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NEWSPAPERS.

The *Eureka Herald* (Republican). Z. Harlan, editor, publisher, and proprietor, Eureka.

The *Greenwood County Republican*, daily and weekly (Republican). W. E. Doud, editor and proprietor, Eureka.

Democratic Messenger (Democratic). T. W. Morgan, editor; Morgan & Stillwell, publishers, Eureka.

The *Madison News* (Republican). W. O. and V. E. Lunsford, editors and proprietors, Madison.

The *Severy Record* (Republican). H. W. Bailey, editor; Geo. H. Doud, business manager; Doud & Bailey, proprietors, Severy.

The *Kansas Clipper* (Democratic). B. F. Blankenship, editor and proprietor, Severy.

The *Saturday Morning Sun* (Neutral). J. H. Morse, editor and proprietor, Fall River.

Fall River Times (Union Labor). J. A. Somerby, editor, Fall River.

BANKS IN COUNTY.

NAME OF BANK.	President.	Cashier.	Post-office address.	Paid-up capital.	Surplus.
Eureka Bank.....	Martindale, Tucker & Co.	Edwin Tucker ..	Eureka	\$34,000	\$68,000
First National Bank...	Daniel Bitler	J. C. Nye	Eureka	70,000	10,000
Bank of Fall River....	W. McBrown	S. H. Butler.....	Fall River ..	24,000	500
Madison Bank.....	A. F. Crowe	C. T. Cavaness ..	Madison	17,820	4,600
Bank of Severy.....	S. C. Marshall	W. M. Marshall ..	Severy.....	10,000	.....

List of county officers for 1888, with post-office address of each.

Officer.	Name.	Post-office address.
County Clerk.....	J. W. Kenner.....	Eureka.
Treasurer.....	J. E. Rossel.....	Eureka.
Sheriff.....	Cy. Brookover.....	Eureka.
Clerk District Court	N. S. Robertson.....	Eureka.
Probate Judge.....	F. C. Lamb.....	Eureka.
Register of Deeds.....	T. E. Dittmore.....	Eureka.
Attorney.....	A. M. Hunter.....	Eureka.
Superintendent of Schools.....	G. W. Kendrick.....	Eureka.
Surveyor.....	J. C. Knudsen	Eureka.
Coroner.....	J. B. Pierce.....	Eureka.
Commissioners	W. S. Bitler.....	Madison.
	D. E. Miles.....	Eureka.
	F. J. Benest	Eureka.

POST OFFICES.

Carrol, Climax, Derry, EUREKA (C. H.), Fall River, Fame, Flint Ridge, Hamilton, Hickman,	Hilltop, Ivanpah, Lamont, Lapland, Madison, Neal, Piedmont, Quincy, Reece,	Ruweda, Severy, Thrall, Tonovay, Twin Falls, Utopia, Virgil.
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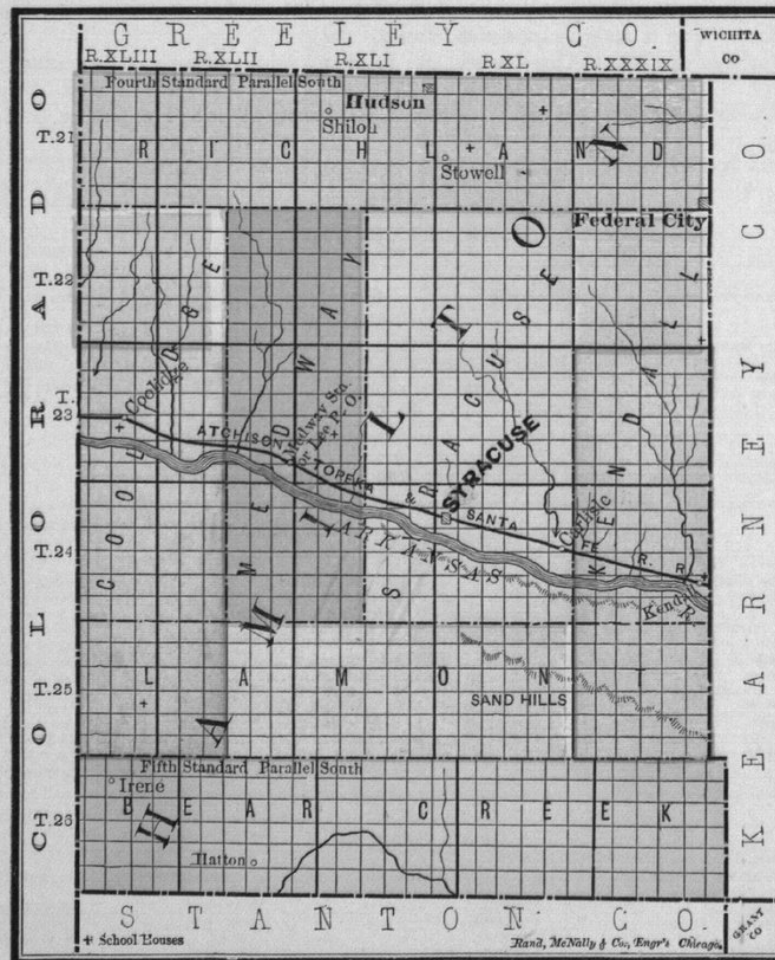
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HAMILTON COUNTY.

Was organized in 1886, with an area of 2,364 square miles, but by an Act of the Legislature, in 1887, portions were taken from it to assist in creating the new counties of Grant, Kearney, and Stanton, reducing its area to 972 square miles.

MAP OF HAMILTON COUNTY, KANSAS, 1888.



It borders on the State of Colorado on the west, and is the third county north of the Indian Territory. It has a population of 1,780, and ranks as the one hundred and fifth county in the State, having a density of 1.83 inhabitants to the square mile. The town of Syracuse, on the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad, very near the center, is the county seat.

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POPULATION.

TABLE showing total population, by townships and cities, for 1888.

TOWNSHIPS AND CITIES.	Population.
	1888.
The county.....	1,780
Beaver Creek township.....	356
Lamont township.....	291
Richland township.....	383
Syracuse city.....	366
Syracuse township.....	384

FARM AND CROP STATISTICS.

TABLE showing acres, product, and value of field crops in the county for the year 1888.

* CROPS.	1888.		
	Acres.	Product.	Value.
Winter wheat.....bu.	35	350	\$ 280 00
Rye.....bu.	88	880	528 00
Spring wheat.....bu.	5,756	57,560	24,175 20
Corn.....bu.	514	5 140	1,385 00
Barley.....bu.	145	5,800	4,350 00
Oats.....bu.	19	950	950 00
Buckwheat.....bu.	1,905	150	11,430 00
Irish potatoes.....bu.	30	150	150 00
Sweet potatoes.....bu.	20	6,000	480 00
Sorghum.....bu.			
Castor beans.....lbs.			
Cotton.....bu.			
Flax.....lbs.			
Hemp.....lbs.	548	219,200	7,672 00
Tobacco.....lbs.	1,278	2,556	10,224 00
Broom corn.....tons	8		
Millet and Hungarian.....tons	47		
Timothy.....tons		+ 184	1,104 00
Clover.....tons	122		
Orchard grass.....tons	2 638	1,773	3,546 00
Blue grass.....tons			
Other tame grasses.....tons			
Prairie, under fence.....			
Total.....	13,173		\$66,174 20

* No return for 1887. + Product of 1887.

LIVE STOCK.

TABLE showing the number, value, and mortality of live stock for 1888.

* LIVE STOCK.	1888.		
	No.	Value.	Mor- tality.
Horses.....	515	\$46,350 00	24
Mules and asses.....	138	13,800 00	
Milch cows.....	520	10,400 00	20
Other cattle.....	1,219	24,380 00	104
Sheep.....	31	62 00	+ 100
Swine.....	101	808 00	1
Total.....	2,524	\$95,500 00	249

Herd law, in force.

* No returns for 1887. + Including the number of head killed by dogs.
Number of dogs in county, March 1, 1888, 166.



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Bottom-lands are from two to four miles wide along the Arkansas river, but the timber is confined to a few specimens of cottonwood along the valleys of the streams. The Arkansas river, having a few small tributaries from the north, enters the

SUMMARY

SHOWING the amount and value of farm products for the year ending March 1, 1888.

PRODUCTS.	1888.	
	Amount.	Value.
Field crops		
Animals slaughtered and sold for slaughter	13,173	\$66,174 20
Value of the increase in live stock		1,386 00
Wool clip		95,800 00
Butter	2,300	414 00
Cheese	9,015	1,171 95
Honey and bees-wax		
Milk sold		
Horticultural products marketed		1,405 00
Wine manufactured		476 00
Garden products marketed		
Poultry and eggs sold		870 00
Wood marketed		484 00
Total		\$168,181 15

RANK OF COUNTY in population for 1887 and 1888, and assessed valuation, total value of farm products, acreage of wheat and corn, and the number of live stock named below, for the year 1888.

YEARS.	Popu- lation.	Assess- ed val- uation.	Value of farm products.	Wheat, acres.	Corn, acres.	Horses and mules.	Cattle.	Sheep.	Swine.
1887	101								
1888	106	74	103	103	103	105	101	100	105

* HORTICULTURE, ETC.

FRUIT TREES.		1888.	SMALL FRUITS—ACRES.		1888.
<i>Number of trees in bearing.</i>					
Apple	563		Raspberries		2
Pear	8		Blackberries		
Peach	574		Strawberries		
Plum	35		Total		2
Cherry	62				
Total	1,242		ARTIFICIAL FOREST.		1888.
<i>Number not in bearing.</i>			<i>Acres of trees one year old and over.</i>		
Apple	1,986		Walnut		26
Pear	112		Maple		369
Peach	2,732		Honey locust		3
Plum	321		Cottonwood		760
Cherry	533		Other varieties		232
Total	5,684		Total		1,390
			Acres in nurseries		
			Acres in vineyards		

* No return for 1887.

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county over the Colorado border, sixteen and one-half miles south of the north-western corner. The northern portion of the county is generally level; the southern a rolling prairie.

CHURCHES.

TABLE showing the number of church organizations, aggregate membership, number of church edifices, and the value of church property in the county, belonging to the denominations named, for 1888.

DENOMINATIONS.	No. of church organizations.	Aggregate membership.	No. of church edifices.	Value of church property.
Baptist	2	24	.....	.....
Christian	1	36	.....	.....
Friends	1	165	.....	.....
Lutheran	1	8	.....	.....
Methodist Episcopal	3	312	2	\$4,000
Presbyterian	3	80	.....	.....
Roman Catholic	2	100	.....	.....
Total	13	725	2	\$4,000

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Number of organized districts, 31; school population for 1888, 714. Average monthly wages paid teachers: Males, \$40; females, \$29. Total value of school property in the county, \$19,980.

