels are liberally patronized here, two of which are very extensive buildings. The Wilder House, Messrs. Palmer, Parmelee & Dimon, Proprietors, located corner of Wall & Main Streets, is one of the finest Hotels in the country and affords every convenience to its guests; the Gulf House is also a commodious building, Joseph Guenin, Proprietor, on Wall Street west of Missouri River, Ft. Scott & Gulf Railroad Depot; this House is well furnished and pleasantly located.

Fort Scott promises to become one of the greatest Railroad Cities in the Southwest, having now completed the Missouri. 108



### FORT SCOTT, KA'S.

### PALMER, PARMELEE & DIMON, PROS.

Railroad, Ticket, and Stage Office in the House.

MARMATON, KAN.

A station on the M. K. & T. Railway, seven miles southwest of Fort Scott and thirteen miles northeast of Hepler, This town was located the present year in a very pretty country and will ere long become a very nice business point. Land in the vicinity is worth from \$5 to \$12 per aere.

#### WALNUT, KAN.,

Is located on Walnut Creek, on the M. K. & T. Railway, twenty seven miles Southwest of Fort Scott, in Crawford county. There is a very tidy depot building here and a good location for a thriving town. Good timber and water in abundance and an excellent farming country. Land is worth from five to fifteen dollars per acre in the vicinity. Kansas & Texas Railroad from Sedalia, 110 miles Northeast, to Fort Gibson, 160 miles South; the Missouri River, Fort Scott and Gulf Railroad, from Kansas City, 100 miles North, to the great Southern country already making a vast scope of country tributary to the city. The Laclede & Fort Scott Railroad is being built rapidly, fifty miles being already graded. The Fort Scott and Memphis (Tenn.) Railroad is contemplated and assumes a form of certainty, and other roads are being strongly urged, many of which will be put under construction at at early day.

#### HER SCHOOL FACILITIES

are equal, if not superior, to any city of her size in the Southwest, having a massive and ornamental building three stories high with furnished basement; contains twelve rooms 23x30 feet each, capable of scating fifty scholars in each room. The building is heated with a furnace. Its cost was about \$60,000. There are five schools in operation for white children and one for colored. Thetotal number of children of school ages is about 1400.

#### MISCELLANEOUS.

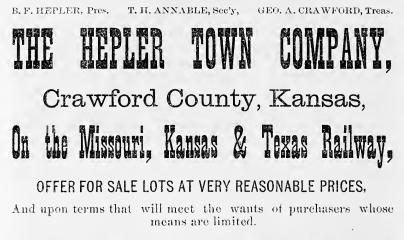
Fort Scott has now a population of about 6000, with a continuous rapid increase and has more public enterprise than anycity in the Southwest. The citizens of Ft. Scott stand ready to help anything and everything that will contribute to the public good, are quick to act and acting ready to perform. Their Board of Trade is composed of gentlemen who have the welfare of the community at heart and do not hesitate to advocate any measure that will benefit the city or country. The press of the city partakes of the same progressive spirit and scatters the liberal offers of the citixens far and wide. The *Daily Monitor* is one of the institutions of the city, edited by that able exponent and experienced manager, Hon. Web. Wilder. The *Weekly Democrat*, edited by Solon Goode, is an ably conducted paper and a sound exponent of the people's interests.

The "Fort Scott Water Works" is another great public improvement that is being erected at a great cost, but which, when completed will be a great benefit to the city.

The country surrounding Fort Scott is among the most beautiful in the West, well watered, timbered, &c. Land can be bought within marketable distance for from six to fifteen dollars per acre. for unimproved, from twelve to sixty dollars per acre, for improved farms, according to location and extent of improvements.

To those looking Westward for homes or for a place for safe investment, the citizens of Fort Scott invite an investigation, well knowing the advantages they have in many respects.

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### Hepler, Crawford Co., Kansas.

#### WALKER'S MISSOURI.

This town was located in November, 1870, by a Town Company for convenience to trade and to meet the demands of the surrounding country. Walker's is a station in Vernon county on the M. K. & T. Railway, eighty-three miles from Sedalia and twenty-eight miles from Fort Scott. The tract consists of 240 acres of land, formerly owned by Messrs Hiram F. Walker and W. C. Leslie.

The country surrounding Walker is rolling prairie, studded with timber sufficient for all purposes. Coal exists in immense quantities in the immediate vicinity, and good building rock is convenient. Wells can be procured at an average depth of 20 feet. There are also strong indications of Petroleum on the town site Good schools are in operation and the several branches of trade are represented. Land in the vicinity is worth from seven to fifteen dollars per acre.

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### HEPLER, KANSAS.,

Is located in Crawford County, on the Missouri. Kansas & Texas Railway, twenty miles southwest of Fort Scott and fifteen northeast of Osage Mission, near the head of Walnut and Pawnee creeks in the midst of a beautiful and productive country. The scenery around Hepler is picturesque and beautiful, the country abounding in high mounds and traversedby numerous streams. all of which are skirted by timber of an excellent quality.

The town was located by the M., K. & T. R. R. Co. in the present year (1871). The inducement for locating Hepler was the rich surrounding country and the beautiful location for a town at convenient distance from other points to allow a large growth and build up a good local market. With this view of the premises the present location was selected and its name chosen in honor of Dr. B. F. Hepler, who is the worthy President of the Town Company. The railroad and town companies own 1800 acres of land adjoining the town site, all of which is offered to actual settlers at a very low price.

The country is very rapidly settling up in all directions in and around Hepler and ere long the whole country, tributary to the town, will bave the appearance of an old settled country; a flouring mill would do well here. The soil around Hepler is rich black loam easily tilled and very productive and the country being well supplied with timber, water, coal and the best of building rock, makes it a very desirable locality for those who are seeking locations where they can provide homes in a growing, thriving locality. Good wells of water can be procured at from twelve to twenty feet. Land in the vicinity is worth from \$8 to \$25 per acre according to location.

Hepler already has several business houses in successful operation. There are also two new railroads projected from Hepler, one from Carthage, Mo., and one from Hepler, by the way of New Chicago westward, and bonds voted to both lines by the townships and counties along the routes which almost guarantees their building. The completion of these roads will make Hepler a very desirable business point. Every inducement is offered to actual settlers by both town and R. R. Companies.

#### SCHELL CITY, MO.

Three months ago the site of this beautiful thriving village was wild uncultivated prairie, but the location and advantageous surroundings induced the surveying and laying out of the town.

The location of the town is on the M. K. & T. Railway in Vernon county on the south side of the Osage river and on the south and west branches of Miller's creek; is eighteen miles northeast of Nevada, the county seat, forty five miles from Fort Scott, Kansas, and seventy six miles southwest of Sedalia.

Schell city has the best water facilities of any town in the south west; good site for water power machinery with unlimited capacity.

The Missouri Kansas and Texas railway company has 2500 acres of land here, under fence, and have all arrangements complete to make Schell the general feeding point and recruiting station for all stock shipped over the road. This will render it a very substantial business point. The railroad company has built a side track 2,500 feet long for the accommodation of transfers, &c. There are already several branches of business represented here and building is going forward more rapidly than at any other point in the country.

The country surrounding the village is very beautiful, the immediate vicinity being heavy timber, adjoining which is undulating prairie with rich productive soil, easily tilled and adapted to all products. No location in the country has better manufacturing facilities, having an abundance of timber of the best varieties; plenty of coal and an abundance of good water; there are also good indications of lead, zinc and iron ores, but we have no positive knowledge of their extent. Every inducement is offered to new comers by the enterprising citizens of Schell, and sure when age is considered there is no point in the country that can show a more rapid growth and improvement. Unimproved land in the vicinity is worth from \$8 to \$12 and improved from \$15 to \$25 per acre.

### OSAGE MISSION, KANSAS.

This thriving town is located in Neosho County on the line of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway, one hundred and fortyfive miles Southwest of Sedalia, Mo.; thirty-five miles from Fort Scott, and three hundred and fifty-four miles from St. Louis.

Osage Mission town site occupies 400 acres of land with perfeet title, as patent has issued by the United States Government. The town was surveyed and laid out in the latter part of 1867, and a charter obtained and the town incorporated in the early part of 1869. The county seat was located here by a popular vote of the citizens of Neosho county, and now stands pre-eminent among the Kansas towns south of Fort Scott. The site is a beautiful one, on the east bank of the Neosho River, with Flat Rock on the east, and with a broad rolling prairie, skirted with beautiful heavy timber upon three sides, thus rendering the view from the prominent points in town, picturesque and attractive.

To give a more minute and detailed account of the early history of this locality, we publish *ver batim* a written statement furnished to us by the Rev. Father John Schoemaker, who was the first white man who made a permanent stopping place here. The following is from the pen of Father Schoemaker:

"Messrs. Gerome, Pappin and Edward Chouteau, Indian traders, having lived during many years among the Indian tribes of Great and Little Osages, gained the good will and confidence of the Indians in Southern Kansas, and without sacrifice to their own interests, they remained true friends to those Indians. To

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improve the condition of the tribes they called the Osage Chiefs into council, reminded them of the absence of schools during many years, and with their universal approval drew up a petition for the establishment of male and temale boarding schools. The Hon. Commissioner of Indian afiairs, at Washington, entered into communication with the Superior of the Jesuit Fathers at St. Louis, and having effected a mutual agreement, Rev. John Schoemaker and J. J. Bax, both of St. Louis, accompanied by four Lay brothers, started for their new mission. Reaching Kansas City and Westport, Mo., and having made the necessary outfit, they left civilization in search of the Osages, and after three weeks journey with oxen and horse teams, reached the Neosho Valley, having made made only 140 miles. The few Indians they met piloted them to the trading post, where they saw the first white man, after leaving Kansas City. [Ft. Scott was then a Military post, situated fifteen miles east of the route.] The rumor that the Black Gowns had arrived, brought many Indians around the trading post, and a shaking of hands commenced. The next morning the little caravan, escorted by some Osages, traveled ten miles down the Neosho River, entered their new homes, being two log houses with a stable and smoke-house. These not being finished according to contract, their first missionary trial of exposure to the Kansas winds and rains, explained their future life; however, in the morning the Lay brothers set to work to fit out these houses for better accommodation, while the Fathers entered upon their missionary excursions.

Of the 3300 Osages, who then composed the Osage Nation, all seemed glad and received the missionaries friendly. The children, however, looked wild and ran like deer at the sight of these white men, who came to teach them. Ten days after their arrival, viz :

On the 10th day of May, 1847, the Fathers opened the Indian school and commenced operations with ten pupils. After one year of an active missionary life, the little Indian children flocked around these Fathers wheresoever they visited the Indian towns. always in hopes of little presents. In the same year, the Sisters of Lorette opened a school for the female children. The Guspaw Indians soon learned the good effect of these schools and, by the co-operation of their agent, they were permitted to send a specified number of their children to the same school. In 1860, the number of pupils was 136 male and one hundred female children. The late war put a stop to all the prospects of these Indians, their lately built houses and fields being destroyed, and their hogs and cattle stolen, their hope sank, and on the 29th of September, 1863, they sold and ceded to Government fifty by thirty miles of the east part of their Reservation, (now Neosho and Labette counties) and transferred the north-half, 20 by 275 miles, in trust to Government to be sold for their benefit. In 1870, they also sold the remaining portion of their reservation, the south-half, 30 by 375 miles, all of which country is now thickly settled by the white  $\ast$ \* emigrants \* \* and in 1871, (the present

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year) the remnant of the tribe, 3500 in all, are moving on their new reservation in the Indian Territory. \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \*

These Indian schools were much visited during the war, by officers and soldiers, leaving on all, the impression of a future prosperity. The situation and beauty of the country was communicated to their friends, and when Osage was chartered as an incorporated town it began to draw the emigrants from every State in the Union, and Southern Kansas was settled up with a rapidity that has no precedent. The Osage Manual Labor Schools being at first the central point of settlement it was thought expedient by the conductors of the school to provide in time for the proper education of white children in Southern Kansas, Accordingly, on the 7th day of May, 1870, the male school was chartered under the name and title of "St. Francis Institution," under the Superintendency of Rev. Father Schoemaher as President, with a view of making it a high school for Southern Kansas. In like manner the female school was chartered on the 19th day of September, 1870, under the name and title of "St. Ann's Academy," conducted by the Sisters of Loretto conducted by the Sisters of Loretto. \* \*

\* \* The first care has been to provide them with a new rock house built with cut stone at the front and mixed work at the sides, and being in dimensions, three and a half stories high and 74 by 50 feet on the ground, with 100 acres of land for play yards and gardens, which will be ready for the opening of the term begining in September, 1871. Just north of the St. Ann's Academy will be built a fine church, 63 by 160 feet and adjoining this on the Northeast and Northwest, will be erected the buildings for the high schools." [By reference to the advertising pages opposite this sketch, terms and particulars can be obtained. PUB.]

