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## OUR RESERVED RESOURCES.

Strangers passing through our eity often ask "Will your billsides ever be cultivated?" In-setling the question thas started, one fact to worth a thousand arguments. Let us accept the facts for answer. Agricultare on our het pronounced a sucuess. A fleld ditched in 3 on the sidehill near Fire Mite Creek, and nown wihh oats, did not pay. On the other hand, we find farmers on the creeks slowly Lextending their tilinge to sidehill benches \$ with manifest profi.

Tuere is a family now making a bome abou iwo miles soath of our town, in a depression umong the hills, which bas no surisce wase in summer; but in which n well ot ordinary depth gields water, as wells ordinarily do The garden was good last sumber withou - irrigntion; yieided au abundance of good melons and otber earden produce, among whieh An orehard, too, ban been commenced, and this fall the expariment atill farther extended $f$ in a trinal with winter wheat. Mr. Brooks thinks it already a success, as it stauds.

Let us now suppose a good woolen factory at this place of ours we enll the Dallees. Man
bheep, and would be at no loss to know ho to take care of them. Hundrede of others would find pleasant spots nmong our hills now deemed ustennble. The really productive age need se no more than the grass: the tillorchard, a garden, enough graio in the shear to guard a flock of abeep from a possible se rere winter, and a competence becomes a get nnswer for Wasco County the oth-renesay inquiry, "What are your hillsidea good for?"

New Oynalasdo Laxs. - Mry. Lawrence, the Special Mail Agent, hans recently been in Montana, attending to postal affirs. He favors the establ shment of a maill line from Walla, running through the M Antana mines. The only objection tuat can be raised to this route is, that it rans $t 00$ close to the establisted overland mail line. If the people of this point, and secure the influence of on Nor h-West, they might have an line established from SL. Paul to their place, to come on down the Columbia to this place. A comparison of the di tance will give the more norikern route the preference. Fom
Omata to Virginia City is 1030 miles; from thence to Wa la Walla 565 miles-total 1593 mite. From Walla Walla to Hellgate is 470 miles; from thence to Fort Benton, 140 miles from thence to St. Paul, Minnesota, 80 miles - total, 1410 miles. The northern route has no consijerabe elevations until the Boeky Mountains are reacned, and these are crossed by the most favorable pass in 'he antire range. A large cut off may be made by keepleg alke puring into the avoid River. A project of this nature will commend itself to the representatives of the NorthWest, who will look upon tias a preliminary step to the construction of that great northern line of railway, which is to secure the China and India trade. The sigaificance of auch an enterprise would be to porat the at tention of the great capitalists to the rail way project, and give it that prominence
which its feasibility deserves,

Now Yonk a Owhers Gold \& Sthvah Mix Company are pusting the mill intended to work some of the best lodes in Owghee to a speedy completion. The dimensions of the mill buiding will give some iden of the magnitude of the Company's works. This is 68x7t, and 45 feet in height. Quartz to run this mill is tuken from the Minuesota, Columbia nud Hays \& Ray lodes. Crushing will commonce about the middle of Decenber.
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