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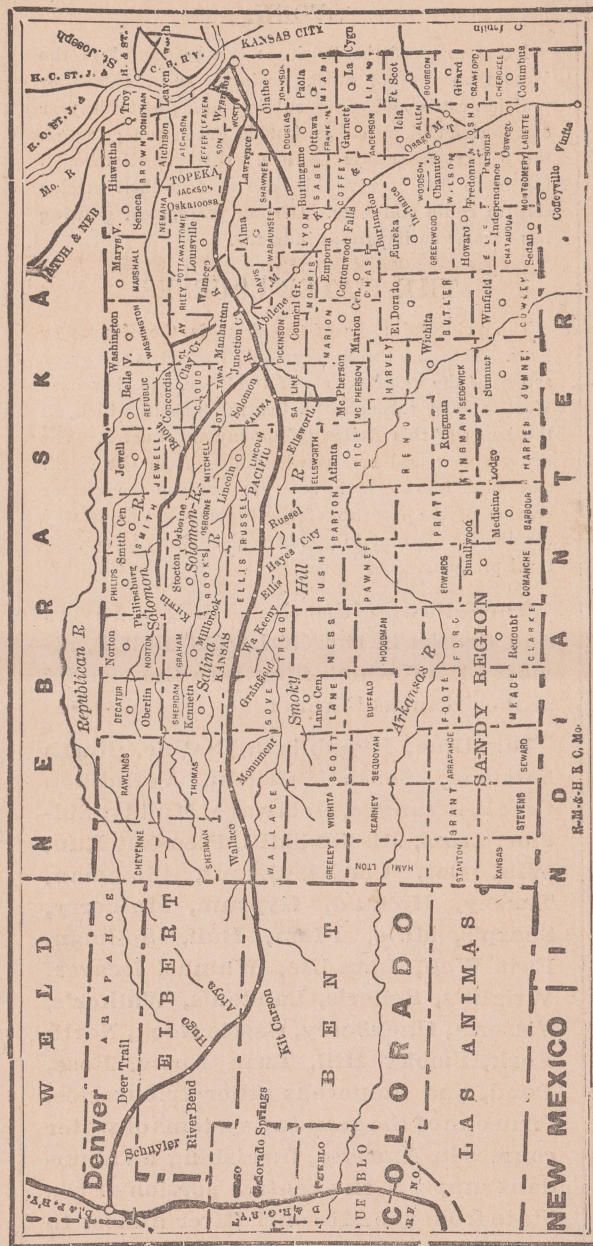
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ROUND TRIP LAND EXPLORERS' TICKETS

To these Lands are for sale by the Principal Railroad Companies.

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THE IMMIGRANTS' GUIDE TO THE MOST FERTILE LANDS OF KANSAS

The best part of the West in which

To buy a Grain Farm,
To buy a Stock Farm,
To buy a Sheep Ranch,
To open a Store, or
To practice a Profession.

Multitudes in the older States can improve their condition by selling out and emigrating to these fertile fields, which can be purchased at \$2.50 to \$6.00 an acre on eleven years credit.

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WHY IT IS THE CHOICEST LAND.

As would naturally be expected from men of experience and ability, having the first land grant in the State, and therefore the choice of lands, the projectors of the Kansas Pacific Railway, after a careful and thorough examination of the various lines which were deemed feasible, selected the one running westward through the central portion of the State, along the north banks of the Kansas and Smoky Hill Rivers, through a limestone region of unexcelled, if not unequalled, fertility, embracing the very best and most desirable lands in the State, and termed years afterward, by a writer in the *New York Herald*.

THE GOLDEN GRAIN BELT,

A title which is shown to have been aptly applied, by the great Kansas harvests as they are successively garnered.

COAL.

Bituminous coal abounds in the Eastern part of Kansas, and costs at the mines from 3 cents to 12½ cents per bushel.

Lignite coal of superior quality is found in Pottawatomie, Wabaunsee, Davis, Ottawa, Lincoln, Ellsworth, Russell, Ellis and Trego counties.