The establishment of these schools was of course the nucleus around which clustered the advantages for settlement, and consequently, the thriving town of Osage Mission, owes its existence, to-day, to the Rev. Father Schoemaker, and the few pioneers who were instrumental in the efforts to civilize the Indians.

From the time the town was located, it improved rapidly, and its growth and improvement was of a nature that gave it a permanent appearance among Southwestern towns, and but a short time elapsed before it gained a prominence and became known abroad, attracting the attention of the emigrants who rapidly settled up town and country. The Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway was completed to Osage Mission in 1870, and gave the town additional advocates, which were duly appreciated, as is attested by the extraordinary growth of the city. In the early part of 1870, the population of Osage Mission was estimated at about 900, the present population will not fall short of 1500. There are about sixty five individuals and firms engaged in the different branches of

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Osage Mission, Kansas.

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The Educational facilities of Osage Mission are superior to any point in the West of its size. There are established here, "St, Ann's Academy," for the education of females only, under the auspices of the Sisters of Loretto; "St. Francis Institute," for the education of males, which Institute is destined to become *the* High School of Southern Kansas. This Institute is under the immediate supervision of Rev. Father John Schoemaker, and one substantial public school building capable of accommodating 125 pupils. There are four church organizations, Baptist, Methodist, Protestant, Episcopal and Catholic. The Catholics and Baptists have each church buildings and the Methodists contemplate building this season.

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KANSAS.

The Masons and Odd Fellows have each an organization, are both in a flourishing condition and each have a large well furnished Hall.

The country around Osage Mission is beautiful and productive, the land is rolling prairie, the soil a rich black loam. Timber is abundant for all purposes; plenty of water and the best facilities for manufacturing of any point in the Southwest. There are already several mills (Saw and Grist) in operation, but other branches are not properly represented.

The Neosho River is spanned by two bridges, one South and one West of the town, and a good iron bridge spans Flat Rock Creek, thus rendering access to the town convenient and no fording of streams.

The railroad facilities of Osage Mission are not at present very extensive. She has completed the M. K. & T. Ry. running north east by southwest thus giving an outlet by direct line to St. Louis for all products. A line is also contemplated from Springfield Mo. via Osage Mission to Wachita, Sedgwick Co., Kansas, the completion of which will give another independent line to the eastern markets.

The following is a list of the officers of county and city :

#### COUNTY OFFICERS OF NEOSHO COUNTY.

J. R. GOODIN, District Judge, Humbolt, Allen Co.
W. S. IRWIN, Representative, Tioga.
J. L. DENNISON, District Clerk, Erie.
PHILIP M. SMITH, County Clerk, Osage Mission.
J. L. FLETCHER, Probate Judge, Erie.
MICHAEL BARNES, Sheriff, Osage Mission.
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T. F. RAGER, County Attorney, Osage Mission.
THOMAS LEAHY, Treasurer, Osage Mission.
PHILIP HENSON, County Surveyor, Walnut Grove.
DR. J. L. EVANS, Supt. of Public Instruction, Jacksonville.
STEPHEN CARR, Coroner, Osage Mission.
ISREAL STODDARD, Roger's Mills.
SOLON E. MARSTON, Mission.
GEO. W. GABRIEL, Ladore, Commissioner.

CITY OFFICERS OF OSAGE MISSION.

E. P. AYERS, Mayor.

JAS. MARTIN, Police Judge.

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Edward Loomis,	đo				

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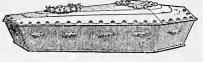


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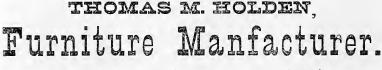
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Land in the vicinity of Osage Mission is worth from five to ten dollars per acre for unimproved, and from ten to forty dollars per acre for improved farms, according to location of land and kind of improvements.

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### HOLDEN, MO.

This lively city is situated in Johnson county at the Junction the Missouri Pacific and the Osage Division of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railroads. Holden was laid out in 1861 as a matter of necessity, to supply the demand for a trading point in that neighborhood, and immediately after its organization a very limited trade started, but no progress was made during the continuance of the war. In 1866 Holden could not have been said to contain more than a thrifty neighborhood but from that time it has been improving very rapidly and its improvement is of a class unsurpassed by any interior town in the State; her growth is best told by the estimated population of 2500 with over one hundred individuals and firms engaged in the different branches of trade and professions. There is also an Agricultural Society and a Literary Society. The Masons and Odd Fellows have each flourishing lodges. There are three fine church buildings (Presbyterian, Methodist, Episcopal and Catholic). One fine brick School building containing five rooms with a graded school ably conducted and employing a corps of efficient teachers; there are also other schools, public and private, all regulated by an excellent school system.

The railroad system of Holden, when we consider age, is remarkable. The Pacific railroad, which traverses the State from east to west, has its division houses, round houses and officers here; the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railway (Osage Division) makes Holden its eastern terminus and adds much to her facilities in trade. Her projected roads are one running due north to connect with the Lexington, Lake & Gulf, at a point eighteen miles from Holden, and a road running northeasterly from Holden to Boonville to be called the eastern extension of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railway. These roads are already nearly a fixed fact and there is no doubt that they will be speedily completed.

Another project worthy of consideration is the organization of a joint stock company with a capital of \$30,000 for the establishment of an Agricultural manufactory which project is being encouraged by the enterprising capitalists of the city. Referring to the manufactories of Holden it would not be out of the way to state that she

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The country around Holden is among the prettiest in Missouri, being rolling prairie interspersed with timber, the soil very rich and productive and an excellent country for stock raising. The country is quite thickly settled yet there is considerable land still open which, not being in the hands of speculators, can be bought at very reasonable prices. Unimproved land can be bought for from \$5 to \$20 per acre, according to location, and good improved farms for from \$15 to \$50 per acre. according to location and kind of improvements. Holden has a people full of enterprise, that are always ready to act upon any measure wherein the community will be benefitted.

There are two live newspapers published here. The Democrat, by Messrs. Williams & Kaga, is an ably edited, large and fine looking sheet, (politically Democratic), and the Holden Enterprise by G. N. Richards, an able and efficient gentleman, is independent politically. Both papers labor for the same ends, for the benefit and improvement of the city and country.

Persons looking Westward for a safe place to invest capital, or for a pleasant home where intellectual and moral advantages are offered, would do well to investigate the advantages of Holden and the surrounding country.

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#### HARRISONVILLE, MO.,

Is one of the oldest towns in Central Missouri, having been laid out in 1838. The present site of Harrisonville was originally in Van Buren county, sub-divided, and the present Cass county organized about the year 1843, with this city as its county seat.

The town is built upon lands donated to Cass County, by act of Congress, for county purposes.

The first sale of lots in Harrisonville took place on the 12th of June, 1838, at which time a great number of lots were sold and the town formally put under way.

The location is a very beautiful and picturesque one, occupying an elevated position on the summit of the Muddy creek banks, (whose waters flow through a part of the town site), in the midst of timber and over-looking rich, rolling prairie in all directions. The first officers of Harrisonville consisted of a Mayor and Common Council, the following gentlemen filling the several offices: S.G. Allen, Mayor; John Coughenour, Wm. R. Maxwell and Thomas Clayton, Councilmen. Some of these gentlemen still reside in Harrisonville.

During the late war, like all other towns in Central and Southern Missouri, this city remained in statue quo, or if any change was perceptible it was for the worse. But in 1867 a new light dawned upon the country, railroads were projected in all directions and the country in the vicinity of this town induced the location of the present Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railwa<sub>5</sub>, of which Harrisonville is now the Western terminus. The completion of this road gave a great impetus to business, and improvement has been going forward very rapidly since; the class of buildings being very permanent and ornamental. In the center of the town is a beautiful square, containing a substantial (though not ornamental) Court House and Jail. The square is entirely surrounded with good substantial business houses, all carrying good stocks and exhibiting a determination to meet the wants of the country, the business, however, is not confined to the square, but extends in all directions.

The population is now estimated at fifteen hundred and a continual influx of people is rapidly adding to its citizens.

Harrisonville possesses within itself as much capital as will be found in any town of its size in the West, and being the terminus

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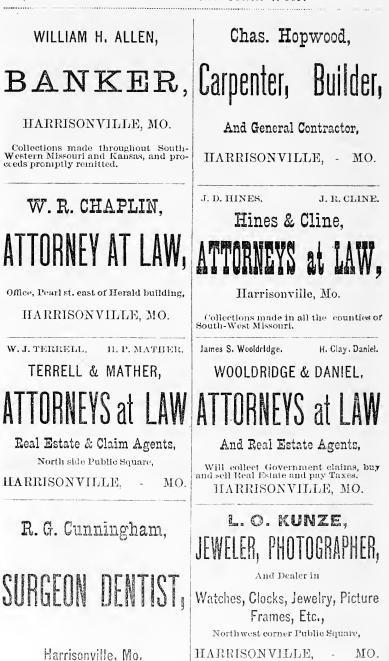
of the M. K. & T. R. R., is a very important transfer point for a large scope of country, east, south and west of her. She has now about one hundred individuals and firms engaged in the different branches of trade and profession, all of which are well supported. The city is at present officered by the following efficient gentlemen: Judge S. D. Benight, Mayor; Major Douglas Dale, Thomas E. Dutro, E. C. Dicken and George S. Aken, Councilmen.

Her educational facilities are good, but not in full accord with the other branches of public interest. One large school building and other smaller ones, accommodate the demand, but the lecation, growth and culture of the town and people would seem to justify better buildings and more extended facilities, and, no doubt, these improvements will soon be made. A new Court House, much larger than the present one, would also greatly improve the looks of the square, and better meet the demands of the country.

There are five church buildings completed, the Methodist Episcopal, North and South, each have a building; also the Baptists, Cumberland Presbyterians and Catholics. Others are contemplated and will be speedily completed. Two live, ably conducted newspapers are published here (the Democratic Herald, which has also an extensive job office attached, is propelled by steam power, and is in all its appointments a model of neatness and convenience. Its publisher, F. G. Jackson, Esq., is a thoroughly practical man in every department of the business, and has as neat and cozy an office as can be found East or West. This paper is politically, Democratic. The Harrisonville Democrat, publi-hed by S. T. Harris, Esq., is also a model weekly, Republican in politics, but alive to all the issues of the day, and an especial advocate of internal improve-This paper has an extensive circulation and is ably conment. The job department is complete and the workmanship ducted. first-class.) Both papers are alive to the interest of the country, and are great levers in pushing forward improvement.

The Masonic Fraternity are in a flourishing condition, having Cass Lodge No. 147, officered by M. O. Clayton, Master, and M. W. Garrison, Secretary; Signet Chapter No. 68, officered by R. O. Vogus, H. P. and M. V. Garrison, Secretary; and Hiram Council U. D. This fraternal brotherhood are building a fine hall, which will be completed the present summer.

The Odd Fellows organized in 1869, Harrisonville Lodge No. 197, have now a membership of about seventy, and are in a very flourishing condition. This Lodge is officered, to-wit: W. B. Mundy, N. G., J. R. Cline, V. G., and S. Patrick, Secretary.



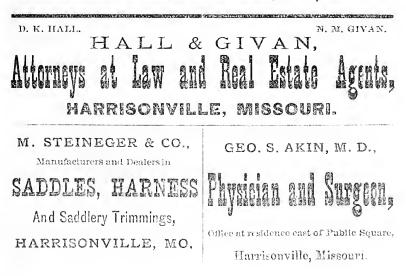
The railroad system of Harrisonville shows one completed road, the Missouri, Kansas & Texas, of which this is at present the terminus. This (Osage) Division running from Holden on the Missouri Pacific almost due west to this city.

The Clinton & Kansas City branch of the T. & N. R. R. from Kansas City to Clinton, is being rapidly built, the bonds being all taken. This road will probably be running to this point during this summer. The Lexington, Lake & Gulf Railroad, from Lexington, Mo., South, passes through this city, and is being constructed. The completion of these roads will place Harrisonville in a position accessible from all points and make her a railroad center of great importance.