NEWSPAPERS.

The *Syracuse Journal* (Republican). H. N. Lester, editor; G. W. Reed, business manager; Journal Publishing Company, publishers, Syracuse.

Syracuse Sentinel (Republican). Will C. Higgins and Ed. V. Higgins, managing editors and proprietors; Sentinel Company, publishers, Syracuse.

The *Syracuse Globe Democrat* (Democratic). A. C. McQuarrie, editor and publisher, Syracuse.

The *Democratic Principle* (Democratic). F. M. Dunlavy, editor and proprietor; T. S. Hurd, associate editor, Syracuse.

The *Kendall Boomer* (Democratic). Henry Block, editor, publisher, and proprietor, Kendall.

The *Coolidge Citizen* (Republican). O. H. Knight and J. H. Borders, editors and proprietors; Citizen Publishing Co., publishers, Coolidge.

The *Coolidge Times* (Democratic). K. V. Snorf, editor, publisher, and proprietor, Coolidge.

LIST of county officers for 1888, with post-office address of each.

Officer.	Name.	Post-office address.
County Clerk	Thomas H. Ford	Syracuse.
Treasurer	W. F. Reed	Syracuse.
Sheriff	A. M. Huffman	Syracuse.
Clerk District Court	W. P. Humphrey	Syracuse.
Probate Judge	F. M. Dunlavy	Syracuse.
Register of Deeds	George W. Reed	Syracuse.
Attorney	George Getty	Syracuse.
Superintendent of Schools	Miss Lizzie Culver	Syracuse.
Surveyor	D. E. Hogbin	Kendall.
Coroner	J. E. Spencer	Kendall.
Commissioners	W. N. Willis	Syracuse.
	L. A. McLachlin	Syracuse.
	D. M. Laremore	Syracuse.

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White magnesian limestone is found in large quantities in the bluffs along the entire course of the Arkansas river. Gypsum, in limited quantities, has been discovered.

BANKS IN COUNTY.

NAME OF BANK.	President.	Cashier.	Post-office address.	Paid-up capital.	Surplus.
Coolidge State Bank.....	H. P. Myton.....	Joe H. Borders...	Coolidge....	\$ 5,000	\$5,000
Bank of Syracuse.....	W. F. Reed & Co..	W. F. Reed.....	Syracuse...	25,000	.....

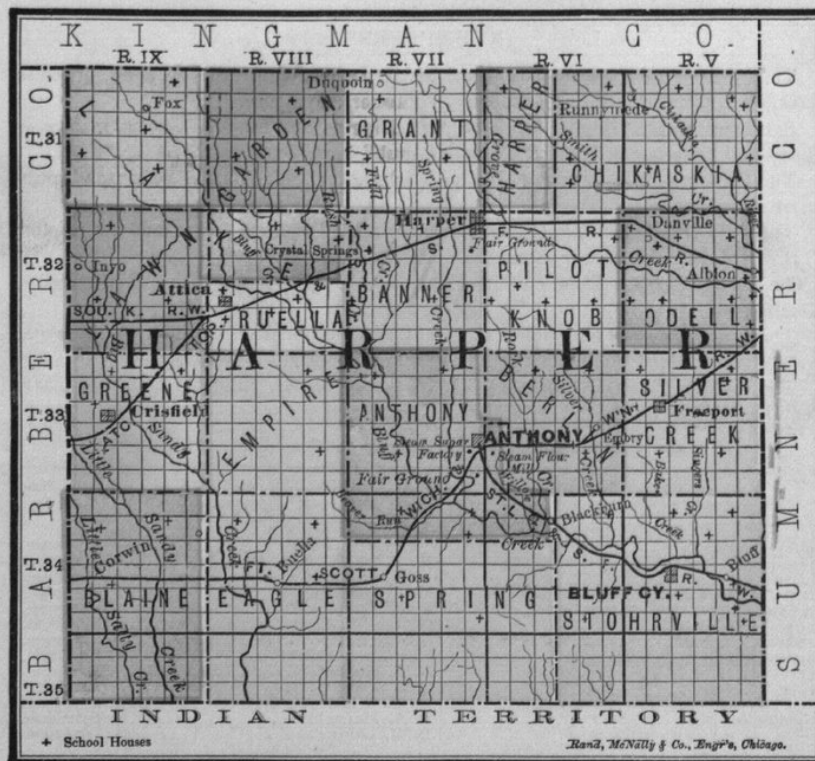
POST OFFICES.

Coolidge, Federal, Hatton,	Irene, Kendall, Lee,	Shiloh, Stowell, SYRACUSE (C. H.).
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HARPER COUNTY.

Borders on the Indian Territory, and lies in about the center of the State, east and west. It was first organized in 1873, and, for want of population, was after-

MAP OF HARPER COUNTY, KANSAS, 1888.



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ward disorganized. It was again organized as a county in 1878, with a territory of 810 square miles. Of the total population, there are now 16.53 people to the square mile. The city of Anthony, situated a little south and east of the center, is the county seat, ranking as the sixty-second city in the State in size. The city of Harper, nine miles to the north of Anthony, is the largest city in the county. It has a population of 2,114, and ranks as the fifty-sixth city in size in the State. Attica, situated in the northwestern part, Bluff City in the southeastern, and Freeport in the eastern, are places of much importance, having a large local trade.

POPULATION, VALUATION, AND INDEBTEDNESS.

TABLE showing total population, by townships and cities, for 1887 and 1888, and the assessed valuation and indebtedness of the county, total school district indebtedness, and the assessed valuation and indebtedness of the municipal townships, for 1888.

TOWNSHIPS AND CITIES.	Population.		Assessed valuation of the different kinds of property.				Total assessed valuation.	Indebtedness, July 1, 1888.
	1887.	1888.	Land.	Personal.	City lots.	Railroad property.		
The county.....	17,655	13,391	\$1,432,408	\$396,977	\$540,791	\$427,085	\$2,897,261	\$37,471
School districts.....								80,601
Anthony town p	1,013	776	\$136,740	\$16,010		\$36,306	\$189,056	28,854
Banner towns p	526	504	89,375	9,020		28,194	126,589	
Berlin township.		279	48,395	7,088			55,483	
Blaine townsh p	398	285	79,215	8,376	\$ 642	29,018	117,251	18,000
Chicascia tow p	783	686	90,200	9,710			99,910	4,500
Eagle township.	311	283	83,753	6,573	1,397	81,657	123,380	16,000
Empire towns p		198	58,225	2,654			60,879	
Garden towns p		265	58,915	5,471			64,386	
Grant township.		447	50,050	6,815			56,865	
Greene towns p.	177	298	54,065	5,165	5,371	34,285	98,886	
Harper towns p.	1,286	265	30,990	4,040			35,030	4,500
Lake township..	887	507	95,940	11,543	1,520	13,295	122,298	
Lawn township.	852	337	67,015	4,193		41,483	112,691	
Odell township..	640	582	69,965	14,620	6,090	56,618	147,293	
Pilot Knob tow p		550	74,130	6,749		35,922	116,801	
Attica city.....	1,405	616	34,830	13,991	79,194	26,939	154,954	
Ruella township p	489	221						
Freeport city...		149	53,890	9,628	7,790	49,130	120,438	19,000
Silver Creek to p		350						
Bluff City.....	731	323	143,710	23,441	16,772	27,417	211,340	24,666
Stohrville tow p.	1,317	907					117,635	
Spring township	397	429	113,005	4,630			293,339	46,900
Harper city....	3,369	2,114		55,681	228,523	9,135	472,752	38,910
Anthony city....	3,574	1,920		171,579	293,492	7,081		
Total.....								\$319,404

The general surface is slightly rolling, with long, gentle slopes. Bottom-lands, averaging one mile in width, comprise about 15 per cent. of the county area. There is very little timber in the county, the few trees found on the banks of streams being mostly cottonwood.

Springs are plentiful, and good well-water is found at an average depth of fifteen feet. The county is well supplied with streams, all having a general course to the southeast.

A red sandstone, excellent for building purposes, is found in all portions of the county. It is quite soft when first quarried, but hardens rapidly when exposed to the atmosphere. A large deposit of what is claimed to be mineral paint is found in the southeastern portion, but its value has not yet been tested. A good quality of brick is made from clay found in the county.

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TABLE showing acres, product, and value of field crops in the county for 1887 and 1888.

CROPS.	1887.			1888.		
	Acres.	Product.	Value.	Acres.	Product.	Value.
Winter wheat.....bu.	16,087	193,044	\$115,826 40	19,974	459,402	\$385,897 68
Rye.....bu.	341	3,410	1,534 50	1,177	23,540	11,770 00
Spring wheat.....bu.	854	10,248	6,148 80			
Corn.....bu.	35,310	529,650	158,895 00	72,706	2,181,180	588,918 60
Barley.....bu.	32	640	256 00			
Oats.....bu.	26,050	781,500	195,375 00	30,211	1,148,018	229,603 60
Buckwheat.....bu.				1	30	27 00
Irish potatoes.....bu.	1,059	84,720	63,540 00	756	34,020	35,721 00
Sweet potatoes.....bu.	90	9,000	5,400 00	168	33,600	33,600 00
Sorghum.....bu.	362		6,320 00	809		24,584 00
Castor beans.....bu.	155	1,550	1,395 00	70	560	560 00
Cotton.....lbs.	1	250	20 00	20	6,000	480 00
Flax.....bu.	113	1,130	960 50	399	3,990	3,591 00
Hemp.....lbs.	1	700	35 00			
Tobacco.....lbs.				2	1,200	120 00
Broom corn.....lbs.	327	196,200	6,867 00	207	103,500	3,622 50
Millet and Hungarian.....tons	6,277	12,554	50,216 00	3,380	6,760	33,800 00
Timothy.....	269			35		
Clover.....	84			63		
Orchard grass.....tons	17	* 556	2,780 00	2	+ 250	1,500 00
Blue grass.....	116			4		
Other tame grasses.....	12			21		
Prairie, under fence.....tons	28,593	24,954	99,816 00	59,086	19,035	66,622 50
Total.....	116,150		\$715,385 20	189,091		\$1,420,417 88

* Product of 1886. + Product of 1887.

Wheat on hand—March 1, 1887, 27,519 bushels; March 1, 1888, 14,661 bushels.
Corn on hand—March 1, 1887, 262,196 bushels; March 1, 1888, 101,341 bushels.