In no other land grant in a sparsely timbered country are settlers so secure on the fuel question.

MAGNESIAN LIMESTONE

of a fine quality is found in abundance in Ellsworth, Russell, Ellis, Trego and Gove counties. A large block of stores, the fine school house, a number of dwelling-houses in Russell and the railroad hotel at Ellis are built of it. A peculiarity of this stone is, that when recently taken from the quarry it may be as easily sawed as pine, and yet exposure hardens and renders it very durable.

CHURCHES AND SCHOOLS.

Every village has commodious churches and every school district comfortable school-houses. In each of the larger villages there is a graded school. No State in the Union, of its age, pays so much attention to the education of the young. Along the line of this road there are four denominational colleges, the State University and the State Agricultural College.

STOCK.

No more profitable business can be named in the West than that of Stock raising. On the frontier prairies, cattle and sheep subsist throughout the year on the rich and nutritious buffalo grass, and go fat on the market from this pasture. Farmers all through the State find it advisable also to feed their surplus corn to cattle and hogs. Of late years, wool growing has become an important industry.

THE WATER COURSES.

The principal river of the State is the Kansas or Kaw. This and the Smoky Hill River form the great artery of the water system of the State, and flow from West to East through the Central Belt, in which all the lands of this Railway Company are situated. The many rivers and creeks which flow from the North and South into the main artery, constitute the greater portion of the streams of the State, and this is why the district referred to yields so abundantly in agricultural products.

The following are the principal Rivers and Creeks in the GOLDEN BELT, almost all of which flow into the Smoky Hill or Kansas Rivers :

Big Blue, Republican, Saline, North Solomon, South Solomon, Vermillion Creek, Stranger, Delaware, Muddy, Soldier, Cross, Mission, Mill, Pleasant Run, Wild Cat, Clarks, Lyons, Chapman, Turkey, Holland, Gypsum, Mulberry, Sharp's, Mule, Plum, Bull, Spilman, East Wolf, Paradise, Walnut, Beaver, Wright's, Seller's, Landon's, Walker's, Victoria, Hackberry, Castle Rock, North Fork, Smoky Hill, Twin Butte, Rose, Pond, and numerous other tributaries, form one of the grandest systems of water courses in America, furnishing an abundant supply to the central portion of the State from the Missouri River almost to the Western limit of the State.

KANSAS IN A NUTSHELL.

There are 276 newspapers published in Kansas.

Kansas has a permanent School Fund of nearly two million dollars.

Kansas has 3,103 miles of railroads, 611 of which were constructed in 1879.

Water is abundant and can be obtained in wells at depths varying from 15 to 60 feet.

Along the line of this road, in the Golden Belt, there are 76 grain elevators between Kansas City and Ellis.

Wool growers and cattle raisers in Kansas realize marvelous returns with a very low percentage of possible loss.

The total value of Live Stock in Kansas, in 1879, was \$54,705,497, an increase over the valuation in 1878 of \$8,532,548.50.

Kansas is the peerless agricultural commonwealth, and the Golden Belt is her richest, most productive and most prosperous section.

Kansas now has a population of one million. Twenty-five years ago the territory embraced by the State had a population of 8,601.

Stock subsists on the western prairies throughout the winter without other food than the nutritious buffalo grass cured on the ground.

The latitude of Kansas is favorable to mildness of climate. The Golden Belt occupies the territory included between the 38th and 39th parallels.

The population of Kansas last year was increased 144,097, chiefly by immigration. Nearly 55 per cent. of this increase is credited to the Golden Belt. The population of the State is now nearly one million.

The Golden Belt has produced 45 per cent. of the entire wheat yield of the State.

The altitude of the Golden Belt is conducive to health, varying from 648 feet at State Line to 1800 feet at Grainfield, thus lifting its favored inhabitants above the malaria of the Mississippi and Arkansas Valleys.

In the counties along the line of the Kansas Division of the Union Pacific Railway there are no less than 38,452 acres of orchards, vineyards and nurseries under cultivation. Kansas fruit leads the world in quality.