Located as it is, near the geographical center of the county, and having an excellent country on all sides, Harrisonville has advantages not possessed by any town in this part of the State.

The surrounding country is beautiful rolling prairie and timber, the soil a rich lime stone, very productive of all grain, fruits and roots. Land in the vicinity and within marketable distance, is worth from eight to fifteen dollars per aere for unimproved, and from fifteen to forty dollars per aere for improved farms, according to location and extent of improvements.

As a manufacturing point no place in the West can offer better facilities, having plenty of timber and good water, and being accessible from all points, every inducement is offered to manufacturers. Persons coming West are cordially invited, by the citizens of Harrisonville, to investigate their advantages.



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The location of Junction City was not a freak of fancy, nor is it a town built upon imaginary advantages, but is a location well studied, and the surrounding country well considered. The projectors maturely deliberated upon the probable growth of the country, taking into consideration all that goes to make a thriving, independent community. The location of the city, being between two of the largest streams in the State, either of which is within a half mile of the town, is such as is well calculated to attract the attention of all far-sighted persons and to receive from all their universal commendation. This locality is also the center of a large number of valleys celebrated for their productive lands, agricultural and manufacturing advantages.

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#### THE COUNTRY

In the vicinity of Junction City is somewhat rolling, (owing to the numerous streams in such close proximity) but is not so abrupt as to prevent cultivation with ease, and produces any product in great abundance and with little labor. The extensive valleys along these The Valley of the Republican, numerous streams are as follows : stretching afar to the northward, contains a vast body of very rich land, nearly every inch of which can be cultivated with case; northwest is the productive Solomon Valley, which contains thousands of acres of as fine land as can be found on the continent; and on the west the Valley of the Smoky Hill has become historic for its beauty, vastness and productiveness. There are also numerous smaller valleys whose land are none the less desirable and productive, all of which are tributary to Junction City, and must throw their vast products into her market, and the inhabitants of which must depend upon this city for all their necessary supplies. Notwithstanding these numerous streams and valleys there are no swamps or sloughs, but the country is sufficiently dry and rolling for all branches of agriculture.

#### AS A STOCK COUNTRY,

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#### THE GROWTH AND IMPROVEMENT

Of Junction City has been of the most substantial character, the business houses of the eity are of a class that would do credit to much larger and more metropolitan cities; her growth has been very rapid, but not more so than the surrounding country.

The city was located in 1859 and incorporated as a city of the second-class, and in 1860 her total population was estimated at seventy-five. During the lapse of eleven years the continuous influx of people has settled up the country, creating a demand for markets, and a business point, consequently Junction City has gone forward rapidly, and now numbers three thousand inhabitants, with a large quota of business houses in all branches and a trade that promises to grow as railroad facilities are extended. The class of buildings are superior to most cities of our age and size, which is no doubt owing in a great measure to the superior quality of building material that is abundant in this locality, chief among which is the celebrated White Magnesia Limestone, known far and wide as "Junction City Marble."

#### BUILDING MATERIAL.

The building material in the vicinity of Junction City consists of lumber and stone. There are extensive quarries of Magnesia limestone (Junction City Marble) throughout Davis county. This stone is easily procured, and when extricated can be sawed to any required size or shape, as easily and almost as rapidly as ordinary soft timber. This stone is a beautiful light cream color and becomes tough and hard by exposure to the weather.

The State Capitol, at Topeka, is built of this stone quarried almost within our city limits and shipped by railroad to Topeka. Mills have been erected for sawing this rock and a good business has grown out of it. Many of the buildings in Junction City are built of this stone, thus giving us a permanent, solid appearance. This stone is also extensively employed in ornamenting buildings in Leavenworth, Kansas City, St. Louis, and even farther East. Next in importance to our natural productions is

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the northern terminus, which road opens up the vast south eastern country, and the Kansas Pacific which traverses the whole length of the State and opens up the northwest to settlement and trade. These roads are completed and daily add their mite to our business. There are in contemplation quite a number of roads, to-wit : The M. K. & T. Ry. Co. are to build an extension up the Republican Valley to Fort Kearney to a junction with the U. P. R. R. A road up the Solomon Valley to Denver known as the Junction City, Solomon Valley and Denver R. R. The Junction City and Southwestern R. R. to connect with the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe R. R. at the mouth of the Little Arkansas river, and the Wa lakarusa Valley R. R. to Lawrence and the east. A company has just been organized and about to commence work on the Kansas and Nebraska railroad, commencing at the north line of the State and running thence to the south line on the Arkansas river. through Marion Centre Wetchata which will connect Junction City with a through line from Omaha, via Lincoln, connecting at this point with the M. K. & T. These routes have had their preliminary surveys and great hopes are entertained of the speedy completion of some or all of them.

#### OTHER PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS.

The Republican River is bridged with a magnificent Howe Truss Bridge by the Republican Bridge Company. The M. K. & T. and the K. P. railroads have their Division buildings here, consisting of Round Houses, &c.

Two fine commodious School buildings are for white children. with a capacity for seating 300 scholars, and one of less pretentions for the accommodation of colored children.

Seven churches, mostly stone buildings, very beautiful and great ornaments to the city; these are, Presbyterian, Protestant Episcopal, Methodist Episcopal, Congregational. Baptist, Catholic and Christian.

#### AS A JOBBING POINT

Junction City will soon rank equal to any point in the west having such a vast scope of country almost entirely dependent upon her for supplies. There are extensive houses here and new ones are being continually established. Junction City possesses all necessary advantages for a first class jobbing point, having a future before her that commends her to all far-sighted business men. Her tributary valleys furnish the best natural railroad beds in the west, and but a short time will elapse before each is occupied by some

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JUNCTION CITY, KAS.

line of road. Nature seems to have destined this particular point as a prominent commercial point. When the M. K. & T. Railway is completed to the Gulf, Junction City will be able to supply all articles as cheap as can be had at any eastern market. Altogether Junction City promises to become the railroad centre for central and western Kansas.

In our limited space we give a short-

#### REVIEW OF SOME OF THE BUSINESS.

That great commercial necessity, a Ban king House, is here supplied by Messrs. James Streeter and Robert O. Rizen, who are gentlemen of unquestionable integrity, and have an establishment that meets the wants of the business community. An extensive business is done by this Banking House. Messrs. Hall & Porter, Wholesale Druggists, have one of the finest stores in the State, and are now supplying almost the entire trade of Western Kansas. They buy by the car load, and therefore get every advantage of low freights and are selling goods as low as the more Eastern markets without adding freight. They have everything for a complete druggist's out-fit, and are cordially commended to the trade. The Panton Mills, Messrs. M. H. Panton & Co., Proprietors, is a commendable establishment, manufacturing an excellent quality of flour, which finds ready sale and is shipped to points quite remote from the point of manufacture. The mill is large and commodious and has a capacity of two hundred barrels per day, eighty-horse power engine and everything in proportion. The Union Carriage Company have extensive facilities for manufacturing carriages. buggies, &c., and turn out a class of work equal to any manufactured West. The enterprising proprietors, Messrs. Schanz & Lagdon, deserve great credit for their efforts. Phil. Beeler also manufactures an excellent style of carriages and buggies, and has an extensive building, two stories high, 42x50 feet. Mr. Beeler established here in 1866. The Junction City Union is published here by G. W. Martin, Esq., an able journalist and a genial gentleman. The Union is a pattern of neatness, typographically, and is one of the largest papers in the State. B. Rockwell & Co. have an extensive stock of general merchandise, and are enterprising, eareful business men. N. S. Gilbert does a wholesale and retail grocery and provision trade, and also accommodates to trade by forwarding all goods sent to his care. B. Bitterman, Esq., keeps the "Great Western Out-fitting Depot," where a complete out-fit for farm or the plains can be procured. Schinur & Thiele represent the fur-

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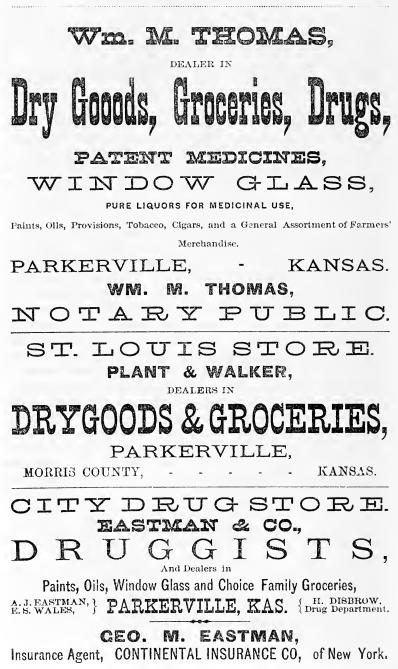


#### SKIDDY, KANSAS,

Is a Station on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railway, thirteen miles south of Junction City in the midst of a very beautiful and fortile country. The surrounding country is beautiful rolling prairie, with rich black soil well adapted to all products. No great effort has yet been made to bring this pooint prominently before the world but ere long the beauties and richness of the country will bring a vast emigration and rapidly settle it up. niture trade with an excellent stock. Junction City has one of the livest land agencies in the West, that of Capt. A. C. Pierce, who has a fine office at the corner of Seventh street and Washington avenue. Capt. Pierce is the authorized agent for the sale of the lands of the M. K. & T. and K. P. railways, the National Land Company, the State Agricultural College lands, and an endless list of lands belonging to private parties. The agency handled one hundred and fifty thousand acres of land and about five hundred town lots in Junction City. Capt. Pierce is provided with a complete set of abstract books for Junction City and Davis County, and with maps and field notes covering the townships in the Salina District, nearly all the lands in the Concordia, and a large part of the Augusta U. S. Land Districts. The Real Estate Register is issued from this office, (distributed free) and is a live and attractive paper, containing much valuable information for the emigrant. There are few agencies in the West better qualified to render very material aid to home-seekers than Capt. Pierce's, with whom are also associated Messrs. A. S. Pierce, E. H. Dinsmore and W. H. Mize, all competent, reliable young men, having an extensive acquaintance with the land business. Land hunters are shown land anywhere from one to one hundred miles distant free of charge, by this enterprising agency. Among the dealers they have the pioneer importers of Central and Western Kansas, Messrs. Strickler & Church have in store the most extensive and best variety of queensware, glassware, plain and engraved fancy wares belonging to their line, to be found anywhere in Kansas. For this trade they choose Junction City as the best possible point for jobbing purposes. Their success has demonstrated that they made no mistake in the selection of location, and despelled all fears of the country sustaining a house of such character. They import direct from England via New Orleans. This Junction City firm handle such quantities and enjoy rates, that they are enabled to sell at St. Louis and Chicago prices, without freight. They are now supplying retailers and jobbers at Emporia, Burlington, Parsons and Chetopa, at better rates than those dealers can obtain anywhere else in the country. This firm have demonstrated that a jobbing house in this specialty can live in the interior, and thereby save to the peo-ple the profits of several intermediate dealers. Parties ordering this class of goods can save the difference between the freight from

Junction City to their points and from St. Louis and their points. Much more could be written of the country surrounding Junction City, as also of Southern and Western Kansas, without exageration.

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#### PARKERVILLE, KANSAS,

Is located near the geographical center of Morris County, thirteen miles from Council Grove, the County Seat, and twenty-four miles from Junction eity, on the Missouri, Kansas & Toxas Railway at the head of the Neosho river, and in the immediate vicinity of Gilmore, Davis, Lardz, Cooper and South ereeks.

Parkerville was located as a town in May, 1870, by Hon. Charles G. Parker, after whom it received its name, and is incorporated as a city of the third class, with the following named gentlemen as her officers: Wm. M. Thomas, Mayor; Chas. D. Parker, Geo. W. Watts, S. F. Barnes, Henry Daniel, A. F. Park, Councilmen; J. J. Thomas, Police Judge; Geo. W. Clark, City Marshal; E. B. Walker, City Clerk.

The location of Parkerville is such as to attract the attention of every person who visits the country, and as her advantages become better known, the more favorable is the impression upon those who investigate them. As an earnest of this fact it is only necessary to state, that within the first year after the location of Parkerville, (which was virtually the opening up of the country) over two hundred and fifty families purchased farms and made permanent settlers in the vicinity of this beautiful town, and are now among the thrifty well-to-do farmers of Kansas. A little over a year ago there was little in this vicinity to indicate even a country neighborhood, the vastness of the prairie wilderness was almost entirely unbroken, and one would associate the buffalo and antelope with their thoughts much more readily than broad fields of waving grain and well populated, thrifty towns. The country continues to be rapidly settling up, and now, where, one year ago, nothing in the shape of house or habitation arose to break the monotony of the broad prairies, can be seen in all directions good substantial and commodious farm houses, stables and ricks of hay and grain. There are but few points in the West that can show as good a growth and as good a class of settlers as are now settled in Morris County, especially fn and near Parkerville. All of this goes to prove the value of the country, and the more so when it is considered that most of the settlers are farmers of long experience, whose judgement in the matter of agriculture can be implicitly relied upon.

