

We leave the boat and take the railway car. We thought the steamer sped too fast, but now we are *whirled* along, with only tantalizing glimpses of the splendor about us. The seething, boiling rapids below; struggling with fearful might to free themselves from their rocky confines, or in playful mood, toying with great mossy boulders; tossing snow-wreaths upon the dark green surfaces.

Upon the right the river-bottom is green as emerald dotted with large trees, their leaves bronzed, their branches twisted and gnarled, draped in gold-brown moss, which catches and holds the sunbeams in most bewildering way.

There are inland bluffs wholly concealed by a network of rich mosses, spray-like grasses and delicate drooping ferns.

Leaving the Lower Cascades the scenery continues grand and imposing. High jagged bluffs jut out four hundred feet above the river.

Look! a vista! where? away in the distance, a silvery mist rests upon dark lofty bluffs; and, rising from the mist, into the sky itself, is a broken shaft.

So the scenes shift, until the wild ruggedness dies out, and a sweet peacefulness replaces it.

Here the bright Willamette joins her nobler sister in the journey to the sea. Broad, clear and blue are the waters flowing around wooded islands, gaily decked in frost-touched garments. Reflected in the clear depths below, is all this rich beauty, as well as that of the glorious sunset sky.

We leave the proud Columbia with regrets and pursue our course up the Willamette.

Placid and restful are the scenes around us as we journey on.

The tinting of the foliage is most dainty and fairy-like, the coloring pale. Pink and cream have taken the place of crimson and orange. The sunset skies bend over the scene of calmful beauty.

"In the crystal deeps, inverted,
Swings a picture of the sky,
Like those wavering hopes of Aiden
Dimly in our dreams that lie;
Clouded often, drowned in turmoil,
Faint and lovely, far away—
Wreathing sunshine on the morrow,
Breathing fragrance round to-day,
Love would wander
Here and ponder—
Hither poetry would dream;
Life's old questions,
Sad suggestions,

* "Whence and whither?" through this stream."

TRAVELING THROUGH THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST.

On all the transportation lines in this country, with the exception of two stage lines, the traveling is done by daylight, so that the tourist and immigrant will have ample opportunity to see all there is to be seen. For a tourist a three months trip, say during the months of April, May and June, or from the middle of August to the middle of November, would not be any too much time. The sportsman ought to stay here six months if he wants to try his hand at all our different species of game. The best time for immigrants to come is early in spring, this will give them ample time to see the country, select a home and get it started before the winter rains set in.

Tourists should leave the steamship at Astoria, visit one or two of the salmon canning establishments which are always in full blast during the months of May, June and July. To one who has never seen the modus operandi of salmon fishing and canning it is alone worth half the expense of the entire trip to see it.

Stopping at Astoria will also give the tourist an opportunity to visit the oysterbeds of Shoalwater bay, at an expense of \$4.00 for the round trip. On his way back he can without loss of time and free of expense, examine the fortifications of the Columbia River and Cape Hancock Light, and view a grand combination of ocean, river and woodland scenery, to be seen nowhere else. If an extra day can be spared, a trip to Clatsop Beach at an expense of \$3.00 for the round trip, would give the visitor a glance at the Coney Island of Oregon. The trip from Astoria to Portland is accomplished in about 9 hours, including all stoppages, fare \$2.00. The trip is one full of interest, the steamer stopping a few minutes at nearly all of the fisheries on the Columbia river.

The scenery en route is very fine, a two or three minutes stop is made at Mount Coffin, (see illustration), half way between Astoria and Portland, it was named by Admiral Wilkes, who visited it in 1841, whilst a lieutenant of the U. S. Exploring Expedition. It is of basaltic formation, about 400 feet high, and had been an Indian burial place for ages, hence the name. From its summit which is easy of access, a fine view can be had of the rich farming lands in the delta between the Columbia and Cowlitz rivers.

Just before entering the Willamette river the traveler obtains a view of five snow peaks, namely: Hood (height 11,225 feet,) Adams (13,258 feet,) Jefferson (10,000 feet,) Ranier, (14,444 feet,) St. Helens (9,550 feet.)

In Portland, the metropolis of the Pacific Northwest, there is enough to see to make a two weeks stay a pleasant one. From here, round trip one day excursions at an expense of from 50 cents to \$1.00, can be made to the Falls and Locks of the Willamette river, at Oregon city, to the garrison at Vancouver, and other places of interest. The trip to the Cascades and return, a distance of 125 miles, can be made at an expense of \$5.00, in one day, on one of the Oregon Railway and Navigation Co's. floating palaces.

The grandeur and beauty of the scenery on this trip through the gorge of the Columbia to the Cascades is indescribable; artists and writers fail to do it justice. The famous Multnomah Falls, Rooster Rock, Cape Horn, Castle Rock (1,400 feet in height), and finally the Cascades, follow each other in an ever-changing panorama. To enumerate all places of interest in the Northwest would more than take up the entire space in this number. The tourist, having once set foot on the soil of the Northwest, will soon find that every minute of his time, even if a full three months be given to the trip, will be taken up in sight-seeing.

Rates of fare over the Oregon Railway and Navigation Co's lines and connections—first-class tickets only.

FROM PORTLAND TO EASTERN OREGON AND WASHINGTON.

Dalles	\$ 5 00	Umatilla	\$10 00
Wallula	12 00	Ainsworth, (N. P. R. R. Terminus) ..	13 00
Walla Walla ..	14 00	Penewawa or Almota	18 00
Lewiston, I. T. ..	20 00	Baker City	28 00
Canyon City	30 00	Dayton, W. T. ..	17 00
Pomeroy	20 00	Colfax	24 00
Spokane Falls ..	31 00	Boise City	45 00
Silver City, I. T. ..	55 00	Kelton (C. P. R. R.)	65 00

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THE OREGON AND CALIFORNIA

Railroad runs daily trains on the east side of the Willamette river to Roseburg, 200 miles, and on the west side of the Willamette river to Corvallis, 97 miles. To actual immigrants, half fare tickets are issued to all points in the Willamette valley.

WEST SIDE.			
Hillsboro	\$ 1 00	Corvallis	\$ 1 25
Forest Grove ..	1 50	North Yamhill ..	2 00
McMinnville ..	2 00	Derry	2 50
Dallas	3 50	Independence ..	3 00
Corvallis	4 00	From Corvallis to Albany by stage ..	1 00
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Oregon City ..	\$ 75	Albany	1 00
Salem	2 25	Albany	4 00
Halsey	5 00	Harrisburg	5 75
Junction	6 25	Eugene City	7 00
Drains	9 75	Oakland	11 25
Roseburg	12 25		