

OSAWATOMIE.—This town “is situated upon the Osage river, about one hundred miles from its source, in the midst of a growing country, unequalled in the character of its soil and climate—is connected with Kansas City, Mo., by two excellent lines of stages, and at high water with St. Louis by the river. Possessing a steam Saw Mill, lately erected at the cost of \$12,000, and with other improvements of a similar nature in progress, this town seems to be the centre around which the wealth and energy of that section is gathering.”

The site was selected by Samuel C. Pomeroy, Esq., in 1855; it was surveyed and platted by A. D. Searl, of Lawrence, and under the judicious management of O. C. Brown, who has the spirit of go-ahead-iveness largely developed, it is rapidly increasing in size, numbers, and influence. A newspaper is about being published, and an Academy for teaching the ordinary, the higher, and the ornamental branches of Education will soon be established there. It has a good house of entertainment, the best as regards “comforts” in the Territory; a blacksmith’s shop, and several stores. It is in a section that is said to be more heavily timbered than any other in the Territory. In addition to the ordinary forest trees, red cedar and sugar maple are here found.

It is located in the forks of the Osage, between the Marais de Cygnes and the Potawatomie branches. It is 50 miles from Kansas City, Mo., and the same distance from Lawrence, K. T.; the three places forming a triangle.

The name is Yankee Indian, derived from Osage and Potawatomie. A writer under the signature of Old Settler, says: “this Place is located on the Osage, one mile above its junction with Potawatomie creek. For three miles their course is but about one mile apart, and the divide gets up so high as to overlook the heavily timbered bottoms of the two rivers and their branches. Upon this high Prairie, skirted on each side with oak openings and ridges, lies half of the town site

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