

Water and wood-----The Post is supplied with water from the Arkansas River and numerous wells. Wood is furnished by labor of the troops.

Indians-----The nearest Indians are the Cheyennes and Arapahoes.

Mines-----None are known in the vicinity of the Post.

Communications-----Between Post and nearest town is by wagon road to Fort Hays, Kansas, on Kansas Pacific Railroad. Arkansas River not navigable at this point.

Reservation-----The reservation was declared by the President, under date of June 22, 1869,\* as described and announced in General Orders No. 17, Headquarters Department of the Missouri, dated May 29, 1868, and contains about sixty-eight square miles. Post trader R.M. Wright, appointed by the Secretary of War, October 7, 1870. Cemetery, two hundred feet square, inclosed by a board fence.

Description of the- The surrounding country generally is not adapted to  
Country, &c agriculture. The land is sterile and unproductive. Some of the land in the valley of the Arkansas may produce crops by irrigation. It affords excellent grazing. The grass is of the buffalo species. The land in the immediate vicinity is bottom land and rolling prairie. Gardens are a failure. No timber of any description nearer than from fifteen to thirty-five miles. Stone quarry within twelve miles. River rises in June, and continues high until middle of August; extreme rise, four feet; fordable at other times. Permanent ferry impossible, owing to the character of the banks. Climate, light, dry, and bracing. Seasons regular; average temperature for 1868, about 54°. Locality generally healthy. No settlements of any importance within ninety miles.

Garrison-----

Commanding Officer-

Source: Extracted from Outline Descriptions of the Posts and Stations of Troops in The Geographical Divisions and Departments of The United States - Compiled by Inspector General R.B. Marcy By Order of The General in Chief of The Army. Washington Government Printing Office 1872. p. 143.

\* Should be 1868. See other extract.