

ciates Dr. Hunting, Messrs. Pifer and Thurston, the Rev. Messrs. Dennison, Blood, Lovejoy and others, this Place cannot but prove prosperous.

HAMPDEN.—This is situated fifty miles due South of Lawrence, on the Neosho river, near the great crossing of the Indian trail, which leads S. from Fort Leavenworth, and extends across to 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. One of the residents, under date of July 18th. says: "I have a store where I keep most of the necessaries of life, for sale at fair prices. I have ox-teams leaving here every Monday for Kansas City, and also returning leave Kansas every Monday, carrying freight for \$1,25 pr. hundred, and passengers for \$5, including board. We have good covered waggons, and furnish camp utensils, provisions and blankets, and shall try to make travellers as comfortable as possible. The teams always carry the mails with them. Passengers wishing to come will do well to apply Saturday morning, as the teams will usually leave Kansas City on Saturday, and come out in the evening on to the Prairie, and there spend the Sabbath. We feel great need of a Physician. We have the gospel preached to us, and our people in general feel quite contented, and would not leave Hampden for any other place in the world."

Persons who may be going there without a guide, should take the Santa Fe road to Black Jack, thence to the General Agency, and from there by the head of Long Creek to the point of destination.

The Company originally selected a site one mile wide, and two long, on the high lands between the Neosho river and Wolf creek, for a town; around this is located a township six miles square, through the entire length of which the streams above mentioned pass, on their way to the Arkansas.

At this Settlement an excellent Saw-mill has recently been erected of a sufficient capacity to furnish all the lumber at present required.