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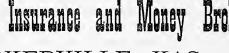
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PARKERVILLE,

KANSAS.

The country surrounding Parkerville is rolling prairie, the soil rich and productive, the chemical constituents of which are loamy marl, containing the phosphate of lime, silica magnesia, alumina and argil, well watered by the numerous streams before mentioned, which are bordered upon both sides by a good thrifty growth of timber. The beautiful meandering Neosho river occu-pies the celebrated valley of the same name, which contributes largely to the wooded wants of the country. The timber consists of oak, ash, black walnut, hickory, hackberry, &c., all of which make excellent lumber for building, manufacturing and improving. The celebrated magnesia limestone is also abundant in Morris County, which has proven to be the best rock known for building purposes. It can be sawed to any desired shape and size, and is of a beautiful cream color, rendering a building beautiful and very substantial. The Osage Orange hedging thrives well here and makes an excellent fence in three or four years. The Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway Company has over one hundred thousand acres of land in Morris county, situated from twelve to twenty miles from Parkerville, which they are selling very cheap to actual settlers.

There is not a locality in the West that offers more favorable investments for capital, nor can persons, seeking a location for any branch of industry, find a country more universally supplied with all local necessities than this. The citizens are of that enterprising class that will allow nothing to pass that will be of benefit to the country.

The improvements of Parkerville are of a very substantial and ornamental class; the number of business houses and professional representatives is about thirty. A good stone school house is being built, to cost about \$4,000. There are three religious organizations, one of which (the Methodists) will soon erect a house of worship; four General stores: three Drug stores: one Grocery store; two Blacksmith shops; three Physicians; two Hardware stores; one Boot and Shoemaker; one Lumber yard; two Real Estate agencies; three Carpenters; three Insurance agents; one good Flouring mill; one Mill; two Boarding houses; one Meat market, &c., &e. [Of these firms we cordially recommend Wm. M. Thomas, General dealer, has a most excellent stock and is a gentleman deserving the high esteem in which he is held. Eastman & Co., Druggists; George M. Eastman; Insurance agent; Plant & Walker, General dealers; J. A. Wallis, Lumber, Stoves, &c.; Dr. William F. Myler, Physician and Boarding House; Henry Daniels, Groceries;

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J. J. Thomas & Co., Real Estate agents, (this firm have a great amount of valuable property for sale and are the agents for the M. K. & T. R. R. lands in Morris County); Chas. G. Parker & Co.'s Steam Flouring Mill, has three run of burrs, is a new mill 30x40 feet, three stories high, and has an excellent saw mill attached; Stacey & Simmons, Contractors and Builders; City Hotel, a good and comfortable house, G. W. Clark, Proprietor; Dr. G. W. Ward. a Physician and Druggist, worthy of a liberal support; P. C. Vrooman, Boot and Shoemaker; Daniel Newlin and W. M. Hall, Blacksmithing and Wagon making. These firms will be found full of the enterprise that goes to make up a live community, and their several advertisements will be found opposite this sketch.—Pub.]

The Masons have a thriving Lodge and the Odd Fellows are about to organize. A splendid opportunity is here offered for manufactories of all kinds, and the citizens are sufficiently enterprising to give material encouragement to anything of the kind.

The central location of Parkerville recommends it favorably to everybody and her citizens cordially invite an examination.

Land in the vicinity is worth from three to ten dollars per acre for unimproved, and from ten to forty dollars per acre for improved farms, according to location and amount of improvement.



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In the early part of the year 1847, a missionary post was established here by Mr. J. S. Huffaker, missionary teacher of the M. E. Church South, who came to this place and opened a school for the education of Indian children, and in the same year the month of April S. M. Hays established a trading post here. The establishment of these institutions of civilization attracted the current of emigration to Mexico and points west, and soon became in the main thoroughfare. During the time prior to 1858 there was continual trouble between wagon trains and the Indians, often resulting in terrible slaughter. This continual trouble made it necessary for the different wagon trains to form into mutual defensive companies and travel with large trains in order to be able to cope with the blood-thirsty redmen. It also became necessary for a certain locality to be designated at which this massing of forces should be accomplished. In consideration of this, the present site of Council Grove was the point designated and became the council grounds for the vast western travel; from this the locality took its present name under which it has grown and thrived to its present prominence. Council Grove was located and incorporated as a town in 1857, the county then being known as Wise county. subsequently changed to Morris.

The location of Council Grove is one of the best in the West being in the midst of a great many streams, all of which have large

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COUNCIL GROVE, KANSAS. Council Grove, Kansas.

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fertile valleys all tributary to the city. These streams are: Big John, Little John, Rock Creek, Munker's Creek, Short-Stough Creek, Bluff Creek, Bitter Creek and Baker's Creek, nearly all of which are in the eastern part of the county and flow towards Council Grove, emptying their waters into the Neosho river. These numerous water courses are belted upon either side with timber of a good growth, thus producing an abundance of timber for all ordinary purposes. The soil throughout the county is a rich black loam, the surface gently undulating, producing in abundance all products of this latitude. There is in the immediate vicinity an abundance of lime stone which makes a most excellent quality of lime and is also extensively employed in building and fencing. A good quality of coal has been discovered convenient but its full extent is not yet known. Good prospects of lead also exist and it is supposed will ere long prove of vast benefit to the country. As a stock growing country it enjoys extraordinary advantages; good water in abundance, good shade, an excellent growth of the most nutritious grasses, mild climate and short winters, and an endless stock range, convenient to all the best markets, having excellent railroad facilities and cheap freights.

The growth of Council Grove has been rapid, yet healthy and substantial, growing from a town with a Post Office and country store in 1860, to a city of one thousand eight hundred inhabitants, with all branches of business extensively represented, good substantial rows of business houses, a good country surrounding, well settled and a thriving community at large. This growth is not superficial, but is permanent and substantial, with a promise of a bright and growing future. There is no danger of going backwards when supported with so fine a country, settled up with such an enterprising, public-spirited people.

#### RAILROADS.

Besides the present completed, M. K. & T. R. R., there are roads contemplated, to-wit: The St. Joseph & Council Grove Railroad, from Council Grove to St. Joseph, Mo., and the Council Grove & Holden branch of the M. K. & T. R. R.

The completion of these roads will place Council Grove far in advance of any town in the south part of the State, and will open up a country rich in every product.

#### GROWTH, IMPROVEMENT, &C.

The growth of Council Grove since the completion of the M.

K. & T. R. R. has been very rapid, and the improvements are of a character that bear the impress of a future as bright as awaits any point in the West. There are now represented here every branch of trade and profession. The manufacturing interests of Council Grove are but little developed, but her facilities are unsurpassed by any locality in the West. There are now over one hundred individuals and firms engaged in business here, many of them very extensive, occupying large, commodious houses, and having large and varied stocks. Among these numerous business firms, the Real Estate business is represented by Messrs. McNay, Stover & Co., a firm full of enterprise and having the best possible facilities for prosecuting a successful business. They have a great amount of real property in city and country. This firm also do an insurance and collecting business. Bertram & Roberts, Attorneys at Law, also deal in Real Estate, and have a good list of lands and city property. The Council Grove Democrat (published by the Council Grove Publishing Company., and edited by Hon. Isaac Sharp, who is also among the prominent attorneys of the city), is purely a Council Grove institution, ably conducted and laboring for the best interests of Morris County especially, and the Southwest generally.

The Council Grove Savings Bank has a capital of \$100,000 and is one of those institutions of sterling worth which does much toward forwarding the general commercial status of any town or eity and which has become to be deemed a great necessity in a town where and important business is transacted. Shamleffer & James have a splendid stock of Dry Goods and General Merchandise, and are a live business firm. The Hays House is a very popular resort and its proprietor, C. P. Worley, a worthy genial gentleman. The appointments of this house are good. R. J. Field, Esq., is a representative man in the Hardware, Stove and Tinware business; he has a splendid stock and is full of energy and enterprise.

In the line of manufacturing, the Morris County Mills take the lead. This is a large commodious establishment, new and complete, having all modern improvements and manufacturing as good grades of flour as can be had anywhere. The proprietors, Messrs. G. W. Simcock & Co., are gentlemen deservedly popular who show an abiding interest in the growth of the eity and country. The Furniture establishment of Mr. Wm. M. Ingham represents another branch of manufactory and his stock of Furniture, Mattresses &c., is complete. (There are many other establishments of sterling worth but space forbids their mention.)

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#### BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES, CHURCHES, &C,

The Odd Fellows, Masons and Good Templars have each a flourishing organization here, each having a good Hall well furnished. A Building association is organized and is wielding a beneficial result. A Shipping association for the shipment of freights and stock is an institution peculiar to Council Grove.

The religious denominations represented here are the Methodist Episcopal, South; Methodist Episcopal Baptist and Congregational. The first mentioned has a good church building and the Congregational society are now crecting a house of worship. The educational facilities of Council Grove are extensive, having three commodious houses, one a fine brick building, 42 by 65 feet, two stories high, which will accommodate 300 students, and cost \$15,000; this is a graded school and is furnished with the latest style of furniture; and two large school buildings for district schools.

The country surrounding the city is beautiful rolling prairie, supplied with plenty of timber and water. The inhabitants are alive to the best interests of the country and will render all possible facilities to new comers.

Land in the vicinity is worth from \$2.50 to \$6.00 per acre for unimproved and from \$10.00 to \$20.00 per acre for improved lands.



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#### EMPORIA, KANSAS.

Is situated in Lyon County, of which it is the County Seat, between the Neosho and Cottonwood rivers, on a peninsula seven miles above the confluence of the two streams. This peninsula is only about two miles wide at this point, the Neosho being about one mile north of the city, and the Cottonwood about a mile south.

Emporia was located as a town in 1857, and a Town Company organized, consisting of Lyman Allen, P. B. Plumb, G. W. Deitzler, G. W. Brown and Columbus Horner, and the first house was built by the company in the spring of 1857, which was merely intended for a work-shop for the mechanics engaged in building a large hotel. During the year quite a number of good buildings were completed and a lively business opened up with the vast tide of emigration. The first newspaper was started by Mr. P. B. Plumb in the summer of 1857, and was called the *Kansas News*, which made its first appearance from one of the rooms in the new hotel.

The beneficial influence of this live civilizer was readily felt, and people were at once attracted to Emporia, where they came and settled, and many of those early settlers still remain, having proven by their accumulated property the correctness of their judgment in selecting Emporia as a point destined to accupy a prominent position among Kansas cities. The first residence was built by E. P. Bancroft, Esq., who still remains one of Emporia's prominent citizens.

#### EMPORIA

## LAND & INSURANCE AGENCY.

### BACHELLER, JONES & PINKERTON,

#### AGENTS

173 Commercial st. up stairs,

### Emporia, Lyon Co., - Kansas.

Will buy and sell Lands and City Property in any part of the State, rent Houses or Lands, pay Taxes, furnish Abstracts of Litle, draw and acknowlenge Deeds,Mortgages,&c., and locate Land Warrants.

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Collections promptly made and quick returns rendered. Every facility given to persons wishing to buy or sell Lands or other Property.

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During the first years of Emporia improvement was only induced by the rapid growth of the country, and the advantages, in location, of the eity. This steady, healthy growth continued until the breaking out of the war, when, like all other places in the West, the growth of the eity stopped, and during the continuance of the war there was no marked improvement.

In 1866 improvement agaiń began more rapid than ever before, the buildings being of a substantial and ornamental character that would do credit to any large Eastern eity.

#### EDUCATIONAL.

The State Normal School was located at this place, by an aet of the Legislature, in 1863, and on the 2d day of January, 1867, the Normal School building was dedicated. The building is of stone, very substantial and a commanding building, is very commodious and well adapted to the purposes for which it is intended. The total cost of the building is about \$25,000, of which the State only paid \$15,650. The site consists of twenty-nine acres of land beautifully situated at the north head of Commercial street, and is neatly laid out. The estimated value of property is as follows:

Site, twenty-nine acres,	-	-	-		\$ 1,000	00
Other lands, 37,760 acres,	-		-		100,000	00
Buildings, – –		-	-	-	25,000	00
Library, – –		-	-	-	2,500	00
Apparatus, – –	-	-	-		200	00

Total valuation of property, - - - \$128,700 00 This is a State institution, for the education of teachers, exclusively.