LIVE STOCK.

TABLE showing the number, value, and mortality of live stock for 1887 and 1888.

LIVE STOCK.	1887.		1888.		Mortality.	
	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	1887.	1888.
Horses.....	4,984	\$448,560 00	5,787	\$520,890 00	125	96
Mules and asses.....	1,296	129,600 00	1,331	133,100 00	17	12
Milch cows.....	5,636	112,720 00	7,619	152,380 00	76	70
Other cattle.....	14,551	291,020 00	16,437	328,740 00	123	215
Sheep.....	1,759	3,518 00	1,000	2,000 00	* 10	1
Swine.....	14,595	102,165 00	13,572	108,576 00	5,232	1,709
Total.....	42,821	\$1,087,583 00	45,746	\$1,245,626 00	5,583	2,103

* Including the number of head killed by dogs.

Number of dogs in county, March 1, 1887, 1,552.
Number of dogs in county, March 1, 1888, 1,620.

RANK OF COUNTY in population, assessed valuation, total value of farm products, acreage of wheat and corn, and the number of live stock named below, for the years 1887 and 1888.

YEARS.	Popu- lation.	Asses- sed val- uation.	Value of farm products.	Wheat, acres.	Corn, acres.	Horses and mules.	Cattle.	Sheep.	Swine.
1887.....	32	49	53	23	47	59	58	58	58
1888.....	51	51	37	20	36	58	50	72	51

Herd law, in force.

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SUMMARY

SHOWING the amount and value of farm products for the years ending March, 1, 1887, and March 1, 1888.

PRODUCTS.	1887.		1888.	
	Amount.	Value.	Amount.	Value.
Field crops.....acres	116,150	\$715,385 20	189,091	\$1,430,417 88
Animals slaughtered and sold for slaughter.....		197,250 00		189,088 00
Value of the increase in live stock.....		187,960 00		143,448 00
Wool clip.....lbs.	1,800	324 00	6,500	1,170 00
Butter.....lbs.	240,506	48,101 20	258,945	46,610 10
Cheese.....lbs.	245	29 40	841	100 92
Honey and bees-wax.....lbs.	1	20		3,836 00
Milk sold.....		7,550 00		1,249 00
Horticultural products marketed.....		250 00		
Wine manufactured.....gals.				6,707 00
Garden products marketed.....		5,371 00		15,604 00
Poultry and eggs sold.....		15,638 00		40 00
Wood marketed.....				
Total.....		\$1,177,259 00		\$1,823,270 90

HORTICULTURE, ETC.

FRUIT TREES.	1887.	1888.	SMALL FRUITS—ACRES.	1887.	1888.
<i>Number of trees in bearing.</i>			Raspberries.....	27	13
Apple.....	9,616	16,504	Blackberries.....	45	26
Pear.....	1,757	574	Strawberries.....	18	10
Peach.....	179,259	192,911	Total.....	90	49
Plum.....	6,008	8,562			
Cherry.....	4,133	5,427			
Total.....	200,773	223,978			
<i>Number not in bearing.</i>			ARTIFICIAL FOREST.	1887.	1888.
Apple.....	86,666	71,709	<i>Acres of trees one year old and over.</i>		
Pear.....	3,470	2,704	Walnut.....	63	62
Peach.....	111,490	102,722	Maple.....	98	66
Plum.....	5,768	6,520	Honey locust.....	21	16
Cherry.....	8,098	8,633	Cottonwood.....	1,180	820
Total.....	215,492	192,288	Other varieties.....	467	406
			Total.....	1,829	1,430
			Acres in nurseries.....	768	637
			Acres in vineyards.....	70	40

MECHANICAL AND MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.

NAME OF BUSINESS.	Number of estab- lishments.....	Amount of capi- tal invested.....	Motive power.....	Average No. of hands employed.....	Total amount paid in wages during the year.....	Value of	
						Raw material used.....	Product ..
Cigar factory.....	1	\$ 1,000	Hand.	3	\$1,200	\$ 800	\$ 3,600
Flour mill.....	1	40,000	Steam.	9	6,500	82,400	96,400
Printing establishment.....	1	5,000	"	4	1,500	720	3,500
Total.....	3	\$46,000		16	\$9,200	\$83,920	\$103,500

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CHURCHES.

TABLE showing the number of church organizations, aggregate membership, number of church edifices, and the value of church property in the county, belonging to the denominations named, for 1888.

DENOMINATIONS.	No. of church organizations.	Aggregate membership.	No. of church edifices.	Value of church property.
Baptist	8	400	2	\$16,000
Congregational	1	117	1	5,000
Episcopal	1	28	1	2,000
Methodist Episcopal	5	541	3	7,000
Presbyterian	2	174	1	5,000
Roman Catholic	3	200	2	2,500
United Presbyterian	1	55	1	5,000
Total	21	1,515	11	\$42,500

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Number of organized districts, 81; school population for 1888, 4,762. Average monthly wages paid teachers: Males, \$40.58; females, \$38.09. Total value of school property in the county, \$23,835.

NEWSPAPERS.

The *Anthony Republican*, daily and weekly (Republican). George W. Moffet, editor, publisher, and proprietor; Lafe Merritt, city editor, Anthony.

Harper County Enterprise (Democratic). T. H. W. McDowell, editor, publisher, and proprietor; W. L. Hutchinson, general business manager, Anthony.

Anthony Journal (Republican). J. R. Hammond, editor; Anthony Journal Company, publishers, Anthony.

The *Harper Sentinel* (Democratic). J. L. Isenberg, editor and publisher, Harper.

The *Trophet* (Union Labor). Harper.

Harper Normal School and Business College Journal (Educational). R. W. Ball, editor and publisher, Normal Printing Office, Harper.

The *Attica Advocate* (Republican). L. A. Hoffman, editor; Hoffman & Son (A. B.), publishers and proprietors, Attica.

Freeport Leader (Republican). Mervin O. Cissel, publisher, Freeport.

Herald (Republican). James Glover, editor and proprietor, Bluff City.

The *Crisfield Courier* (Independent). L. B. Wilson, editor; Henry Anderson and L. B. Wilson, proprietors, Crisfield.

BANKS IN COUNTY.

NAME OF BANK.	President.	Cashier.	Post-office address.	Paid-up capital.	Surplus.
Anthony Bank	W. H. Hurd	T. B. Smith	Anthony	\$ 50,000	\$ 2,500
Anthony National Bank	P. Anderson	F. D. Denlinger	Anthony	50,000	12,500
First National Bank	S. A. Darrough	W. L. Moyer	Anthony	100,000	10,000
Harper County National Bk.	L. C. Bidwell	Chas. D. Organ	Anthony	50,000	10,000
Attica State Bank	C. S. Jones	J. N. Richardson	Attica	30,000	3,000
State Bank of Bluff City	H. B. Schuler	W. T. Clark	Bluff City	50,000	.....
Kansas State Bank	J. M. Fulton	C. A. Hawkins	Freeport	12,500	.....
First National Bank	Louis Walton .....	.....	Harper	50,000	6,000
Harper National Bank	Joseph Munger	E. C. Fox	Harper	50,000	3,000
Ellis & Bourne	A. Drumm	Abner Bourne	Harper	25,000	10,000

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List of county officers for 1888, with post-office address of each.

Officer.	Name.	Post-office address.
County Clerk.....	H. E. Patterson.....	Anthony.
Treasurer.....	O. F. Casteen.....	Anthony.
Sheriff.....	John S. Gardner.....	Harper.
Clerk District Court.....	W. R. Rowell.....	Corwin.
Probate Judge.....	M. A. Shoemaker.....	Attica.
Register of Deeds.....	B. F. Blue.....	Anthony.
Attorney.....	George E. McMahon.....	Anthony.
Superintendent of Schools.....	Helen M. Wills.....	Freeport.
Surveyor.....	H. H. Jenkins.....	Harper.
Coroner.....	C. S. Lloyd.....	Harper.
Commissioners.....	Asa Titus.....	Anthony.
	J. M. Lapham.....	Bluff City.
	R. H. Echols.....	

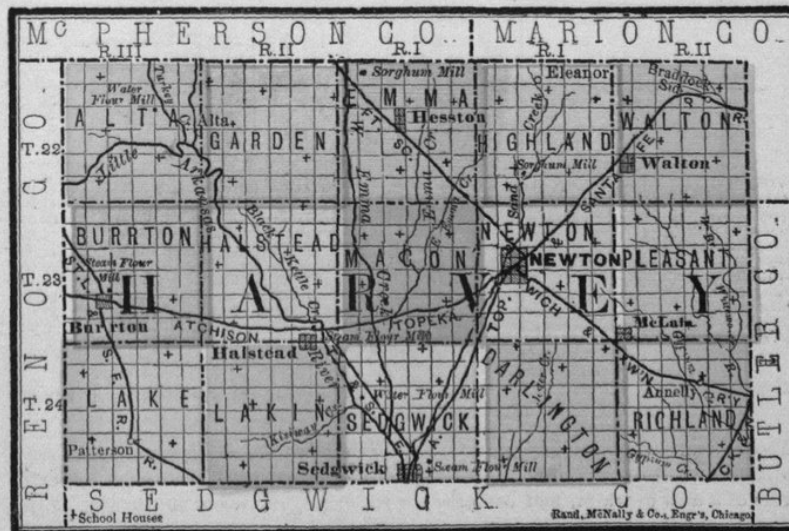
POST OFFICES.

Albion, ANTHONY (C. H.), Attica, Bluff City, Corwin, Crisfield,	Crystal Springs, Danville, Duquoin, Embry, Fox, Freeport,	Harper, Inyo, Ruella, Runnymede.
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HARVEY COUNTY.

It was organized in 1872. Is the third county north from the Indian Territory; has an area of 540 square miles, and lies a little southeast of the center of the State. It has to each square mile 38.01 inhabitants, and ranks as the twenty-fifth county in population in the State. The city of Newton, in the east-central portion, has a population of 8,341, ranks as the tenth in size in the State, and is the county seat.

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The city of Halstead, with a population of 1,133, lying in the west-central portion of the county, is the ninety-eighth city in size in point of population. The towns of Sedgwick, Burrton, and Walton are places of local importance.

POPULATION, VALUATION, AND INDEBTEDNESS.

TABLE showing total population, by townships and cities, for 1887 and 1888, and the assessed valuation and indebtedness of the county, total school district indebtedness, and the assessed valuation and indebtedness of the municipal townships, for 1888.

