

S. W. direction from Lawrence and is on an air line with Chicago, Keokuk on the Mississippi, Delaware City on the Missouri, and Lawrence on the Kansas. The Country is bounded by the Sac and Fox Reservation on the East, and the Kaw Reservation on the West. The route from Lawrence is by the way of Bloomington, One Hundred and Ten, and Council City." From the first named place, by this route, it is between 70 and 80 miles, from the last mentioned between 30 and 40 miles.

In the vicinity of Boonville, is another strong Free State settlement. Six miles below Boonville is—

HAMPDEN.—This is situated sixty-five miles southwest of Lawrence, on the east side of the Neosho river, near the great crossing of the Indian trail, which leads south from Fort Leavenworth, and extends across Wolf Creek. It was first "settled upon" by a company of ninety individuals, chiefly from Hampden Co., Mass.; hence its name. They commenced operations on the 27th. of April, 1855.

Persons who may be going there without a guide, if direct from a Missouri river landing, should strike the Santa Fé road to Black Jack, thence go to the Sac Agency, and from thence, by the head of South Wolf Creek, continuing about four miles southwestwardly, and afterwards more west of south, to the point of destination.

If starting from Lawrence, proceed to the Sac Agency, and thence onward as before.

Active preparations are here being made for the reception of new comers.

BURLINGTON.—This has recently been laid out near Hampden, by some citizens of Lawrence, who have put up a steam mill and contracted for a hotel. The town has a public square and lots for churches and schools. The company will give lots to mechanics who will build, and tradesmen who will start business there.

NEOSHO CITY.—This is situated still further south,