The establishment of this institution at Emporia has done much for the growth of the city, and has a great moralizing influence over her citizens. The educational facilities of Emporia are not confined to the Normal School, but are very extensive. Several large, commodious buildings are devoted entirely to the purpose of public schools, and a very efficient corps of teachers is employed. Her public schools are of the graded class, equal to any in the State, and great care is taken to keep the standard of education above the ordinary grade in the West.

#### ADVANTAGES, &C.

Situated as it is, between two of the principal streams of the State, and amidst a great number of small streams, Plumb, Taylor. Dow and Allen creek, all flowing southwardly and emptying into

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## F. W. HIRTH,

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## FURNITURE,

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## Bureaus, Bedsteads, Tables, Chairs, Looking Glasses, etc.,

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Manufacturers of the Emporia Wagon

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the Neosho near the city, Emporia possesses rare advantages. These numerous streams make the best water powers in the country, and their valleys are justly celebrated for their fertility of soil and abounding richness. These valleys constitute a vast country, which is all tributary to Emporia, depending upon her for every necessity and reaping the full benefits of her splendid market.

The manufacturing facilities of Emporia are extensive, and quite a number of mills and other machinery are now in successful operation. There are now five water-power mills in operation within a few miles of the city, three steam mills, a good woolen factory and an extensive paper mill. Other branches of manufactory will soon be in operation. The facilities for all classes of manufacturing are inexhaustible, the country producing, in abundance. all the necessities for running and operating.

The railroad system of Emporia is equal, if not superior, to any city in the State, having now completed competing lines; the Missouri, Kansas & Texas, running from Junction City via Emporia to the south and southeast, and the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe from Atchison via Leavenworth and Emporia to the great Southwest. The lines now contemplated are the Holden Branch of the M. K. & T. R. R. from Emporia to Holden, Mo., and the Emporia & Walnut Valley Railroad, running Southwest; this company have their principal offices at Emporia, These several roads will be speedily completed and will bring the products of a vast country to the Emporia markets.

#### GROWTH, IMPROVEMENT, &C.

The Nissouri, Kansas & Texas and the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroads were completed to this city in the summer of 1870, which gave a great impetus to business and forwarded improvement materially. Since the completion of these roads no city in the State has grown more rapidly, nor can any point show a more substantial and ornamental class of business houses. The principal business houses are built of brick, manufactured close at hand, and are of extraordinary dimensions. The streets are wide, and the city is spending \$20,000 for Macadamising the present season.

The population of Emporia in 1860 was estimated at 400, while now she can boast of being the home of 3,500, representing all classes of trade and profession.

Many branches of trade are represented with mammoth stocks. Among the prominent and conspicuous buildings in the city, are eleven fine churches, an excellent stone Court House, one normal

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## Robinson house

#### EMPORIA, KANSAS

I. N. ROBINSON & SONS, Proprietors.

Stages leave this House Daily For all Points in the South and South-West.



school building, two public school school buildings, Bancroft block and Ruggles & Plumb's fine three-story brick. There are now many fine business houses being erected, with iron fronts and in beantiful architectural style. [There are many other good, substantial buildings, but our space forbids a detailed mention]. There are over two hundred individuals and firms engaged in the different branches of trade and profession. Among the sterling business firms the Real Estate business is represented by three energetic firms. E. P. Bancroft's Agency, in Bancroft's Block. Mr. Bancroft is a gentleman of wide experience, having been engaged in the business here for over thirteen years, during which time he has handled a vast amount of real estate. He also publishes Bancroft's Real Estate Register, a live, energetic paper, devoted to the interests of the country. Mr. Bancroft also owns Bancroft's Block which stands a monument to his energy. A full set of abstract books will be found in his office. Bacheller, Jones & Pinkerton, 173 Commercial street, have extraordinary facilities for handling real estate. They are among the livest gentlemen in the city, and have lands and property adapted to every want. The *Real Estate* Advertiser is published by this firm and is distributed free. This firm supply abstracts of titles to land in Lyon County. Crawford. Steele & Co., are also representative real estate men, having a complete set of abstracts for Lyon County, and are handling the railroad lands in the vicinity. In furniture there are two representative firms, F. W. Hirth and H. Knorr and R. C. Haywood & Co., who have fine stocks; Mr. Hirth and H. Knorr manufacture a fine class of furniture and supply a great many points. The carriage factory of Messrs. Burgan & Holmes is an establishment of much merit, and as fine a class a class of work turned out as can be found anywhere. They manufacture five wagons per week, the celebrated "Emporia Wagon," of Indiana timber. In hardware, B. T. Wright, 136 Commercial street, has a most excellent stock, and is one of the live business men of the city. Bancroft & McCarter do a jobbing trade in dry goods and notions and make formidable competitors to Eastern markets. Another favorite of the city is the Robinson House, Messrs. Robinson & Sons, Proprietors. It is firstclass in its appointments and does credit to Emporia. The city bakery, C. Emmerson & Son, proprietors, are live, energetic gentle-men. Of newspapers there are the *Emporia Tribune*, W. W. Williams, Proprietor, one of the best weekly papers in Kansas, alive to the interests of the country, and a live exponent of the rights and privileges of the people. *Emporia News*, daily and weekly, by

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#### NEOSHO RAPIDS, KANSAS.

Is a very pleasant town, situated on the M. K. & T. Railway, and on the west bank of the Neosho River. Owing to no especial effort on the part of those interested in the growth of the town there is no great improvement going forward. The country surrounding Neosho Rapids is very beautiful and is rapidly settling up. The Neosho River offers good opportunities for manufacturing. Land is worth from \$3.00 to \$8.00 per acre for unimproved and from \$10 to \$15 per acre for improved. Six miles south is

#### HARTFORD, KANSAS.

Located on the west bank of the Neosho river. This is quite a prominent point, in the full enjoyment of railroad facilities and containing ten or twelve business houses.

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Jacob Stoller; Emporia Ledger, by the Ledger Publishing Company; Educational Journal, monthly, by Banfield & Dilworth, (this is the organ of the State Teachers' Association); Real Estate Register, monthly, by E. P. Bancroft, real estate broker; Real Estate Bulletin, monthly, by H. E. Norton & Co.; Real Estate Advertiser. monthly, by Bacheller, Jones & Pinkerton.

#### THE SURROUNDING COUNTRY

Is beautiful rolling prairie, the numerous streams being skirted with an excellent growth of timber. As a fruit country it has the superior advantages always accorded to a well watered country.

Land within convenient marketing distance is worth from \$5.00 to \$15.00 per acrefor unimproved and from \$20.00 to \$40.00 for improved farms. The best of rock for building purposes, is found convenient and a splendid flag-stone quarry has been opened convenient to the city.

The Masons, Odd Fellows and Sons and Daughters of Temperance are well represented by a number of Lodges.

Emigrants and capitalists will find a people full of enterprise and ready to help them forward.

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D. CROSS & SONS,

Burlington, Coffey Co., Kansae.

#### BURLINGTON, KANSAS,

Is situated at the Geographical center of Coffey County, on the west bank of the Neosho river, and on the line of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway; ninety miles from Junction City and sixtyseven miles from Parsons.

Coffey county was organized in 1857, and the temporary countyseat located at Leroy. During the same year Burlington was located as a trading point by a company consisting of Col. O. E. Leonard, C. W. Babeoek, B. W. Woodwarn and others from Lawrence. The location of Burlington attracted a great deal of notice, and the town went forward rapidly, and, in 1858, the county-seat was removed from Leroy to Burlington. During the first year after the organization the company erected the Burlington Hotel, a Saw and Grist Mill and bridged the Neosho river, which combined improvements cost about \$25,000.00. After the location of the county-seat at this point the growth of the town assumed a more permanent character, and went steadily forward until 1861, at which time the growth of all towns was stopped, and the improvement only kept pace with the country until the close of the war.

The Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway was completed to this place in January, 1860, which again started forward improvement, and Burlington began to assume city proportions and was incorporated in March, 1870, and T. A. Atherly elected as first Mayor.

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Kansas.

### J. F. COLE & CO.,

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## Undertakers,

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General Repairing, Scroll Sawing and Job Work in all its branches, promptly done and Satisfaction Guaranteed.

Coffins constantly on Hand and furnished to Order Good Hearse furnished when desired.

#### GROWTH, IMPROVEMENTS, BUSINESS, &C:

The comparative figures showing population during the last decade. In 1869 her population was estimated at 250; population in 1871, over 1,200. With a full quota of business houses and all professions ably represented. There are now, three exclusive Dry Goods houses, four General Dealers, eight Grocery stores, three Drug stores, two Hardware stores, two Saddle and Harness shops, three Hotels, one Livery stable, eleven Attorneys at Law, seven Physicians, two Photographers, one Dentist, two Wagon-makers, four Blacksmiths, five Painters, two Barbers, to Real Estate Agents, six Insurance Agents, one Furniture Manufactory, two Furniture stores, one exclusive Agricultural Implement dealer, two Millinery stores, one Steam Woolen Factory, two Grist Mills, one Saw Mill, one Newspaper, *The Burlington Patriot*, (a good, lively paper,) and in fact nearly every branch of business is well represented.

[The Excelsior Mills, D. Cross & Sons, Proprietors, is one of the finest mills in the west, is propelled by water, having fifteen feet head. These enterprising gentlemen have a dam across the Neosho and bring the water through a race about a half mile to their mill. The buildings consist of the main building, 32x48 feet, three stories high, and an office 14x18 feet two stories high. Both buildings are elaborately finished with polished black walnut, and are the best in the State. The capacity of the mill is about 200 barrels per day. These mills cost the proprietors over J. F. Cole & Co. are an extensive house with a fine \$40.000.00. and varied stock of Hardware, Stoves and Farm Implements. No better stock can be found in any western city than that of Messrs. Messrs. Henderson & Sheafor manufacture an excel-Cole & Co. lent class of furniture and are practical, energetic gentlemen, who do credit to the town. Messrs. Lane & Kent, Land Agents and Brokers, handle a vast amount of real estate, and, having a complete set of Abstract Books for Coffey county, have excellent facilities for dealing in all kinds of landed property. They also have the selling of the Rail Road Lands. The Burlington Woolen Mills, F. A. Atherly & Co., Proprietors, is the onty complete Woolen Factory in the Neosho Valley, and manufacture an excellent quality of Cloths, Cassimeres, &c., &c. The Bromley House is one of the principal hotels of the city, and is a splendid and home-like place for the resident and traveling public. O. B. Bromley, Esq., the genial proprietor, is an enterprising gentleman,]

ORSON KENT.

JAMES M. LANE.

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#### THE MANUFACTURING ADVANTAGES

Are equal to any point in the State, having, close at hand, good water powers, and an abundance of good coal and excellent timber. An effort is now being made, with fair prospects of success, to organize a company for the manufacture of Agricultural Implements with sufficient water power to add all classes of machinery.

#### SCHOOLS AND CHURCHES.

The educational facilities of Burlington are equal to any point in the country, having now a substantial stone building, and will erect another good building very soon. There are now completed four commodious churches, Protestant Episcopal, Methodist Episcopal, Congregational and Christians. The Catholics are building a fine church and the Presbyterians will erect a house the present season.

#### BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATIONS, &C.

The Masons are represented by Lodge and Chapter and have a good hall.

The Odd Fellows also have a good hall and are in a flourishing condition.

The Good Templars are doing much good in their workings.

#### RAILROADS.

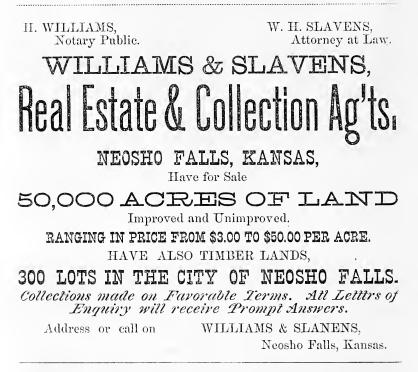
Besides the present, completed, Missouri, Kansas and Texas R. R., the Kansas City, Burlington and Santa Fe, and the Topeka. Burlington and Verdigris Valley R. R. are almost sure to be completed to this point the coming Fall.