TOWNSHIPS AND CITIES.	Population.		Assessed valuation of the different kinds of property.				Total assessed valuation.	Indebtedness, July 1, 1888.
	1887.	1888.	Land.	Personal.	City lots.	Railroad property.		
The county.....	20,603	20,546	\$1,424,742	\$628,285	\$1,115,303	\$704,475	\$3,875,805	\$ 3,000
School districts.....								68,394
Alta township..	649	650	651	\$ 81,659	\$ 11,744		\$ 93,403	
Burrton city....	452	1,101	685	74,867	46,007	\$ 47,032	\$ 88,404	256,310
Burrton town'p.		346	1,031					40,000
Darlington t'p..		596	579	107,057	15,940		122,997	
Emma township		674	713	82,256	15,285	2,377	37,874	137,792
Garden town'p.		605	678	77,698	11,557			89,255
Halstead city...	1,020	1,081	1,133	95,061	55,826	62,379	88,595	301,861
Halstead town'p.	661	683						1,500
Highland tow'p.		598	601	79,845	13,339		20,838	114,022
Lake township..		527	495	70,682	18,978		36,134	125,794
Lakin township.		771	790	77,301	9,215		3,303	89,909
Macon township		665	672	128,811	20,794		59,366	208,971
Newton town'p.		924	933	196,191	25,396		100,357	321,944
Pleasant town'p.		728	747	78,891	6,965	1,090	265	87,151
Richland town'p.		507	487	87,147	15,212	3,544	52,937	158,840
Sedgwick city..	744	690	1,276	107,873	71,273	61,537	86,739	327,422
Sedgwick tow'p.	597	1,341	586					17,736
Walton city.....	247	193	736	79,403	22,810	11,576	77,427	191,216
Walton town'p..	559	806	543					
Newton city..		8,339	8,341	267,944	928,828	52,139	1,248,911	66,000
Total								\$265,630

MECHANICAL AND MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.

NAME OF BUSINESS.	Number of establishments.....	Amount of capital invested.....	Motive power	Average No. of hands employed.....	Total amount paid in wages during the year.....	Value of	
						Raw material used.....	Product.....
Brick-yards.....	2	\$ 5,000	Steam.	26	\$ 6,000	\$ 3,500	\$ 11,000
Broom factories.....	2	5,000	Hand.	8	3,200	1,885	11,065
Carriage factories.....	2	56,000	"	48	23,500	45,000	80,000
Cigar factories.....	2	1,800	"	4	3,062	3,630	7,550
Cornice works.....	1	7,000	"	7	3,000	4,000	12,000
Creamery.....	1	6,000	Steam.	4	1,080	12,500	20,000
Flour mills.....	5	171,000	"	35	25,060	241,500	310,500
Marble works.....	1	6,000	Hand.	5	4,000	3,000	10,000
Planing mill.....	1	12,000	Steam.	17	10,000	20,000	35,000
Soap factory.....	1	4,000	Hand.	3	1,500	1,200	3,500
Wire fence factory.....	1	7,000	"	2	500	1,000	4,000
Total	19	\$280,800		159	\$80,902	\$337,215	\$504,615

The general surface is a level prairie, rolling in the southeastern portion, and sand hills in the northwestern corner. Bottom-lands average from one-fourth to three-fourths of a mile in width, and comprise, in the aggregate, about 30 per cent. of the total area.

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Timber belts on the streams average from ten rods to one-fourth of a mile in width, and contain the following varieties of trees: Walnut, elm, hackberry, cottonwood, ash, oak, box-elder, mulberry, and sycamore.

Magnesian limestone, in small quantities and of an inferior quality, is found in the northeastern portion of the county. A good quality of brick is manufactured from a bed of clay near the city of Newton. The eastern half of the county seems to be underlaid with gypsum, especially along the Doyle creek and the west branch of the White Water. Recent borings in Darlington and Newton townships have

FARM AND CROP STATISTICS.

TABLE showing acres, product, and value of field crops in the county for 1887 and 1888.

CROPS.	1887.			1888.		
	Acres.	Product.	Value.	Acres.	Product.	Value.
Winter wheat.....bu.	12,626	88,382	\$ 57,448 90	27,336	437,376	\$323,658 24
Rye.....bu.	1,041	12,492	6,246 00	1,262	18,930	9,654 80
Spring wheat.....bu.	3	21	13 65	29	348	208 80
Corn.....bu.	39,100	586,500	175,950 00	56,525	1,187,025	427,329 00
Barley.....bu.	532	10,640	4,256 00	24	480	192 00
Oats.....bu.	32,762	491,490	122,857 50	37,014	1,078,406	322,021 80
Buckwheat.....bu.	20	300	225 00	14	308	308 00
Irish potatoes.....bu.	1,061	84,880	63,660 00	990	55,800	50,220 00
Sweet potatoes.....bu.	16	1,600	1,200 00	90	10,350	10,350 00
Sorghum.....bu.	503	.....	12,560 00	1,161	.....	29,650 50
Castor beans.....bu.	104	936	842 40	2	24	24 00
Cotton.....lbs.	.....	.....	229 50	37	370	333 00
Flax.....bu.	27	270	525 00	.....	.....	.....
Hemp.....lbs.	15	10,500	.....	45	27,000	2,700 00
Tobacco.....lbs.	75	45,000	1,575 00	155	93,000	3,255 00
Broom corn.....lbs.	1,716	3,432	20,562 00	3,690	7,380	29,520 00
Millet and Hungarian.....tons	3,106	.....	.....	2,878	.....	.....
Timothy.....tons	264	.....	.....	367	.....	.....
Clover.....tons	279	* 1,202	8,414 00	175	+ 1,284	7,704 00
Orchard grass.....tons	104	.....	.....	194	.....	.....
Blue grass.....tons	349	.....	.....	94	.....	.....
Other tame grasses.....tons	47,098	36,343	181,715 00	56,229	28,259	113,036 00
Prairie, under fence.....tons	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	140,901	.....	\$658,309 35	118,221	.....	\$1,330,164 64

* Product of 1886. + Product of 1887.

Wheat on hand—March 1, 1887, 17,763 bushels; March 1, 1888, 6,337 bushels.
Corn on hand—March 1, 1887, 339,261 bushels; March 1, 1888, 138,272 bushels.

LIVE STOCK.

TABLE showing the number, value, and mortality of live stock for 1887 and 1888.

LIVE STOCK.	1887.		1888.		Mortality.	
	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	1887.	1888.
Horses.....	7,110	\$639,900 00	8,039	\$723,510 00	243	161
Mules and asses.....	975	97,500 00	873	87,300 00	14	39
Milch cows.....	7,702	154,040 00	8,135	162,700 00	175	184
Other cattle.....	17,580	351,600 00	16,472	329,440 00	1,033	266
Sheep.....	7,683	15,366 00	4,720	9,440 00	* 866	* 300
Swine.....	20,963	146,741 00	16,903	135,944 00	7,336	1,978
Total.....	62,013	\$1,405,147 00	55,232	\$1,448,334 00	9,567	2,848

* Including the number of head killed by dogs.
Number of dogs in county, March 1, 1887, 1,693.
Number of dogs in county, March 1, 1888, 1,681.

Herd law, in force.

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developed large bodies of salt water at a depth of from five hundred to seven hundred feet.

The Little Arkansas river enters the county on the northwest and flows southeast, crossing the southern boundary at about the center.

SUMMARY

SHOWING the amount and value of farm products for the years ending March 1, 1887, and March 1, 1888.

PRODUCTS.	1887.		1888.	
	Amount.	Value.	Amount.	Value.
Field crops.....acres	140,901	\$658,309 85	188,221	\$1,330,164 64
Animals slaughtered and sold for slaughter.....		350,382 00		416,911 00
Value of the increase in live stock.....				22,224 00
Wool clip.....lbs.	15,480	2,786 43	7,983	1,436 94
Butter.....lbs.	326,704	49,005 60	500,867	81,578 72
Cheese.....lbs.	2,334	280 08	4,740	568 80
Honey and bees-wax.....lbs.	43	8 60	70	14 00
Milk sold.....		10,870 00		6,061 00
Horticultural products marketed.....		20,744 00		15,936 00
Wine manufactured.....gals.	2,055	2,055 00	1,185	1,185 00
Garden products marketed.....		11,168 00		17,175 00
Poultry and eggs sold.....		25,167 00		38,006 00
Wood marketed.....		110 00		5,700 00
Total.....		\$1,130,886 03		\$1,936,861 10

RANK OF COUNTY in population, assessed valuation, total value of farm products, acreage of wheat and corn, and the number of live stock named below, for the years 1887 and 1888.

YEARS.	Popu- lation.	Assess- ed val- uation.	Value of farm products.	Wheat, acres.	Corn, acres.	Horses and mules.	Cattle.	Sheep.	Swine.
1887	24	35	56	15	41	51	47	23	39
1888	25	32	31	10	42	45	48	25	35

HORTICULTURE, ETC.

FRUIT TREES.	1887.	1888.	SMALL FRUITS—ACRES.	1887.	1888.
<i>Number of trees in bearing.</i>			Raspberries.....	21	13
Apple.....	45,898	50,782	Blackberries.....	91	51
Pear.....	2,054	2,423	Strawberries.....	11	12
Peach.....	85,629	71,842	Total.....	123	76
Plum.....	10,702	15,307			
Cherry.....	15,460	22 407			
Total.....	150,743	162,762	ARTIFICIAL FOREST.	1887.	1888.
			<i>Acres of trees one year old and over.</i>		
<i>Number not in bearing.</i>			Walnut.....	104	384
Apple.....	62,548	52,942	Maple.....	85	109
Pear.....	3,828	7,396	Honey locust.....	11	17
Peach.....	38,038	35,231	Cottonwood.....	1,536	1,905
Plum.....	7,575	6,795	Other varieties.....	561	707
Cherry.....	9,991	7,104	Total.....	2,297	2,522
Total.....	122,880	109,468	Acres in nurseries.....	200	257
			Acres in vineyards.....	51	63

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CHURCHES.

TABLE showing the number of church organizations, aggregate membership, number of church edifices, and the value of church property in the county, belonging to the denominations named; also, statistics relating to denominational schools and colleges, for 1888.

DENOMINATIONS.	No. of church organizations.	Aggregate membership.	No. of church edifices.	Value of church property.
Baptist.....	6	610	4	\$19,450
Christian.....	3	385	2	4,300
Congregational.....	2	121	2	11,000
Dunkard.....	1	40		
Episcopal.....	1	52	1	7,000
Friends.....	1	240	1	1,500
Lutheran.....	1	29		
Methodist Episcopal.....	8	1,626	9	40,000
Roman Catholic.....	3	700	2	21,000
United Presbyterian.....	2	148	2	6,000
Total.....	28	3,951	23	\$110,250

DENOMINATIONAL SCHOOLS.

