

The Bloomfield Times.

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FARM AND HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

We invite communications from all persons who are interested in matters properly belonging to this department.

For The Bloomfield Times. Letters Descriptive of Kansas—Its Climate, Productions, &c.

[Continued from last week.] I will next say a little about the water for household purposes. This article is nearly everywhere cold, clear, and good in taste. It can, in nearly every community of Eastern and Middle Kansas, be obtained by digging from fifteen to forty feet. There are some springs there, but they are not one-fifth as numerous as in the Keystone State. The timber is tolerably scarce, but had it not been for the numerous fires, it would be much plentier. Where these have ceased, a new growth of timber is springing up. Taking this in connection with the fact that a great amount of it will be cultivated, we are safe in saying that there will be an abundance of it in less than twenty-five years. The following probably embraces the principal varieties of trees: Black-jack, white oak, red oak, burr oak, black oak, water oak, white or American elm, red or slippery elm, black walnut, white walnut, cottonwood, box elder, blackberry, honey locust, willow, shell-bark hickory, pignut hickory, pecan hickory, sycamore, white ash, sugar maple, red mulberry, linden, crabapple, wild cherry, and coffee tree. These are the chief varieties of shrubs and vines, viz.: Elder, sumac, greenbrier, gooseberry, hazel, pawpaw, prickly ash, raspberry, blackberry, prairie rose, grape, two or three varieties. It is very well adapted for stock-raising. Plenty of grass decays every Fall and Winter to support many thousand more cattle, horses, mules, and sheep, every year in addition to the number already. These can be improved to a condition suitable for market at comparatively little expense. All these animals thrive well in that country. The native grains are excellent for the purposes referred to. The staple crops are: corn, wheat, rye, oats, barley, buckwheat, sorghum, Hungarian grass, potatoes, and all varieties of garden vegetables grow with luxuriance, and commonly ripen large crops. Hemp and flax also do pretty well. Small crops of cotton have also been raised. Winter wheat does well. As much as upwards of thirty bushels to the acre have been produced. The improved varieties of apples, pears, peaches, cherries, and grapes usually cultivated in the West do well. The small fruits, such as currants, gooseberries, and strawberries are also cultivated with admirable success. The climate is that of Southern and Central Missouri, of Kentucky and Virginia. The winters are usually short and cold, especially those of Southern Kansas. This State is liable to great and sudden changes of heat and cold, but this is true to a greater or less extent, of the whole interior or valley of North America. This is probably due, in great part, to the winds. These, on account of the great influence upon temperature by the large and lofty mountain chains West of it are liable to great variations in short spaces of time. The entire absence of mountains, and the fact that timber is tolerable scarce in many parts, account for the average force of the wind being greater than that of most of the States East of the Mississippi. They are also more constant; some may infer from this, that many people suffer greatly from diseases of the respiratory organs, such as inflammation of the lungs. But, although these ailments prevail to some extent in Winter, they are not more prevalent than in other portions of the Mississippi Valley. The prevailing winds in the summer are from the South-west, South, and South-east. A continuous wind for three days in succession is almost invariably followed by rain. For the Eastern half of the State, the amount of rain, except for the Winter, is fully equal to that of Pennsylvania or New York. The North-west wind is a dry one, and the atmosphere is usually essentially pure. It has been discovered that moisture, either in the soil or air, has a hidden influence in developing consumption. It has been known for a long time that certain localities, prominent among which are regions far North, and the elevated regions of the Rocky Mountains are remarkably exempt from that disease; therefore the natural inference is, that a dry, cold atmosphere is a preventive of it. Kansas has a pure, dry atmosphere, and, in this respect, more favorably circumstanced for preventing the development of that disease than any portion of the "Great Valley," East of the 94th Meridian, and South of the 45th parallel of North latitude. It is, in short, a healthy State, and bears a favorable comparison in this respect to any of Middle States.

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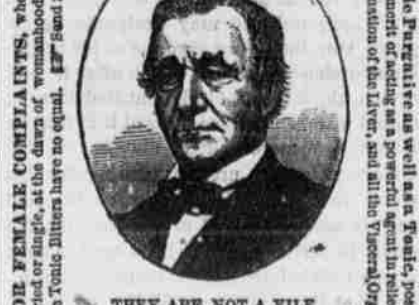
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