

spontaneous products here; last though not least, but more abundant than all others, is the plum, nearly equal in size to a small bird's egg, and not inferior in flavor to most of the domestic plums; in their season they may be gathered by cart loads.

"Its people, in character, would not suffer by comparison with the other communities in respect to intellectual and moral worth, habits of industry, energy, and economy.

"When the town interests are put into the market, and their real value duly appreciated, there can be no doubt but that they will sell quick and to good advantage. In a country like this it is the farming interest mainly, that must build up the town.

"All around Brownville there is land of the most productive type, much of which is already claimed and improved. Soon the residue will be taken, we hope by men of the right stamp; and when all the land around the town is settled and improved by energetic, economical farmers, the town will grow up without fail."

The Association has set apart ten shares of stock, the proceeds of which are to be appropriated to educational purposes; and any person disposed to favor this laudable object, and at the same time make a small investment, with a fair prospect of its proving remunerative, can do so by purchasing one or more of the above shares, which can be had for \$150 each. From the writer's personal knowledge of the President of this Association, who is noted for his energy, industry, and sound principles, he has reason to believe the town will thrive.

SUGAR CREEKS.—On these the Free State men are making settlements. There is a steam Saw Mill on Little Sugar Creek, which is operated by means of coal procured from a bed near by, $2\frac{1}{2}$ feet thick. At the mouth of Big Sugar Creek, on the Osage, is a fine township of timber, which is in process of being improved.

MILLARD.—The site of Millard was selected by a Company belonging in Cincinnati, Ohio, and named in honor of Captain David Millard, one of the early steamboat pioneers, who explored and ascended the River with the Steamer "Hartford," in the summer of 1855.

It is situated upon a gentle slope in the forks of the Kansas river, adjoining the United States Military Reservation, near Fort Riley, in the midst of a beau-