NAME OF ORGANIZATION.	Average yearly attendance.	Average monthly salaries paid teachers.	No. of school buildings.	Value of buildings and other school property.
Parochial school (Catholic).....	100	\$45	2	\$2,000

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Number of organized districts, 73; school population for 1888, 6,190. Average monthly wages paid teachers: Males, \$45.77; females, \$44.83. Total value of school property in the county, \$156,610.

NEWSPAPERS.

The *Newton Republican*, daily and weekly (Republican). Noble L. Prentis, editor; Newton Publishing Company, publishers, Newton.
Newton Kansan (Republican). Chas. H. Kurtz, editor and proprietor, Newton.
Newton Anzeiger (German). U. Hege & Co., editors and publishers; C. D. Heinrich, business manager, Newton.
The *Kansas Commoner* (Union Labor). J. R. Rogers, editor; B. E. Kies, business manager, Newton.
The *Kansas Chronicle* (Democratic). Ellis S. Garten, editor, publisher, and proprietor, Newton.
The *Halstead Independent* (Republican). Joe. F. White, editor and proprietor, Halstead.
The *Halstead Herald* (Republican). H. E. Swan, editor and proprietor, Halstead.
The *Burton Graphic* (Republican). M. L. Sherpy, editor and proprietor, Burton.
The *Sedgwick Pantagraph* (Republican). Cash M. Taylor, editor and publisher, Sedgwick.

POST OFFICES.

Alta, Annelly, Burton, Eleanor,	Halstead, Hesston, McLain, NEWTON (C. H.),	Patterson, Sedgwick, Walton.
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BANKS IN COUNTY.

NAME OF BANK.	President.	Cashier.	Post-office address.	Paid-up capital.	Surplus.
Bank of Burrton.....	W. O. VanArsdale	J. E. Howard.....	Burrton	\$ 50,000	\$ 3,000
Merchants' & Farmers' Bk.	I. M. Welch.....	J. A. Welch.....	Burrton	15,000	5,000
Halstead National Bank...	M. S. Ingalls.....	J. H. McNair.....	Halstead	50,000	3,000
Citizens' Bank of Newton.	E. B. Fowler.....	C. A. Swenson...	Newton.....	50,000	.....
Commercial Bank.....	E. H. Hoag.....	.....	Newton.....	50,000	.....
First National Bank.....	S. Lehman.....	A. B. Gilbert.....	Newton.....	50,000	50,000
German National Bank....	J. A. Randall.....	Alan L. Reid.....	Newton.....	60,000	6,300
International Bank.....	.....	Wm. R. Doty.....	Newton.....	50,000	.....
Newton National Bank....	John Reese.....	C. R. McLain.....	Newton.....	100,000	16,000
Citizens' Bank of Sedgwick	W. M. Congdon...	T. R. Hazard.....	Sedgwick...	72,500	15,000
Sedgwick City Bank.....	Max Ackerland...	R. W. Hall.....	Sedgwick...	50,000	3,000
Bank of Walton.....	B. Brush.....	J. H. Taggart.....	Walton.....	20,000	5,000

LIST of county officers for 1888, with post-office address of each.

Officer.	Name.	Post-office address.
County Clerk.....	R. H. Farr.....	Newton.
Treasurer.....	J. C. Johnston.....	Newton.
Sheriff.....	James Ryan.....	Newton.
Clerk District Court.....	W. J. Puelt.....	Newton.
Probate Judge.....	D. Felger.....	Newton.
Register of Deeds.....	W. H. Lakin.....	Newton.
Attorney.....	D. A. Holliday.....	Newton.
Superintendent of Schools	S. T. Danner.....	Newton.
Surveyor.....	James Dawson.....	Newton.
Coroner.....	Max Miller.....	Newton.
Commissioners.....	{ A. Moore.....	Newton.
	{ H. D. Hackney.....	Walton.
	{ P. O'Brian.....	Burrton.

HASKELL COUNTY.

By an Act of the Legislature in 1887 it was created out of a portion of the south half of Finney county. It has an area of 576 square miles, and a density of 4.63 persons to each section of land. It was organized in 1887. Santa Fé, situated in the center, is the county seat.

The general surface is level or gently rolling. There are not very many springs, but well-water is found at a depth of from fifty to one hundred feet.

POPULATION, VALUATION, AND INDEBTEDNESS.

TABLE showing total population by townships, and the assessed valuation and indebtedness of the county, total school district indebtedness, and the assessed valuation and indebtedness of the municipal townships, for 1888.

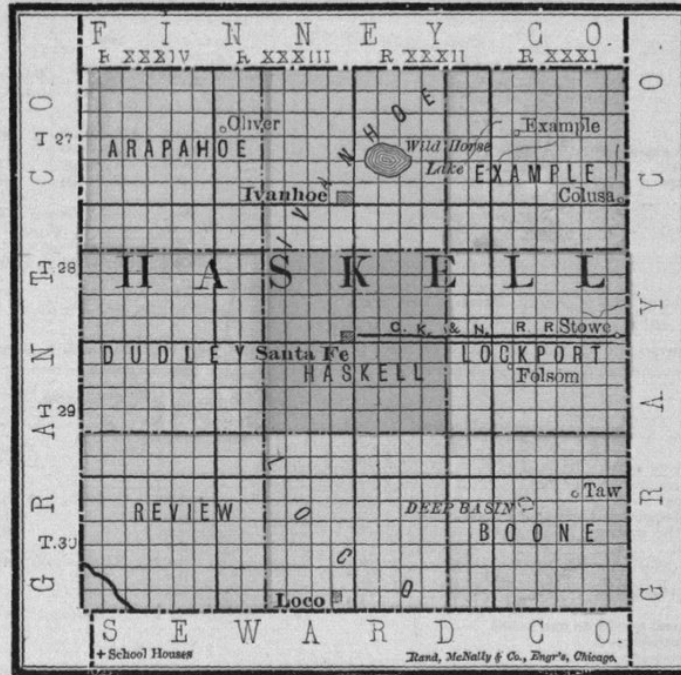
TOWNSHIPS.	Population.	Assessed valuation of the different kinds of property.				Total assessed valuation.	Indebtedness, July 1, 1888.
	1888.	Land.	Personal.	City lots.	Railroad property.		
The county	2,666	\$496,836	\$35,050	\$102,593	.....	\$634,479	\$24,476
School districts.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,014
Dudley township.....	770	\$143,605	\$ 8,000	.....	.....	\$151,605	100
Haskell township.....	1,258	207,509	18,025	\$102,593	328,217	15,553
Lockport township....	638	145,632	9,025	154,657	100
Total.....	\$41,245

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MAP OF HASKELL COUNTY, KANSAS, 1888.



FARM AND CROP STATISTICS.

TABLE showing acres, product, and value of field crops in the county for the year 1888.

CROPS.	1888.		
	Acres.	Product.	Value.
Winter wheat.....bu.	184	2,024	\$ 1,518 00
Rye.....bu.	87	1,044	522 00
Spring wheat.....bu.	12	130	78 00
Corn.....bu.	4,679	56,148	25,266 60
Barley.....bu.	4	40	14 00
Oats.....bu.	1,055	12,660	3,165 00
Buckwheat.....bu.	7	35	81 50
Irish potatoes.....bu.	78	3,120	2,340 00
Sweet potatoes.....bu.	16	640	640 00
Sorghum.....bu.	2,965		17,790 00
Castor beans.....bu.	34	204	204 00
Cotton.....lbs.			
Flax.....bu.			
Hemp.....lbs.			
Tobacco.....lbs.			
Broom corn.....lbs.	239	95,600	3,346 00
Millet and Hungarian.....tons	2,264	4,528	18,112 00
Timothy.....tons	4		
Clover.....tons	5		
Orchard grass.....tons		* 84	504 00
Blue grass.....tons			
Other tame grasses.....tons	33		
Prairie, under fence.....tons	233	123	360 00
Total.....	11,899		\$73,900 10

* Product of 1887.

Corn on hand—March 1, 1888, 2,013 bushels.

LIVE STOCK.

TABLE showing the number, value, and mortality of live stock for 1888.

LIVE STOCK.	1888.		
	No.	Value.	Mortality.
Horses	658	\$50,220 00	47
Mules and asses	245	24,500 00	.....
Milch cows	583	11,660 00	3
Other cattle	648	12,960 00	15
Sheep .....	.....	.....	.....
Swine	224	1,792 00	55
Total	2,358	\$110,132 00	120

Number of dogs in county, March 1, 1888, 222.

SUMMARY

SHOWING the amount and value of farm products for the year ending March 1, 1888.

PRODUCTS.	1888.	
	Amount.	Value.
Field crops	acres	
Animals slaughtered and sold for slaughter	11,899	\$ 73,900 10
Value of the increase in live stock		471,024 00
Wool clip		110,132 00
Butter	lbs.	
Cheese	18,235	2,870 55
Honey and bees-wax	lbs	13 20
Milk sold	lbs.	
Horticultural products marketed		342 00
Wine manufactured	gals.	
Garden products marketed		
Poultry and eggs sold		185 00
Wood marketed		1,044 00
Total		\$659,010 85

HORTICULTURE, ETC.

FRUIT TREES.	1888.	SMALL FRUITS—ACRES.	1888.
<i>Number of trees in bearing.</i>		Raspberries	1
Apple.....		Blackberries.....	1
Pear.....		Strawberries.....	
Peach.....		Total.....	4
Plum.....			
Cherry.....			
Total.....		ARTIFICIAL FOREST.	1888.
		<i>Acres of trees one year old and over.</i>	
<i>Number not in bearing.</i>		Walnut.....	48
Apple.....	5,912	Maple.....	6
Pear.....	182	Honey locust.....	23
Peach.....	8,241	Cottonwood.....	153
Plum.....	1,327	Other varieties.....	79
Cherry.....	101	Total.....	308
Total.....	15,763	Acres in nurseries.....	
		Acres in vineyards.....	

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RANK OF COUNTY in population for 1887 and 1888, and assessed valuation, total value of farm products, acreage of wheat and corn, and the number of live stock named below for the year 1888.

YEARS.	Popu- lation.	Assess- ed valua- tion.	Value of farm products.	Wheat, acres.	Corn, acres.	Horses and mules.	Cattle.	Sheep.	Swine.
1887	95								
1888	99	102	74	98	100	102	105		101

CHURCHES.