#### THE SURROUNDING COUNTRY

Is rich, rolling prairie, producing all kinds of grain and Fruit.

The country is especially adapted to stock-raising. Good coal abounds plentifully, and Magnesia Lime Stone and Slate are abundant and are extensively employed in building.

Land in the vicinity is worth from \$3.00 to \$10.00 per acre for unimproved, and from \$10.00 to \$30.00 per acre for improved farms.



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## FINNEY & WOODWARD,

DEALERS IN

STOVES & HARDWARE,

Wagons and all kinds of Agricultural Implements,

Manufacturers and Wholesale and Retail Dealers in

## Tin and Sheet Iron Ware,

NORTH MAIN ST.,

Neosho Falls,

Kansas.

#### NEOSHO FALLS. KANSAS.

Is the County Seat of Woodson County, is located on the Neosho river and on the line of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway. The town was located in 1857 by a Town Company composed of N. S. Goss, B. F. Goss, T. L. Clark and Wm. Brown. Woodson County was organized in 1858, and Neosho Falls designated as its County Seat. This point was selected from its advantageous location for all purposes, manufacturing and agricultural facilities.

The prominent features of the town are its extraordinary water powers. Situated on the Neosho river, where a fall of from ten to twelve feet can be had within a remarkable short distance, the manufacturing interests of the locality will readily be perceived. There are already several mills in operation here, all driven by the waters of the Neosho, and all doing an extensive business.

During the early years of Neosho Falls there was little to induce improvement, as the country was not settled and there was no facilities for shipping, &e., therefore delaying any improvements of the extensive water powers. Thus it remained until the spring of 1870. The Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway was completed to this point, and being near the central portion of their lands, was designated as the point for the principal land office of the company, and Prof. Isaac T. Goodnow at once opened an office here. It is also the end of one division of the road, and the railroad company have round houses and division buildings here. W. W. P. MCCONNELL. J. BISHOP. T. L. CLARK.

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Neosho Falls, Kansas.

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Neosho Falls, Kansas.

#### GROWTH, IMPROVEMENT, &C.

Since the completion of the railroad to this point the growth of the city has been rapid. Neosho Falls is now an incorporated city of the third-class, has a population of about one thousand, (in 1860 the population was 150) and representing all classes of business and profession. As a better exhibit the number of business houses are: Banks, one; dealers in General Merchandise, five; Druggists, three; Hardware, two; Hotels, three; Attorneys at Law, six; Physicians, five; Dentists, one; Flouring Mills, one; Saw Mills, three; Photographers, two; Jewelers, two; Milliners, two; Saddle and Harness, two; Book, one; Boot and Shoemakers, two; Wagonmakers, two; Blachsmiths, three; Carpenters, six; Painters, three; Masons (brick, stone, and plasterers), three; Saloons, two; Agencies, Real Estate and Insurance, five; Brick Yards, one; Land Office of the M. K. & T. R. R.; Newspapers, one, the Neosho Falls Advertiser, a live paper, published by T. J. Conner, devoted to the interest of the country. Many of these firms have extensive stocks and have large, commodious buildings.

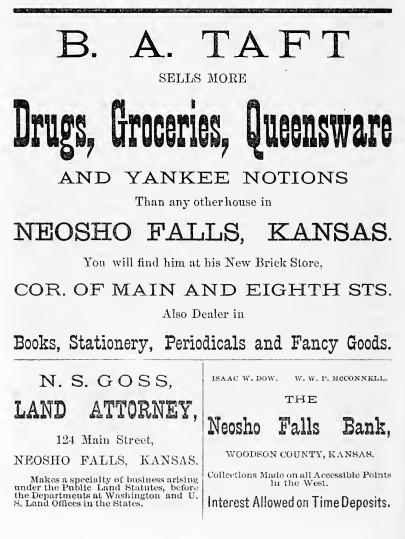
The Real Estate Agency of Messrs. Williams & Stavens, is an institution of much merit, and the proprietors as emphatically land They have over fifty thousand acres of land for sale, beside men. a great number of city lots. Persons seeking homes can be satisfied in price and location at their office. The Neosho Falls Bank is organized with a large capital, and is of great benefit to the business men of the city. This institution was established in March of the present year. The enterprising proprietors, Isaac W. Dow and W. W. P. McConnell, are among the oldest citizens of Neosho Falls, and enjoy the full confidence of the people. Mr. McConnell has been a citizen of Neosho Falls fourteen years, ten years of which have been spent in merchandising. He is now the senior member of the firm of McConnell, Bishop & Co., wholesale and retail dealers in general merchandise. This firm has an extensive stock, and are doing a most excellent business. In hardware, agricultural implements, stoves, &c., Messrs. Pinney & Woodward are a representative firm, and enjoy a lively and profitable trade. H.H. Inness, Proprietor of the Falls House, is a genial, pleasant landlord, and his house is a pleasant, home-like place to stop. B. A. Taft, Esq., enjoys almost a monopoly in the line of drugs, groceries, notions, &c., as his popularity has built up a trade that promises to stick with him during his continuance in business. N. S. Goss, Land Attorney, makes a specialty of land titles and land litigations,

and is therefore well qualified to any business in connection with land titles. &c.

Many improvements are contemplated, among which is a proposed extensive manufacturing establishment by W. W. P. McConnell, Esq., who owns an excellent water power.

#### RAILROADS.

The present M. K. & T. Railroad, already completed, gives an outlet for all products, and enables the business community to com-



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peto with other points. There are also projected the Fort Scott, Iola & Neosho Falls Railroad, the route of which has been surveyed by the M. K. & T. Railroad Company. The Paola & Fall River Road, which has been surveyed and located, and another contemplated route from Clinton, Mo., due West, to cross the M. K. & T. at Neosho Falls, running west to Wacheta. The completion of one or more of these roads will place Neosho Falls far in advance of other towns, and will make her a point of prominence not yet attained by other points.

CHURCHES, SCHOOLS, &C.

The Methodist and Presbyterian congregations have commodious churches, and the Congregationalists are going to build the present season.

Her educational facilities are good, but will be greatly enlarged the coming season. One large school house partially meets the present demands, and another still larger will be erected the coming season.

SECRET AND BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES.

The Odd Fellows and Masons have each a flourishing organization here, and each are in a fine growing condition; own good commodious halls, well furnished and equipped.

THE SURROUNDING COUNTRY.

No part of Kansas has better facilities for farming and stock raising than Woodson County, being watered by the Neosho river in the northeast portion of the county, its tributary creeks reaching out in all directions, and the Virdigris flowing through the southwest part of the county, with its numerous tributaries extending to the most remote parts of the country. The general character of the country is gently undulating, the soil the rich, black loam, from which the great Neosho Valley has gained such notoriety.

Every inducement is offered to newcomers by the enterprising citizens of the city and county, and an invitation is extended for all to come and investigate the advantages of Neosho Falls and the surrounding country.

Coal has been discovered, but its extent yet remains unknown. Good building rock exists in close proximity in inexhaustible quantities. Unimproved land in the vicinity is worth from \$4 to \$10 per acre, and improved farms from \$12 to \$40 per acre, according to location and improvements.

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CURES Rheumatism in from One to Six Days. Neuralgia in One Toothache in One Minute. Coughs and Colds in Twenty-Hour. Sore Throat in Ten Minules. Four Hours. Sprains in One Hour. Colic or Cramps in Ten Minutes. Pain in the Back or Side in Ten Minutes. Headache in Three Minutes. Earache in Three Minutes. Catarrh, Fever and Ague, Cuts, Burns, Diarrhœa in One Hour. Bruises, Dyspepsia, Piles, Corns, Frosted Feet, Bunions, Asthma, Inflamation of the Kidneys, Contracted Cords and Muscles, Diseases of the Liver, &c., &c., all Nervons or Inflammatory Aches or Pains, cured in from Three Minutes to Three Days.

This great household remedy should be in every family, as it is a sure and Per-manent cure for all it is recommended.

There can be no danger in using it as it is perfectly harmless when used accord-ing to the directions. It is composed of purely vegetable matter—gums, juices, barks rosins, flowers, etc.,—such as nature has endowed with wonderful healing and seda-tive propertides, and is prepared very carefully by the proprietor. Pain cannot exist for any length of time where you use the "WONDER" freely.

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If your druggist does not keep the "WONDER" you can procure it in any quan-tity by addressing me at my office. Don't be put off by their saying that some other preparation is equally as good, as it is not. I am responsible for the "WONDER" and all I recommend it for.

We could produce thousands of testimonials proving its wonderful power in curing diseases for which it is recommended, but a trial will prove to the most skeptical that it is indeed a "WONDER."

The best Internal and External Remedy in the world for DISEASES OF THE HORSE. It is a Sure Cure in a few minutes for BOTTS and COLLC, and every one owning a HORSE. It is a Sure Cure the "WONDER" on hand in case of need. I want Agents to travel and sell my remedies, and I have agents who make Five

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## HUMBOLDT, KANSAS,

This thriving town is situated in Allen County, on the Neosho River and on the line of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railway. The city lies principally upon the eastern bank of the river, but a bridge spanning the river at this point and the M. K. & T. Railway being on the west side of the river has induced a fair growth upon the western side of the river.

(The following which is copied *verbatim*, leaving out unimportant matter, from the latest compiled Directory, constitutes the principal data from which we were enabled to write a sketch of the city and being found, by investigation, to be in its principal features correct, we use it, tendering our consideration to the publisher of the Humboldt Directory. PUBLISHER.)

"Humboldt was founded in 1867 by a company of Germans. This was prior to the survey by the government. After the survey another company was organized, which purchased the land of the Government and laid out the town on the present site, which is one of great beauty, and is principally upon the bank of the Neosho river, near the mouths of Coal and Owl creeks. It is almost surrounded by fertile valleys, stretching in different directions for a great distance. There is an abundance of timber, much of which is suitable for lumber. Surface coal is found in considerable quantities near the place.

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## REDFIELD & HURD,

#### CENERAL

# REAL ESTATE BROKERS,

#### AND

Agents for the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway Co's Lands,

HUMBOLDT, MANSAS,

Have a choice selection of excellent

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During the late war Humboldt was exposed to raids by bushwhackers and Indians, occupying a position on the immediate border of white settlements. On the first of September, 1861, those citizens of Humboldt who were capable of bearing arms were called upon to defend the border, as the battle of Drywood, in Bourbon county, had been fought and the Union forces retired to Fort Lincoln, twelve miles north. During the absence of this force from Humboldt, robbers sacked the place and carried off almost everything portable. At this time Humboldt contained about 100 houses, including several stores, shops, &c. The surrounding country was also devastated, the houses pillaged. and \* \* \* \* the stock driven off. \* : The people succeeded in saving five or six of the buildings from The United States Government subsequently made the fiames. Humboldt a military post during the war, and an effort was made thereafter to rebuild the town, but without success, as the place 零 was constantly harrassed by marauding bands. \*

In 1867 Humboldt had revived, and now (January 1st, 1871) contains a population of 1800. There are two railroads in operation at this place, and a third line will be built within eighteen months giving a direct communication by rail with the East. There are also two banks, two newspapers, one real estate paper, five good churches, two public halls, a large stone building for graded schools, also other schools, a commodious hotel building of the Mansard style, and several other hotels, two flouring mills with a capacity of 200 barrels per day, and a splendid iron bridge spans the river here. All kinds of building material are cheap and abundant at this place. Manufacturing would be profitable, as timber, coal and water power are abundant. Humboldt is the emporium of a large district west and southwest. Considering the embarrassments in consequence of the late war, and the destruction of the town, Humboldt has made a remarkable growth, and the large number of beautiful residences and substantial business houses speaks well for the enterprise of her citizens.

