

Bypaths of Kansas History

A SHEEP DRIVE TO TEXAS

From the *Fort Scott Democrat*, September 29, 1859.

SHEEP.—Another drove, numbering nine hundred, bound for Texas, passed through Fort Scott Monday evening.

A WOMAN'S COURAGE

From the *Daily Kansas State Record*, Topeka, October 8, 1870.

Under the above head the *Solomon Valley Pioneer*, Lindsey, tells the following story of a plucky young woman:

"Mr. Talcott, of Genesee county, New York, came to this frontier some months ago, to homestead a claim, and settle here, leaving his wife and two children to follow him as soon as he had erected a house and got things ready for their reception. He sent for them in July last. Mrs. Talcott immediately disposed of such things as she did not require to bring with her, and purchased a wagon and team, and started, with only herself and two children, for her new home in the far west, where she safely arrived early last month; having teamed the whole of the enormous distance from New York to Kansas by her own unaided courage and energy, although she is only 26 years of age."

WHEN PRESIDENT GRANT VISITED POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY

From *The Kansas Daily Commonwealth*, Topeka, May 1, 1873.

FROM WAMEGO

THE PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION IN A COUNTY WHICH GAVE HIM A
ROUSING MAJORITY.

WAMEGO, April 25, 1873.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH:

Uncle Joe, an old resident of Pottawatomie county, at the reception of President Grant to-day, while the train was changing engines, stepped up to his excellency and said:

"Have we the honor as citizens of Wamego and Pottawatomie county of meeting President Grant?"

Grant—"You have sir, I am the president of the United States."

Uncle Joe—"Then let me inform you that we, the citizens of Pottawatomie county gave you a rousing vote last fall and now give you a rousing welcome."

Whereupon H. W. Cole, the proprietor of the Ames house, suggested that three cheers be given, which was responded to by a large assembly of ladies and gentlemen.

At Brookville, on meeting the K. P. express the president was called for and came out upon the platform. He conversed a few moments with the crowd, and as the train started all wished him a pleasant trip and a safe return.