TABLE showing the number of church organizations, aggregate membership, number of church edifices, and the value of church property in the county, belonging to the denominations named, for 1888.

DENOMINATIONS.	No. of church or- ganiza- tions.	Aggre- gate mem- bership.	No. of church edifices.	Value of church property.
Baptist.....	1	11		
Methodist Episcopal.....	1	100		
Presbyterian.....	3	70		
Total.....	5	181		

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Number of organized districts, 32; school population for 1888, 790. Average monthly wages paid teachers: Males, \$28.24; females, \$26.36. Total value of school property in the county, \$4,005.

NEWSPAPERS.

Ivanhoe Times (Democratic). T. B. Pyles, editor; Times Publishing Company, publishers, Ivanhoe.

The *Santa Fé Leader* (Democratic). T. B. Pyles, editor; Leader Publishing Company, publishers, Santa Fé.

The *Santa Fé Monitor* (Republican). J. W. Richardson, editor and publisher, Santa Fé.

BANKS IN COUNTY.

NAME OF BANK.	President.	Cashier.	Post-office address.	Paid-up capital.	Surplus.
Bank of Santa Fé.....	A. W. Stubbs.....	J. L. Kennard....	Santa Fé.....	\$10,000	\$1,500
Haskell County Bank.....	A. J. Holsington..	J. F. Kern.....	Santa Fé.....	14,000	

LIST of county officers for 1888, with post-office address of each.

Officer.	Name.	Post-office address.
County Clerk.....	W. E. Banker.....	Santa Fé.
Treasurer.....	J. M. Beckett.....	Santa Fé.
Sheriff.....	Joseph Hughes.....	Santa Fé.
Clerk District Court.....	W. F. Fallon.....	Santa Fé.
Probate Judge.....	A. P. Heminger.....	Santa Fé.
Register of Deeds.....	L. A. Crull.....	Santa Fé.
Attorney.....	M. C. Edwards.....	Santa Fé.
Superintendent of Schools.....	Lincoln McKinlay.....	Santa Fé.
Surveyor.....	William Haley.....	Colusa.
Coroner.....	L. N. Eggers.....	Santa Fé.
Commissioners.....	J. E. Marlow.....	Lockport.
	C. H. Huntington.....	Ivanhoe.
	J. N. Short.....	

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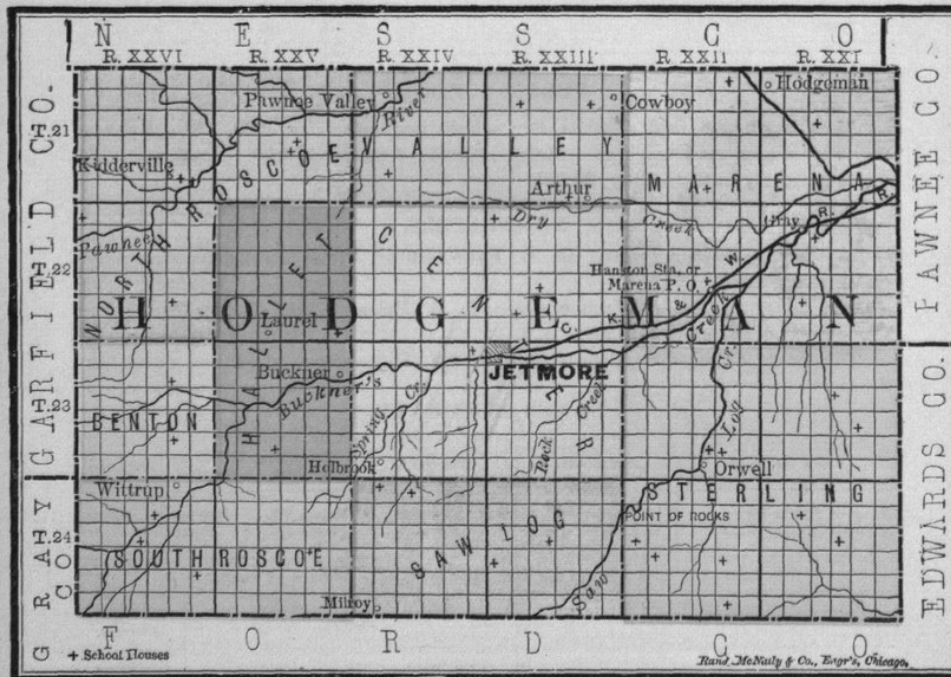
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HODGEMAN COUNTY.

Lies in the southwestern portion of the State, the third county north from the Indian Territory and the fifth east from the Colorado border. It was organized in 1879 with a territory of 864 square miles; but in 1883 the State Legislature added six

MAP OF HODGEMAN COUNTY, KANSAS, 1888.



townships of Lane and Gray counties on the west, raising the area to 1,152 square miles, and in 1887 eight townships on the west were detached by the Legislature to form portions of Garfield and Gray counties; thus restoring the area of 1879. It ranks as the eighty-ninth county in the State in population, having a density of 4.93 persons to the square mile. The town of Jetmore, in the center, is the county seat. There are no other towns of any size in the county.

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The general surface is undulating prairie. Springs are very scarce, but well-water is reached at a depth of thirty-five feet. The Pawnee river is the principal stream. Bottom-lands average three-fourths of a mile in width, and comprise about

POPULATION, VALUATION, AND INDEBTEDNESS.

TABLE showing total population, by townships and cities, for 1887 and 1888, and the assessed valuation and indebtedness of the county, total school district indebtedness, and the assessed valuation and indebtedness of the municipal townships, for 1888.

TOWNSHIPS AND CITIES.	Population.		Assessed valuation of the different kinds of property.				Total assessed valuation.	Indebtedness, July 1, 1888.
	1887.	1888.	Land.	Personal.	City lots.	Railroad property.		
The county.....	4,589	4,259	\$841,639	\$153,949	\$117,304	\$113,553	\$1,228,445	\$116,000
School districts.....								23,103
Benton town's p.....		202	\$ 32,651	\$ 3,725			\$ 36,376	
Jetmore city.....	615	1,103	149,028	84,850	\$111,755	\$42,933	388,566	403
Center town's p.....	321	488	52,890	6,515	800		59,714	150
Hallet town's p.....	388	794	132,321	22,572	3,264	70,620	228,777	
Marena town's p.....	811	507	83,667	12,107			95,774	86
No. Roscoe to p.....	1,139	212	83,713	5,004			88,717	
SawLog town's p.....	243	230	79,909	5,623			85,532	
So. Roscoe to p.....		561	168,129	9,515	490		178,074	2,470
Sterling town's p.....	622	368	59,322	6,038	1,555		66,915	115
Valley town's p.....	465							
Total.....								\$142,338

FARM AND CROP STATISTICS.

TABLE showing acres, product, and value of field crops in the county for 1887 and 1888.

CROPS.	1887.			1888.		
	Acres.	Product.	Value.	Acres.	Product.	Value.
Winter wheat.....bu.	698	6,980	\$ 4,537 00	1,045	83,060	\$ 5,016 00
Rye.....bu.	1,443	11,544	5,772 00	1,151	13,812	6,906 00
Spring wheat.....bu.	69	690	448 50	3	24	15 60
Corn.....bu.	2,711	27,110	10,844 00	6,908	55,264	25,421 44
Barley.....bu.	208	4,160	1,664 00	48	288	100 80
Oats.....bu.	1,898	37,860	13,251 00	2,298	36,768	10,295 04
Buckwheat.....bu.	2	30	22 50	7	35	35 00
Irish potatoes.....bu.	491	39,280	29,460 00	453	12,231	12,231 00
Sweet potatoes.....bu.	29	2,900	2,900 00	29	2,030	2,030 00
Sorghum.....bu.	4,672		116,800 00	6,301		112,776 00
Castor beans.....bu.	5	50	45 00	1	4	4 00
Cotton.....lbs.						
Flax.....bu.	30	300	255 00	152	1,368	1,321 20
Hemp.....lbs.				1	700	35 00
Tobacco.....lbs.	7	4,300	420 00	3	1,800	180 00
Broom corn.....lbs.	410	246,000	8,610 00	380	190,000	6,650 00
Millet and Hungarian.....tons	6,186	12,372	61,860 00	4,857	9,714	38,856 00
Timothy.....tons				8		
Clover.....tons	12	* 18	108 00	42	+ 118	708 00
Orchard grass.....tons						
Blue grass.....tons				9		
Other tame grasses.....tons				16,046	6,433	19,299 00
Prairie, under fence.....tons	685	6,410	19,230 00			
Total.....	19,551		\$276,227 00	39,742		\$241,790 08

* Product of 1886. + Product of 1887.
Wheat on hand—March 1, 1887, 255 bushels; March 1, 1888, 72 bushels.
Corn on hand—March 1, 1887, 4,856 bushels; March 1, 1888, 220 bushels.

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10 per cent. of the total area. Ash, cottonwood, hackberry, box-elder, and china-wood are the principal varieties of timber found along the streams.

Soft sandstone and hard limestone are found in the bluffs and near the creeks. A native lime, used extensively in building, is found in large quantities. Small beds of gypsum are met with in the central portion.

LIVE STOCK.

TABLE showing the number, value, and mortality of live stock for 1887 and 1888.

LIVE STOCK.	1887.		1888.		Mortality.	
	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	1887.	1888.
Horses.....	2,321	\$208,890 00	2,370	\$213,300 00	53	42
Mules and asses.....	421	42,100 00	332	35,200 00	1	7
Milch cows.....	2,823	56,460 00	2,490	49,800 00	12	13
Other cattle.....	5,474	109,480 00	7,247	144,940 00	32	76
Sheep.....	9,078	18,156 00	6,398	12,796 00	* 3	.....
Swine.....	1,587	11,109 00	651	5,208 00	50	135
Total.....	21,704	\$446,195 00	19,508	\$461,244 00	151	273

Herd law, in force.

* Including the number of head killed by dogs.

Number of dogs in county, March 1, 1887, 662.

Number of dogs in county, March 1, 1888, 557.

SUMMARY

SHOWING the amount and value of farm products for the years ending March 1, 1887, and March 1, 1888.

