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souri river, at St. Joseph, Mo., opposite Elwood, K. T., and is the first rail road connecting the Missouri and Mississippi rivers. The enterprising people of Atchison, K. T., have projected and partially graded a road bed from St. Joseph to Winthrop, Mo., opposite Atchison, K. T., and with the aid of the Hannibal and St. Joseph Rail Road Company, will undoubtedly have the track laid and the road equipped in the course of the present year, and will then be able to share the benefits of the traffic of the main trunk with St. Joseph and Elwood, K. T. Leavenworth City, K. T., has in contemplation the construction of a rail road from some point on the Hannibal and St. Joseph Rail Road, via Platte City, Mo., to the Missouri river, opposite Leavenworth City. This road, if completed, would place Leavenworth within an hour's ride of the Hannibal and St. Joseph junction. The city proposes to subscribe \$300,000 toward the construction of this rail road, and can well afford to do so, as it is a question of vital importance to every citizen of the place, and one which that fast-growing metropolis will undoubtedly soon settle to its own immense, ultimate advantage.

Earnest and well directed efforts are also being made in behalf of the Parkville and Grand River Rail Road, which when built will connect the Missouri river at Parkville with the Hannibal and St. Joseph Rail Road at Cameron, some 45 miles from Parkville. Instrumental surveys have been made, and it is proposed to locate and contract a portion of the road the coming spring. A large amount of stock has been subscribed along the line, and the friends of the road regard its

