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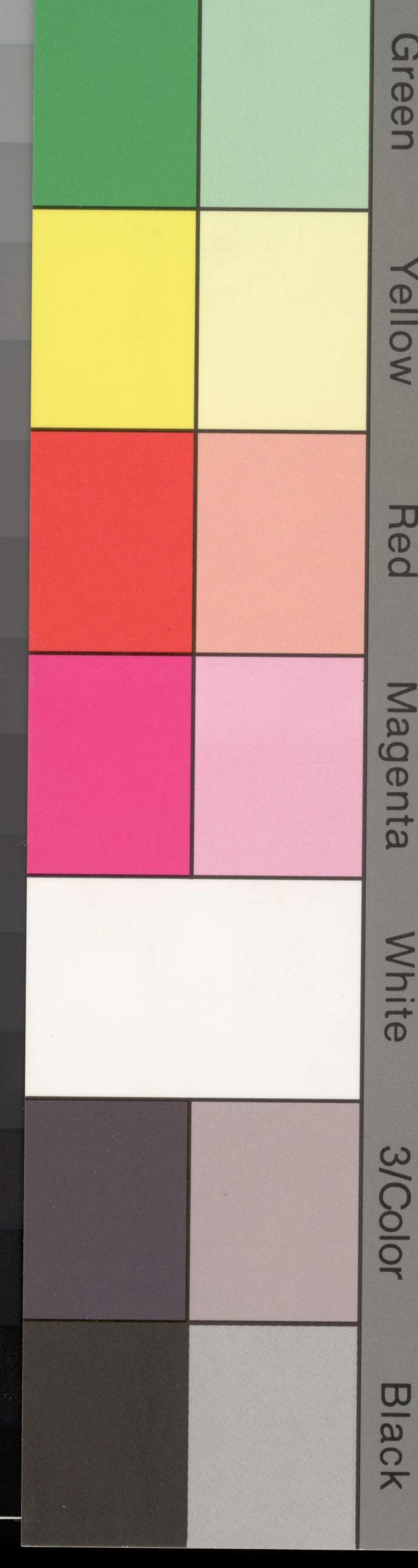
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number of inhabitants. Reports from the gold mines, all concur in saying that among the miners sickness is literally unknown.

LAND DISTRICTS.

The Territory is divided into four Land Districts, for the preëmption and sale of government land, called the Delaware, Pawnee, Osage, and Western District. Each District has its office and officers. The Delaware District is bounded north by the Kansas and Nebraska line, east by the Missouri river, south by the Kansas river, and west by the guide meridian east of the sixth principal meridian. The land office for the district is at Kickapoo. J. W. Whitfield, Register; Daniel Woodson, Receiver. This district comprises all the territory bordering on the Missouri river, and includes most of the wealthiest counties, and those first settled. Many of the finest lands may be found within its limits, particularly in the middle and western portions. Much of the land in the eastern portion is broken and hilly, and intrinsically not of so great value as many others, but from its proximity to the Missouri river and populous towns, it is rated very high. This district is watered by the Big Stranger, Grasshopper, Soldier creek, and an immense number of smaller creeks. Coal has been found in different localities. The mines near Leavenworth city are the only ones worked successfully. These mines are situated three miles west of the city, and furnish ample supplies of coal, at a price less than the cost of wood. There is but little doubt that the bluffs in the vicinity are full of coal, and will supply any ordinary demand.



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