The U.S. land office for the Humboldt land district is located The lands comprised in this district lie south of at Humboldt. township 22, extending to the south line of the State. and from the east line of the State westward to the west line of range 9, being about 75 miles from north to south, and 100 miles from east to west, embracing three miles of the south part of Lima, Anderson and Coffey counties, and all of Bourbon, Crawford, Cherokee, Allen, Neosho, Labette, Woodson, Wilson, Montgomery, Greenwood and Howard counties. About twenty miles in width on the north side of the district lands are open for pre-emption or homestead entry, except such portion as has been granted to aid in the construction of railroads. But little, however, of these lands remain unsold. The balance of the district is divided into: Cherokee Neutral Lands. twenty-five miles on the east, all of which has been disposed of; Osage Ceded Lands, about twenty-eight miles wide, lying west of the Neutral Lands, of which a large portion is grant-

ed to the Leavenworth, Lawrence & Galveston Railroad, and Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway Companies. The balance is in the market to *bona fide* settlers at \$1,25 per acre. West of these lands are the Osage Indian Trust Lands, a twenty-mile strip of which is now in the market in the same way as the ceded tract. A strip lying south of this will be sold only to actual settlers at the same price, and will be in the market as soon as surveyed. During the past year, up to December 20th, this office has disposed of these lands to actual settlers as follows: Of the Osage Ceded Lands 143,207 acres for \$179,000, cash; of the Osage Indian Trust Lands, 66,388 acres for \$82,985, cash; making a total of 209,595 acres for \$261,994, cash. This, besides a considerable busines in the sale of other lands and homesteads.

#### THE SURROUNDING COUNTRY.

Allen county is watered by the Neosho, Osage and Marmiton Rivers; Indian, Deer, Rock, Elm, Owl, Scatter and Big creeks. The country is beautiful, mostly prairie, having an abundance of timber of the best varieties. The soil is deep black and red loam very deep and productive. Land in the vicinity of Humboldt is worth from three to twelve dollars per acre for unimproved and from fifteen to forty dollars per acre for improved farms.

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Humboldt has within the last decade, having been destroyed during the war. In 1870 the population was estimated at 150 while now, as before given, it is 1800, representing all branches of trade and profession, with extensive houses and mammoth stocks.

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The citizens of Humboldt are alive to all appertaining to the growth and improvement of the country and will render any facility to new-comers, extending a hearty welcome to all to come and investigate her numerous advantages.

The Odd Fellows and Masons have each a flourishing organization and good commodious halls.

#### AMERICUS, KANSAS.

This is a thriving village, located in 1870, and having now a population of about one hundred and fifty. The town is located on the M. K. & T. R. R., fifty-three miles from Junction City, on the Neosho river.

The country surrounding Americus is beautiful rolling prairie. with rich alluvial soil upon either side of the Neosho, while extending afar back the soil is a rich, black loam, very productive, and one of the best agricultural districts in the West. There are about a dozen business houses here, and the enterprising dealers are doing a good trade.

Land in the vicinity is worth, for unimproved from \$2.50 to \$6 per acre, and for improved from \$10 to \$15 per acre.



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New Chicago, or the land now occupied by the town, was entered April 28th, 1870, under joint resolution of Congress, and was selected for a town site about the middle of May following. The tract was surveyed and town plat filed on the 11th day of June, 1870. T. C. Jones, S. W. Foster, J. A. Wells, John C. Carpenter and C. H. Pratt, were the original owners of the site. The original site consisted of 160 acres, subsequently enlarged by an addition of 160 acres on the north, eighty acres on the south and forty acres on the west.

The early days of New Chicago were attended with some considerable difficulties. The M. K. & T. R. R. was completed and trains were running, but there was no stopping place on the road nearer than Humboldt, nine and a half miles, consequently all building material, merchandise, &c., was billed to Humboldt, from which point it had to be carted by team and wagon to New Chieago. But these difficulties did not materially retard the growth of the town, for houses went up as if by magic, and it soon became established that there was bound to be a town of importance here. In the latter part of June, 1870, the M. K. & T. Railroad Company were induced to build a switch here, and in September erected the present very neat and commodious depot building, and in the first month after the erection of the depot, the freight bills of the railroad amounted to over ten thousand dollars from this point, and



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The Leavenworth, Lawrence & Galveston Railroad was completed to this point in December, 1870, which also added greatly to the facilities of the city, and was very instrumental in pushing forward the growth of the city and country. During the summer there was a perfect rush to this point, and houses could not be built fast enough to supply the demand, and the country settled up very rapidly.

The class of buildings, resident and business, are good, much better than is usually found in a town of thrice its age. Another very praisworthy feature is the vast extent of sidewalks, there being a greater length of good, substantial plank sidewalks than can be found in any town of its size in the Southwest.

The country around New Chicago is already thickly settled, but a continuous immigration is rapidly adding to the population and wealth of the country. The country is beautiful rolling prairie, skirted with a fine growth of timber along the Neosho, the soil very rich and productive of all crops, and well adapted to the culture of fruits and grapes. The soil is rich and from two to five feet deep, lands selling for from \$5 to \$20 per acre. This is the point at which the railroads virtually leave the great Neosho Valley.

New Chicago is incorporated as a city of the third class, with Mayor and Council, being an independent city government, and when age is considered, her growth and permanent aspect is a marvel. Here, where fourteen months ago all was wild prairie, known only as "the plains of Southern Kansas," now stands a thriving town of over one thousand inhabitants, representing every branch of trade and profession, and having over eighty individuals and firms doing a good business. The people of New Chicago are full of enterprise and energy, and will not let any matter flag where the best interests of the town or country are to be the least benefitted. Much of the vast tide of Western bound emigration are turning their attention to that part of Kansas tributary to New Cbicago, and accepting the advantages offered to settlers in that vicinity. The country abounds in nearly everything necessary for an independent, self-sustaining community; wood, water, coal and the best of building stone, all combine to contribute largely to the benefits of the country.

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ites and a fair prospect for additional and competing lines. Appropriations or subscriptions have been voted almost unanimously to a line of railroad to be known as the Fort Scott, New Chicage and Fredonia railroad, running from Fort Scott via New Chicage and Fredonia to some point west on the Arkansas river. This company have already an organization with the following named gentlemen as its officers: J. H. McMahon, President; W. P. Mc-Clure, Vice President; George C. Crowther, Secretary and T. C. L. Dood Treasurer.

The preliminary survey has been made by experienced men and the route pronounced one of the best in the West. (This line has large subscriptions from the country through which it runs.) There is being a fine stone church erected here and an appropriation of \$15,000 has been made for the erection of a large brick school house. The Masons and Odd Fellows have each a flourishing organization here and have a commodious hall. One newspaper, the New Chicago Transcript is published here by Geo. C. Crowther, proprietor, an able journalist. [This paper is a pattern of typographical neatness and is alive to the interests of the country.] The several religious denominations have organizations here and ere long each will have their church building. The manufacturing interests of this vicinity are very little developed. The Neosho River affords most excellent advantages and will, no doubt be extensively patronized in a short time, but at present its resources remain untried. The citizens of New Chicago well know the benefits derived from established manufactories and will give material aid to such enterprises. The greatest present want is a large Flouring mill ; the country demands it and the citizens want it and will give the most liberal inducements for its erection. Emigrants are cordially invited to investigate the advantages of this locality. Daily stages leave New Chicago for Altoona, Fredonia, Elk Falls, Howard City, Winfield, Arkansas City and other points west and south, thus rendering splendid facilities to the traveler.

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In the latter part of 1870 the country now occupied by Parsons was known only as the wild prairies of Southern Kansas.

In June, 1870, the Neosho Division of the M. K. & T. R. R., from Junction City, was completed and running past this point, which gave to the country an appearance of civilization, and induced a great many persons to settle all along on the line of road, and in November of the same year, the project was made public of establishing a town here, and on the 16th of November, 1871, the first survey was made, and four days afterwards the first house was commenced. The final, locating, survey of the Sedalia Division of the M. K. & T. R. R. established a junction here with the Neosho Division, which (Sedalia) Division was completed to Parsons in March. Soon after the completion of the Sedalia Division, the first sale of lots by the Town Company took place. This was really the establishment and inauguration of the town. A great number of lots were sold, and building immediately commenced with a rapidity never before known in the West.

Parsons is located in the forks of the Big and Little Labette creeks, in and near the center of Labette County, at the junction of the three divisions (Sedalia, Neosho and Cherokee) of the M. K. & T. R. R.

#### THE COUNTRY

Surrounding Parsons is beautiful, being alternate strips of prairie and timber, the soil that productive black loam, so peculiar to Southern Kansas. Good coal mines are being worked within five miles of the town, with every indication of an inexhaustible supply.

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The country is already quite thickly settled, and much of the vast tide of Southwestern emigration is locating in and around Parsons.

#### GROWTH AND IMPROVEMENT.

The growth of Parsons is without a parallel in the West, being now only about four months old, and containing over forty business At this writing (June 20th) the estimated population is houses. about eight hundred, but every week adds hundreds. There is a full quota of residences, corresponding with the number of business houses. There is a good school building, in which is conducted a good school with sixty pupils, and the Town Company proposes to erect a commedious house for a graded school the present season, to cost not less than \$5,000. The Methodist Episcopal congregation are now erecting an imposing building, and other denominations are contemplating building at an early day. The Odd Fellows and Masons have each a healthy and growing organization here. A large and extensive flouring mill is already under contract and will be speedily completed. One saw mill is in operation about a mile from town. This is an excellent location for all branches of manufactories, having everything required to sustain and feed them close at hand, wood, water, coal, &c., and a country growing rapidly, which demands all products.

#### PROSPECTS.

The location of Parsons is such as to make it the most accessible point on the line of the M. K. & T. R. R., for their machine shops and principal offices, being at the junction of the three principal divisions, and abounding in everything necessary for their operation. The company will erect a large, commodious brick depot building here during the coming season, and there is no question but that the principal machine shops of the company will be located here and will also be completed this season. This of itself would be sufficient to support a large corps of business men, as there must necessarily be several hundred men continually employed. Mr. R. S. Stevens, General Manager of the M. K. & T. R. R., is erecting a fine residence in the south part of the town, with a view of making Parsons his home, which is another evidence of what is to be expected of the town in the future.

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#### IN A BUSINESS POINT OF VIEW

Parsons has advantages over any point in the Southwest; being located in the midst of a fine agricultural and manufacturing region, with no point of prominence to enter into favorable competition. Her railroad facilities place her far in advance of many towns of a dozen times her age and thrice her size, being in perfect enjoyment of cheap and quick freights, and in direct railroad connection with all points Northwest, Northeast, East and South, and having lines of stages in all directions. But a few months hence Parsons will be the depot of supplies for a vast scope of country.

The location of Parsons is such as to recommend her to all careful business men, being fifty miles from Fort Scott, (her only formidable competitor), 159 miles from Sedalia, and 348 miles from St. Louis, and by reference to the map in the back of this book, will be seen to possess great advantages, geographically, over other points in the Southwest.

The different branches of business are carried on extensively here. There are three commodious Hotels, the Belmont House, by U. L. C. Beard, the Parsons House, by Messrs. Noves & Chamberlin, and the United States Hotel, by D. W. Godwin, all new buildings, well kept and a credit to the town. The Real Estate business is also extensive carried on here, and has a lively representative in the live firm of Messrs. Walker & Thomas, who have more land for sale than any agency south of Fort Scott, and being gentlemen of long experience in the business, understand best how to meet the people's wants. Melville, Plato & Co., have an extensive stock of lumber, and are an enterprising go-a-head firm, with whom it is a pleasure to deal. In furniture Messrs. Joseph Huhn & Co. carry au excellent and choice stock, and also have a stock of carpetings that would do credit to a much larger town. A good newspaper, The Sun, has just been established here; M. W. Reynolds, Editor and Publisher, is a gentleman of long experience and an able journalist. The office is one of the most extensive in the State, having a large, commodious building, and everything necessary to the publication of a first-elass journal. Good brick yards, hardware, grocery and dry goods stores, go to make a good business.

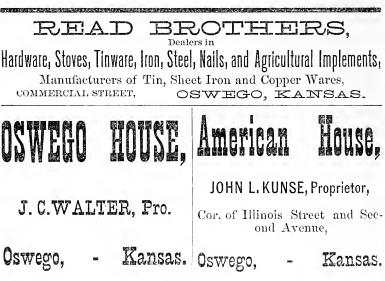
Land in the vicinity (in marketing distance) is worth \$4.50 to \$8 per acre for unimproved, and from \$7 to \$15 per acre for improved farms.

The citizens of Parsons invite an investigation of their advantages, and will give any inducement to actual settlers.

### OSWEGO, KANSAS.

This beautiful city is the county seat of Labette County, is located on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railroad, on the western bank of the Neosho river on an elevated piece of ground about 200 feet above the waters of the Neosho.

Oswego was located and organized in 1867, and has grown in size and importance very rapidly until now its estimated population is 2000. Its location, being on the M. K. & T. railway and on the Neosho river, makes it very advantageous for a commercial point, and being the seat of government for the county greatly facilitates growth and business. The railroad route surveyed from Cherokee on the Mo. R., Ft. Scott & Gulf R. R. to Park, runs



through Oswego, and there is now no doubt that the road will be speedily completed.