PRODUCTS.	1887.		1888.	
	Amount.	Value.	Amount.	Value.
Field crops.....acres	19,551	\$276,227 00	39,742	\$241,790 08
Animals slaughtered and sold for slaughter.....		12,919 00		18,626 00
Value of the increase in live stock.....		126,979 00		13,462 00
Wool clip.....lbs.	21,103	3,798 54	30,867	5,556 06
Butter.....lbs.	71,430	10,714 50	99,674	14,951 10
Cheese.....lbs.			1,000	120 00
Honey and bees-wax.....lbs.				
Milk sold.....		10 00		70 00
Horticultural products marketed.....		125 00		
Wine manufactured.....gals.			43	43 00
Garden products marketed.....		1,231 00		1,090 00
Poultry and eggs sold.....		3,738 00		3,200 00
Wood marketed.....				
Total.....		\$435,742 04		\$208,908,24

RANK OF COUNTY in population, assessed valuation, total value of farm products, acreage of wheat and corn, and the number of live stock named below, for the years 1887 and 1888.

YEARS.	Popula- tion.	Assess- ed val- uation.	Value of farm products.	Wheat, acres.	Corn, acres.	Horses and mules.	Cattle.	Sheep.	Swine.
1887.....	85	84	81	77	83	78	78	19	81
1888.....	80	90	91	80	92	81	78	19	80

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FRUIT TREES.	1887.	1888.	SMALL FRUITS—ACRES.	1887.	1888.
<i>Number of trees in bearing.</i>			Raspberries	28	1
Apple	92	95	Blackberries	11	
Pear		2	Strawberries	11	
Peach	2,097	3,095	Total	50	1
Plum	275	417			
Cherry	200	272			
Total	2,664	3,881			
			ARTIFICIAL FOREST.	1887.	1888.
<i>Number not in bearing.</i>			<i>Acres of trees one year old and over.</i>		
Apple	27,450	14,316	Walnut	77	125
Pear	399	307	Maple	31	18
Peach	15,643	10,674	Honey locust	30	31
Plum	4,857	2,302	Cottonwood	57	150
Cherry	4,101	2,393	Other varieties	231	442
Total	42,450	29,992	Total	426	766
			Acres in nurseries	35	90
			Acres in vineyards	9	7

CHURCHES.

TABLE showing the number of church organizations, aggregate membership, number of church edifices, and the value of church property in the county, belonging to the denominations named, for 1888.

DENOMINATIONS.	No. of church organizations.	Aggregate membership.	No. of church edifices.	Value of church property.
Baptist	1	40		
Congregational	3	55	1	\$4,000
Dunkard		8		
Methodist Episcopal	3	150	1	2,500
Roman Catholic	1	25		
United Presbyterian	3	69	1	1,000
Total	11	347	3	\$7,500

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Number of organized districts, 51; school population for 1888, 1,396. Average monthly wages paid teachers: Males, \$37; females, \$31.48. Total value of school property in the county, \$26,645.

NEWSPAPERS.

Jetmore Reveille (Republican). Roando C. Orndorff, managing editor; H. Orndorff, proprietor, Jetmore.
The Jetmore Weekly Scimitar (Democratic). William J. Fuller, editor and manager, Jetmore.
Jetmore Siftings (Republican). L. C. Miller, editor and proprietor, Jetmore.
Jetmore Journal (Republican). E. E. Hood, editor; S. A. Sheldon, proprietor, Jetmore.

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BANKS IN COUNTY.

NAME OF BANK.	President.	Cashier.	Post-office address.	Paid-up capital.	Surplus.
First National Bank.....	C. F. M. Niles....	J. P. Atkin.....	Jetmore	\$50,000	\$5,000

List of county officers for 1888, with post-office address of each.

Officer.	Name.	Post-office address.
County Clerk.....	E. E. Lawrence.....	Jetmore.
Treasurer	H. S. Booth.....	Jetmore.
Sheriff.....	James Gilland.....	Jetmore.
Clerk District Court.....	D. G. Curtis.....	Jetmore.
Probate Judge.....	A. B. Gilbert.....	Jetmore.
Register of Deeds.....	H. I. Benton.....	Jetmore.
Superintendent of Schools.....	P. N. Bernard.....	Jetmore.
Surveyor.....	G. D. Lewis.....	Jetmore.
Coroner.....	M. M. Blunt.....	Jetmore.
Commissioners	H. W. Fiedler.....	Jetmore.
	J. S. Bacus.....	Pawnee Valley.
	E. J. Beagle.....	Kalvesta.

POST OFFICES.

Arthur, Buckner, Hodgeman, Holbrook,	JETMORE (C. H.), Kidderville, Laurel, Marena,	Milroy, Orwell, Pawnee Valley, Wittrup.
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JACKSON COUNTY.

POPULATION, VALUATION, AND INDEBTEDNESS.

TABLE showing total population, by townships and cities, for 1887 and 1888, and the assessed valuation and indebtedness of the county, total school district indebtedness, and the assessed valuation and indebtedness of the municipal townships, for 1888.

TOWNSHIPS AND CITIES.	Population.		Assessed valuation of the different kinds of property.				Total assessed valuation.	Indebtedness, July 1, 1888.
	1887.	1888.	Land.	Personal.	City lots.	Railroad property.		
The county.....	15,417	15,235	\$2,208,119	\$785,545	\$303,483	\$568,822	\$3,855,969	\$160,189
School districts.....								32,000
Adrian towns'p.....		342	\$ 93,656	\$ 23,468			\$117,124	
Cedar township.....	1,357	885	158,913	39,172	\$ 2,549	\$78,162	278,796	16,000
Douglas towns'p.....	1,350	1,497	290,592	83,318	7,255	48,850	430,024	
Franklin towns'p.....	1,321	770	181,027	43,198		108,151	332,376	28,000
Garfield towns'p.....		1,039	154,832	50,332	5,854		211,018	
Grant township.....	1,222	1,223	259,011	107,001			366,012	
Circleville city.....	299	260						
Jefferson tow'p.....	793	870	1,130	158,253	45,733	12,257	74,552	290,795
Liberty towns'p.....		681	676	170,086	55,889		51,314	277,289
Netawaka city.....	365	399	1,436	153,884	53,377	16,741	43,604	267,696
Netawaka tow'p.....	1,038	1,037						
Soldier township.....		919	161,350	39,659	9,912	32,507	243,428	16,200
Straight Cr'k t'p.....		679	150,584	31,903	98	33,274	215,859	
Washington to'p.....		1,616	818	203,842	34,247		238,089	
Whiting city.....	416	395	162,089	62,328	23,040	91,634	339,091	
Whiting town'p.....	742	749						
Holton city.....		2,704		115,920	225,777	6,671	348,368	
Total.....								\$376,589

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Lies in the northeastern part of the State, one county being between it and the State of Nebraska on the north, and one between it and the Missouri river. It was organized in 1857, has a territory of 658 square miles, and ranks as the forty-sixth county in population in the State. Of the total number of inhabitants it has 23 to the square mile. The city of Holton, lying a little north and east of the center, is the county seat. With a population of 2,704, it ranks as the forty-second city in importance in the State. The towns of Whiting, Netawaka, and Circleville, in the northern portion, are places of much local importance.

MAP OF JACKSON COUNTY, KANSAS, 1888.



The general surface is undulating, with bluffs occurring on the west and south sides of streams. Bottom-lands average one-half mile in width, and cover 13 per cent. of the entire area.

Timber belts along the streams average from one-eighth to one-fourth of a mile in width, and contain the following varieties of trees: Burr, black and white oaks, shellbark and white hickory, black walnut, ash, box-elder, sycamore, cottonwood, buckeye, honey locust, red and white elm, linden, red bud, and mulberry.

The county is well supplied with small streams, none of them being rivers.

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It is well supplied with various kinds of building stone of a superior quality, although only developed to a slight extent. In the northern portion of the county white magnesian limestone of excellent quality exists, and is easily worked when first quarried, but becomes very hard on exposure to the atmosphere. A very hard, blue limestone is found in the central portion. Upon the high lands, in the southern, western, and central portions, a gray magnesian limestone is exposed. A bed of gypsum exists on Soldier creek, twelve miles west of Holton. Thin veins of coal are mined for local use in the eastern portion.

FARM AND CROP STATISTICS.

TABLE showing acres, product, and value of field crops in the county for 1887 and 1888.

CROPS.	1887.			1888.		
	Acres.	Product.	Value.	Acres.	Product.	Value.
Winter wheat.....bu.	1,911	19,110	\$ 11,466 00	1,056	17,952	\$ 12,566 40
Rye.....bu.	1,745	19,195	7,678 00	613	9,808	4,315 52
Spring wheat.....bu.	159	1,590	954 00	6	90	54 00
Corn.....bu.	60,442	1,208,840	423,094 00	86,533	3,720,919	1,153,484 89
Barley.....bu.	17	340	136 00			
Oats.....bu.	23,866	954,640	238,660 00	26,693	880,869	176,173 80
Buckwheat.....bu.	4	60	45 00	29	290	290 00
Irish potatoes.....bu.	1,504	120,320	90,240 00	1,303	102,600	46,170 00
Sweet potatoes.....bu.	20	2,000	2,000 00	10	250	250 00
Sorghum.....bu.	167		5,660 00	107		4,280 00
Castor beans.....bu.	21	210	189 00			
Cotton.....lbs.						
Flax.....bu.	14,724	147,240	125,154 00	8,955	71,640	64,476 00
Hemp.....lbs.						
Tobacco.....lbs.				2	1,200	120 00
Broom corn.....lbs.	20	12,000	420 00	17	8,500	297 50
Millet and Hungarian.....tons	5,519	11,038	55,190 00	4,516	9,032	36,128 00
Timothy.....	17,448			17,472		
Clover.....	3,048			1,081		
Orchard grass.....tons	276	*14,055	70,275 00	199	+14,470	86,820 00
Blue grass.....	809			690		
Other tame grasses.....	381			137		
Prairie, under fence.....tons	63,140	35,053	140,212 00	37,164	30,039	120,156 00
Total.....	195,230		\$1,171,373 00	187,248		\$1,705,582 11

* Product of 1886. +Product of 1887.

Wheat on hand--March 1, 1887, 4,073 bushels; March 1, 1888, 2,452 bushels.

Corn on hand--March 1, 1887, 181,300 bushels; March 1, 1888, 206,069 bushels.

LIVE STOCK.

TABLE showing the number, value, and mortality of live stock, for 1887 and 1888.

LIVE STOCK.	1887.		1888.		Mortality.	
	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	1887.	1888.
Horses.....	9,131	\$821,790 00	8,951	\$805,590 00	142	144
Mules and asses.....	953	95,300 00	1,165	116,500 00	17	14
Milch cows.....	10,445	208,900 00	10,785	215,700 00	155	180
Other cattle.....	20,299	405,980 00	22,317	446,340 00	277	312
Sheep.....	2,694	5,888 00	62	124 00	* 25	* 5
Swine.....	21,866	153,062 00	20,926	167,408 00	7,040	1,043
Total.....	65,388	\$1,690,420 00	64,206	\$1,751,662 00	7,656	1,698

* Including the number of head killed by dogs.

