

and a tiny sheet of snow white spray, comes through, leaping and bounding over a precipice pure and pearly in its fall of some 500 feet, in its long descent resembling a thick column of that delicate illusion used for the veil of a bride. And but a short distance, another and another till we passed four, one of which rushing in torrents some 800 feet before breaking its fall, the volume of water being large the effect was most delightfully enchanting. On the opposite side, the formation is peculiar as terrace after

this same beautiful panorama continues to unfold its changes, yielding new treasures from nature's wealth and showing fresh beauties till the Cascades are reached.

UNION COUNTY, OREGON.

This, one of the famed Eastern Oregon counties, offers splendid inducements to immigrants, who seek homes in a country where land is cheap, health excellent, and chances for industrious men to make money, good.

foot hills, and close to timber. Consequently we have a heavy belt of settlement, extending entirely around the valley, and in the midst of each of these heavy settlements, may be found small towns from which the people draw their supplies in the way of local trade, Union, Cove City, Summerville, Island City, Oro Dell, and La Grande, being the principle points. Union, the county seat of Union county, is the largest and most flourishing locality of any of the points named, and the prospects for its rapid growth, and the open-



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terrace some 30 to 40 feet apart, with patches of green trees, which looks as if man's hand had been aiding nature, so unusual does it seem. Here and there are some beautiful little islands dotting the river, clad in nature's green carpeting so bountifully, as if tropical wealth had here been borrowed to enrich those closely twisted evergreens that cling to the branches of the trees as they bend gracefully over, dipping them in the rushing waters below.

Onward and onward still we sail and

Grand Ronde valley is about 30 miles long, by 30 miles wide, and is entirely surrounded by lofty mountains, along the foot hills of which may be found excellent timber for building and fencing purposes, that can not be surpassed by any country on the face of the globe. The timber consists principally of fir, pine and tamarac. The settlements that have been made since this valley was first occupied by the whites, has been principally confined to the tillable lands lying near these

ing up of many business enterprises, are very flattering. Here an excellent water power may be found, that can not be surpassed anywhere.

There yet remains very extensive tracts of arable and tillable lands in this county, that are subject to pre-emption and homesteads, and families desiring to procure good homes, can find opportunities here, that, in a very few years will be numbered among the things of the past. Splendid tracts of land now lie vacant, that, within a few years, are destined to become very valuable.