As a manufacturing point Oswego stands nnrivalled, and several fine Flouring and Saw mills are working evidences of the water power facilities.

#### IMPROVEMENTS, BUSINESS, &C.

The improvements of Oswego are of a substantial character and exhibit a determination to make business permanent.

There are now about 100 firms and individuals engaged in the different branches of trade and profession. (Among the four hotels in the city, the Oswego House, by J. C. Walter, is a model hotel in all its appointments, and its proprietor an affable genial landlord. Every accommodation will be found at this popular hotel as is also the case with the American House, by John L. Kunse, a house well worthy the public patronage and a home-like, comfortable place to stop. Read Brothers are among the live Stove and Hardware dealers, and have an excellent stock.) The several religious denominations are represented and several fine churches. The educational facilities are excellent, having now in operation several good public schools and one Collegiate Institute under charter.

#### THE SURROUNDING COUNTRY

Is a beautiful rolling prairie with a rich black soil very productive of all crops and easily tilled. Coal is abundant in the immediate vicinity and a plenty of timber and good rock supplies all demands for building material.

Every inducement is offered by the people of town ard country to new comers to come and settle, and a general invitation is extended to come and investigate her numerous advantages. Land in the vicinity is worth from three to ten dollars per acre for unimproved and from ten to twenty five dollars per acre for unimproved farms.

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Chetopa was located as a town in 1867 by Dr. George Lisle, Geo. Hanson and C. W. Doudna, and in 1868 the land now occupied by the town site was duly entered. In 1870 Chetopa was ineorporated as a city of the third class, and in 1871 re-incorporated as a city of the second class, having mayor and council. The original proprietors of the town, who constituted the town company,

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were Dr. Geo. Lisle, Col. W. Doudna, Col. N. S. Goss, Watson Stewart, Dr. J. B. Torbett, Geo. Hanson and John Secrest. During the first year of the organization as the town these enterprising gentlemen presented choice of lots to any persons who would erect buildings of a prescribed cheracter, and in this way a splendid class of improvements were at once secured.

#### GROWTH, IMPROVEMENTS, &C.

From the location of the town improvements went forward very rapidly, and in a remarkable short time became an excellent point for supplying a great scope of country. In June, 1870, the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railway was completed to this point, and remained the terminus for about a year. The divison houses of the road are located here. Since the completion of the railroad to this point there is not a city in the State that has had a more permanent growth and withall a very rapid one, being but three years old and containing 2500 inhabitants, with a full quota of business houses in all the numerous branches, having at this time (July 1871) one hundred and fifty seven firms and individuals engaged in business.

This city enjoys an excellent jobbing trade, supplying a great portion of the Indian Territory and Northern Texas and also an extensive point for trade in Texas and Cherokee cattle, having all facilities, being supplied with two good banks which meet all demands for exchange and negotiations.

#### MANUFACTORIES.

Chetopa enjoys extra manufacturing advantages. There are already established an extensive Planing mill (the most extensive in the State) with Furniture, Sash, Blind and Door Factory attached, with a capacity for working to advantage fifty hands. Two large Flouring Mills, one with a capacity of grinding 600 bushels of wheat per day. One Foundry and Machine Shop, owned and operated by John Tarrence, (who has facilities for easting iron house fronts, and all classes of light and heavy work). One good Brewery, one Agricultural Implement manufactory, two Saw Mills, three Wagon manufactories and one Pottery. The facilities for manufacturing are inexhaustible, having an abundance of good timber, coal and water, and every inducement will be given for the location of manufacturing establishments here. Good pine timber is abund ant fifty miles south of here and the railroad brings it direct to our door.

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#### RAILROADS.

In addition to the already completed M. K. & T. R. R., there are several projected routes. An extension of the Missouri River, Fort Scott & Gulf R. R. from Columbus to Chetopa seventeen miles which will be built the present season; and the Chetopa branch of the Atlantic and Pacific Railroad via Baxter Springs to Chetopa west on State line. These roads completed will make Chetopa one of the most desirable business points in the west.

#### SOCIETIES, SCHOOLS, CHURCHES, &C.

There is now one large frame building for a graded school, and two brick buildings will be completed the present season. There are four churches completed, all very substantial and ornamental buildings belonging respectively to the Baptists, Presbyterians, United Presbyterians and Methodists. The Catholics have funds and will creet a church the coming season.

The Masons and Odd Fellows have each a flourishing organization and are rapidly growing, each having a fine hall.

#### THE SURROUNDING COUNTRY

Is beautiful rolling prairie interspersed with a good growth of timber along the streams. The soil is a rich black loam, very deep and productive of all grains, fruits, &c. The country is generally quite thickly settled for many miles in every direction, nearly every quarter section of land being occupied by actual settlers.

As a stock country it cannot be surpassed, having everything necessary for raising stock at little cost. The Missouri, Kansas and Texas railway Company owns large bodies of lands convenient to the city which is offered at very low prices and upon the most reasonable terms.

#### MISCELLANEOUS.

Chetopa is destined to become a very important point in the great cattle trade, as a great deal of buying, selling and shipping is already done here.

Two Banks, (one by W. B. Ketcham & Co., the oldest banking house in the city, enterprising gentlemen enjoying a wide acquaintance and good banking facilities, and the Chetopa Savings Bank, just established with a capital of \$50,000,00, officered by Chas. H. Safford, Pres., S. F. Fisher, Sect. and Geo. S. Newman, Cashier,) render very excellent commercial facilities to drovers, cattle dealers and resident business firms and are a great inducement for the cs-

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Messrs. Clark & Furguson have a large and extensive stock of Drugs, Medicines, &c., and are jobbing a large amount of goods. (There are many live energetic firms engaged in the many branches of trade of whom we would like to speak but space forbids.

The central location of Chetopa is bound to build her up to a very prominent position as a jobbing point, and persons seeking investment or homes are cordially invited to visit Chetopa and note her numerons advantages.

Unimproved land is worth from four to five dollars per acre, and improved land from six to twenty dollars per acre, according to location and improvement.

#### STATIONS AND DISTANCES

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SEDALIA DIVISION, (From Sedalia to Parsons.)

Miles from Sedalia.	Stations.	Population.	Distance bet. Stations.
	Sedalia, Missouri.	6,000	
6 <del>1</del>	Keightley's, "		$6\frac{1}{2}$
$12\overline{4}$	Green Ridge, "		$5\frac{3}{4}$
$21^{\circ}$	Windsor, "	800	84
$28\frac{1}{2}$	Calhoun, "	600	$7\frac{1}{2}$
$32\frac{\overline{3}}{4}$	Lewis, "		$4\frac{1}{4}$
$39\frac{3}{4}$	Clinton, "	3,000	7
$52\frac{1}{2}$	Montrose, "	800	$12\frac{3}{4}$
$58\overline{1}$	AppletonCity,"	1,200	6
67	Roekville, "	152	$8\frac{1}{2}$
72	Schell City, "	150	5
$82\frac{1}{2}$	Walker's, "	100	101
90	Nevada, "	1,500	$7\frac{1}{2}$
$99\frac{1}{2}$	Deerfield, "		$9\frac{1}{2}$
110 <del>년</del>	Fort Scott, Kansas	. 6,000	11
$117\overline{\frac{1}{2}}$	Marmaton, "		7
$130\overline{\overline{4}}$	Hepler, "		7
$137^{-}$	Walnut, ".		$6\frac{1}{2}$
145	Osage Mission, "	1,500	ร้
159	Parsons, "	1,000	1-4

#### NEOSHO DIVISION, (From Junction City to Parsons.)

Miles from Junc- tion City.	Stations.		Population.	Distance bet. Stations.
	Junction City, I	Ťan	sas.	
13	Skiddy,	ζ.		13
24	Parkerville,	14	250	11
363	Council Grove,	((	1,000	$12\frac{3}{4}$
$44\frac{3}{4}$	Rock Creek,	4		43
$52 \frac{1}{2}$	Americus,	ډ.	100	8
61	Emporia,	ډ.	3,500	81
69	Neosho Rapids.	٤.		8 <u>1</u> 73
75	Hartford,	••		6
891	Burlington.	ι.	1,200	$6\frac{1}{4}$
1001	Leroy,		600	111
$106 frac{3}{2}$	Neosho Falls,	٤.	800	$6\frac{1}{4}$
$121\frac{1}{4}$	Humboldt,	4.	1,800	141
$130\frac{1}{3}$	New Chicago,	••	1,500	
1381	Austin,	44		9 <u>5</u> 71
1451	Galesburg,	4.	100	7
$151\frac{1}{4}$	Ladore,	٤.	100	63
$156\frac{1}{4}$	Parsons,	ς.	1,000	5

CHEROKEE DIVISION, (From Parsons to Fort Gibson.)

Miles from Parsons.	Stations.	Population.	Distance bet. Stations.
	Parsons, Kansas.	1,000	
$8_{4}^{3}$	Labette City, "	100	$8\frac{3}{4}$
$14\frac{1}{4}$	Oswego, "	2,000	5불
$23\frac{1}{2}$	Chetopa, "	2.500	$9\frac{1}{4}$
$26\frac{1}{2}$	1st Siding, Indian	Ter.	3
$38\frac{1}{4}$	Blue Jacket, "		$11\frac{3}{4}$
$53\frac{3}{4}$	Big Cabin, "		$15\frac{1}{2}$
$123\frac{3}{4}$	Fort Gibson, "	800	70

#### OSAGE DIVISION, (From Holden to Harrisonville.)

Miles from Holden.	Stations.	Population.	Distance bet. Stations,
	Holden, Missouri.	2.500	
8	Benton, "		8
14늘	East Lynn, "		$6\frac{1}{2}$
21	Harrisonville,"	1,500	6늘

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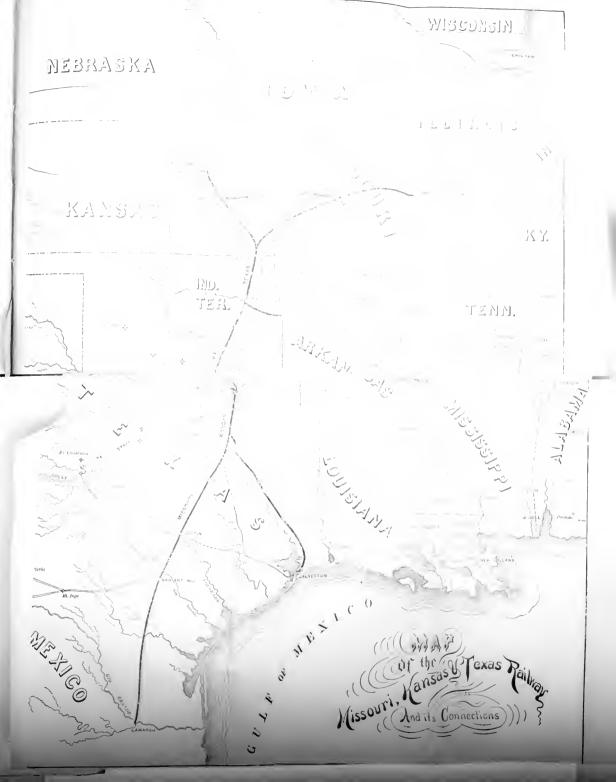
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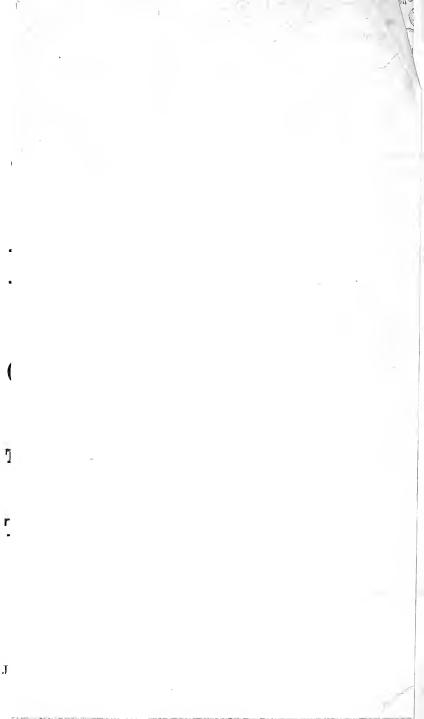
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