Number of dogs in county, March 1, 1887, 1,635.

Number of dogs in county, March 1, 1888, 1,732.

Herd law, not in force.

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SUMMARY

SHOWING the amount and value of farm products for the years ending March 1, 1887, and March 1, 1888.

PRODUCTS.	1887.		1888.	
	Amount.	Value.	Amount.	Value.
Field crops.....acres	195,230	\$1,171,373 00	187,348	\$1,705,582 11
Animals slaughtered and sold for slaughter		631,529 00		449,419 00
Value of the increase in live stock.....		18,333 00		39,376 00
Wool clip.....lbs.	694	134 92	200	36 00
Butter.....lbs.	378,790	56,818 50	382,765	53,587 10
Cheese.....lbs.	35	11 40	60	7 20
Honey and bees-wax.....lbs.	1,077	216 10	2,262	452 40
Milk sold.....		2,010 00		1,910 00
Horticultural products marketed.....		12,778 00		9,000 00
Wine manufactured.....gals.	506	506 00	1,345	1,345 00
Garden products marketed.....		2,129 00		5,420 00
Poultry and eggs sold.....		22,071 00		23,897 00
Wood marketed.....		6,968 00		6,953 00
Total.....		\$1,924,867 92		\$2,296,984 81

RANK OF COUNTY in population, assessed valuation, total value of farm products, acreage of wheat and corn, and the number of live stock named below, for the years 1887 and 1888.

YEARS.	Popu- lation.	Assess- ed val- uation.	Value of farm products.	Wheat, acres.	Corn, acres.	Horses and mules.	Cattle.	Sheep.	Swine.
1887.....	47	31	24	64	31	35	30 *	48	37
1888.....	46	34	21	81	31	35	25	97	26

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FRUIT TREES.	1887.	1888.	SMALL FRUITS—ACRES.	1887.	1888.
<i>Number of trees in bearing.</i>			Raspberries	22	17
Apple	155,981	96,343	Blackberries.....	27	14
Pear	699	624	Strawberries.....	14	9
Peach	21,899	15,557	Total.....	63	40
Plum	1,277	1,435			
Cherry	13,768	13,917			
Total.....	193,024	127,876	ARTIFICIAL FOREST.	1887.	1888.
			<i>Acres of trees one year old and over.</i>		
<i>Number not in bearing.</i>			Walnut	68	168
Apple	72,076	63,295	Maple	146	330
Pear	1,357	1,330	Honey locust.....	38	412
Peach	13,902	13,032	Cottonwood.....	72	237
Plum	1,369	1,230	Other varieties.....	42	93
Cherry	4,491	4,675	Total.....	366	1,240
Total.....	92,595	83,552	Acres in nurseries.....	127	373
			Acres in vineyards.....	39	60



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MECHANICAL AND MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.

NAME OF BUSINESS.	Number of establishments.....	Amount of capital invested.....	Motive power.....	Average No. of hands employed.	Total amount paid in wages during the year.	Value of	
						Raw material used.....	Product.....
Flour mills.....	2	\$27,000	Steam.	6	\$3,300	\$34,100	\$55,130
Planing mill.....	1	3,000	"	8	3,000	10,000	20,000
Total.....	3	\$30,000	.....	14	\$6,300	\$44,100	\$75,130

CHURCHES.

TABLE showing the number of church organizations, aggregate membership, number of church edifices, and the value of church property in the county, belonging to the denominations named, for 1888.

DENOMINATIONS.	No. of church organizations.	Aggregate membership.	No. of church edifices.	Value of church property.
African Methodist Episcopal.....	1	26	1	\$ 3,000
Baptist.....	5	264	4	7,950
Christian.....	5	270	4	7,800
Congregational.....	1	48	1	3,500
Episcopal.....	1	8	.....	.....
Methodist Episcopal.....	19	1,286	12	42,425
Presbyterian.....	2	240	2	12,000
Reformed Church.....	1	40	.....	400
Reformed Presbyterian.....	1	135	1	3,000
Roman Catholic.....	.....	829	3	.....
United Brethren.....	9	239	1	2,300
United Presbyterian.....	1	107	1	3,000
Total.....	46	3,492	30	\$85,375

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Number of organized districts, 86; school population for 1888, 5,096. Average monthly wages paid teachers: Males, \$59.38; females, \$30.27. Total value of school property in the county, \$89,300.

NEWSPAPERS.

The *Holton Weekly Recorder* (Rep.). M. M. Beck, editor and proprietor, Holton.
 The *Holton Weekly Signal* (Dem.). W. W. Sargent, editor and proprietor, Holton.
 The *Normal Advocate*, monthly (Educational). E. J. Hoenshel, editor and proprietor; J. J. Rippetoe, associate editor, Holton.
 The *Whiting Weekly News* (Republican). J. S. Clark, editor, publisher, and proprietor, Whiting.
 The *Soldier City Tribune* (Neutral). A. P. Shaw, publisher, Soldier.

BANKS IN COUNTY.

NAME OF BANK.	President.	Cashier.	Post-office address.	Paid-up capital.	Surplus.
Bank of Circleville.....	(Oursler Brothers)	C. A. Oursler.....	Circleville ..	\$ 25,000	.....
Exchange Bank.....	Samuel Newman..	J. Dickey.....	Holton.....	30,000	.....
First National Bank.....	T. F. Moore.....	J. P. Moore.....	Holton.....	50,000	\$15,000
Holton City Bank.....	(Drake & Taber) ..	Ira I. Taber.....	Holton.....	.....	.....
S. K. Linscott.....	S. K. Linscott.....	S. B. McGrew.....	Holton.....	100,000	.....
William R. Fisher.....	.....	.....	Holton.....	.....	.....
Alex. Dunn.....	Holton.....
Whiting Exchange Bank..	Charles Shedd....	L. M. Myers.....	Whiting ...	20,000

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List of county officers for 1888, with post-office address of each.

Officer.	Name.	Post-office address.
County Clerk.....	Ed. E. Birkett.....	Holton.
Treasurer.....	V. V. Adamson.....	Holton.
Sheriff.....	R. B. Francis.....	Holton.
Clerk District Court.....	C. E. Rose.....	Holton.
Probate Judge.....	M. L. Wilson.....	Holton.
Register of Deeds.....	J. H. Johnson.....	Holton.
Attorney.....	R. G. Robinson.....	Holton.
Superintendent of Schools.....	Sue D. Hoaglin.....	Holton.
Surveyor.....	M. Z. Jones.....	Holton.
Coroner.....	Dr. J. T. Scott.....	Holton.
Commissioners..	(S. E. Graves.....	Netawaka.
	W. A. Douglass.....	Denison.
	P. Bryant.....	Holton.

POST OFFICES.

Adrian, Avoca, Birmingham, Circleville, Denison, Dunavaut,	HOLTON (C. H.), Hoyt, Larkin, Mayetta, Nadeau, Netawaka,	Ontario, Soldier, South Cedar, Straight Creek, Whiting.
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MAP OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, KANSAS, 1888.



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Is the first county north of the Kansas river and the second west from the eastern boundary of the State. It was one of the original Territorial counties, and was organized in 1855. It has an area of 568 square miles, ranks as the thirty-third county in population, and has 29.90 inhabitants to the square mile. The town of Oskaloosa,* situated east and a little south of the center, is the county seat, and has a population of 858. The city of Valley Falls, in the northwestern corner, is the largest city in the county, having a population of 1,245, and ranking as the ninetieth city in the State in size. Nortonville, Meriden, Winchester, Perry, Osawkie, and McLouth are all thriving towns. Grantville, Rockport, and Thompsonville are also places of local importance, doing considerable trade with the surrounding country.

POPULATION, VALUATION, AND INDEBTEDNESS.

TABLE showing total population, by townships and cities, for 1887 and 1888, and the assessed valuation and indebtedness of the county, total school district indebtedness, and the assessed valuation and indebtedness of the municipal townships, for 1888.

TOWNSHIPS AND CITIES.	Population.		Assessed valuation of the different kinds of property.				Total assessed valuation.	Indebtedness, July 1, 1888.
	1887.	1888.	Land.	Personal.	City lots.	Railroad property.		
The county.....	16,265	16,985	\$2,264,608	\$383,767	\$266,313	\$307,968	\$3,722,746	
School districts.....								\$27,740
Valley Falls city.....	1,272	1,245	\$945,758	\$77,593	\$86,794	\$212,283	\$722,428	85,000
Delaware tow'n.....	1,640	1,698					108,255	
Fairview town p.....		806	94,135	14,120				
Winchester city.....	482	370	261,452	49,915	30,880	68,964	411,211	25,000
Jefferson town p.....	1,103	1,384						
Grantville town.....		83	183,073	26,571	5,065	56,729	272,038	
Kaw township.....		744						
Perry city.....	316	372						
Thompsonville.....	36	36	198,593	39,939	16,517	67,918	323,067	
Kentucky tow'n.....	1,066	1,056						
Nortonville city.....	569	546	163,320	31,028	30,652	40,577	265,577	
Norton town p.....	738	843						
Osawkie city.....	408	308	167,695	23,344	10,040	60,522	261,601	10,000
Osawkie town p.....	853	1,161						
Oskaloosa city.....	888	1,057	215,185	39,009	45,302	77,320	376,816	49,000
Oskaloosa tow'n.....	1,081	858						
Meriden city.....	509	1,165	232,457	30,514	26,363	129,519	418,853	23,000
Rock Creek town.....	74	441						
Rock Creek to p.....	1,079	1,090						
Rural township.....			127,250	12,258	1,490	44,112	185,110	
Sarcozie town p.....		651	110,850	11,685			122,535	
McLouth city.....	229	341						
Union township.....	895	1,074	164,930	27,791	12,510	50,019	255,250	30,000
Total.....								\$249,740

The general surface of the county is an undulating prairie, with but few rough lands. The creek valleys average one-half mile in width, while the bottom-lands on the Kansas river spread out to a distance of two and one-half miles. These bottom-lands comprise about 15 per cent. of the total area.

Timber belts range from one-fourth to one-half mile in width, and contain the following varieties of trees: Cottonwood, oak, elm, maple, walnut, hackberry, and hickory. Springs are not numerous, and, at a depth of thirty feet, well-water can be reached in almost any portion of the county.

The Kansas river forms all of the southern boundary, except the eastern six miles. The Delaware river enters the county on the northern boundary, four and one-half miles east of the northwestern corner.