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About twelve thousand preëmption claims in the district, of which about four thousand are preëmpted and paid for, about fifteen hundred are claimed and filed upon, the remainder are open for claimants.

The Pawnee District is bounded north by the Kansas river, east by the Missouri State line, south by the line between townships 22 and 23, and west by the guide meridian east of the sixth principal meridian. The land office for this district is at Lecompton. Ely Moore, Register; Wm. Brindle, Receiver. This district comprises much of the most valuable portion of Kansas, intrinsically considered. It is watered by the Wakarusa, Osage and Neosho rivers, and their numerous tributaries, which afford ample supplies of water and timber, while in their valleys are found some of the finest land in the world. It is traversed throughout its entire length by the great Santa Fe road, one of the best natural thoroughfares on the continent. There is little or no land in this district unfit for cultivation, while their peculiar location geographically, will render them eventually the most valuable of any lands in the Territory. The central and western portions abound in coal, while iron ore and lead have been discovered in some places. The southern portion of this district, and the northern portion of the Osage district, is familiarly termed "Southern Kansas." Much of the emigration of 1858 went into this region, and it is destined to be the Garden of the Territory. A large portion of this district is preëmpted or claimed, but many fine prairie claims may yet be secured, particularly in the western part of the district.

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