tion is here found admirably exemplified; for the under-supply of wood for fuel is more than made good by the vast coal deposites known to exist in the Territory—the under-supply of timber for building purposes is made good by the abundance of lime and clay—the deficiency of fencing by suitable material for walls; and in a few years by cultivating the Osage Orange, which will grow luxuriantly, hedges will supersede the necessity of any other means for forming inclosures. Though timber, to a person from a lumber region, would seem scarce, the scarcity is not one that will necessarily be constantly on the increase, as settlements multiply, and the lands are reclaimed from their present state; inasmuch as the limited growth arises, not from uncongeniality of climate, unsuitableness of soil, or absence of seed, but from the frequent prevalence, year after year, of vast prairie fires that sweep every thing before them, and thus stint, or entirely prevent the growth of tree or shrub. Arrest the fires, and woodlands will soon abound. Small, however, as the proportion of woodland is now said to be, one of the Company's Agents, a few months since, contracted for 600 cords of standing wood at 25 cents per cord, and 600 logs of timber at 50 cents per log, the logs averaging half a thousand each. About half of the quantity is now cut, and yet there is no perceptible diminution or thinning out of trees. The principal varieties of wood are bass or linwood, cottonwood, hickory, oak, black walnut, ash, sycamore, hackberry, &c.

WEATHER.—There has been no necessary suffering the past or present season, from inclemency of the weather at Lawrence. The Governor states that, the last of December a fire was unnecessary; and a resident at the Company's Settlement writes that "on the 27th of December, mechanics and others were comfortably at work in the open air without their coats," whilst the few idlers were "basking in the sun like snakes in June." There has not been, however, an entire freedom from cold and stormy weather. Up to the close