

Cairns at the Coast

Thomas, Washington, Sept. 7, 1909.

When we left Lewiston Mr. Taylor insisted that we should stop at Spokane and visit his sister, Mrs. F. M. Loomis, and his brother H. E. Mrs. Loomis met us at the depot, and took us to the home of her son-in-law for dinner. Mr. Loomis is a carpenter and was at work some distance from home, so we did not see him. He is a younger brother of Uncle Ben Loomis of Mt. Hope, and was one of my wife's pupils when she taught school many years ago. In the afternoon with Mrs. Loomis we boarded an interurban train and were soon at the home of her brother "Hib" at Greenacres, fourteen miles from Spokane. Everybody in West Grant knows Hib Taylor. He came here two or three years ago, bought six or eight acres of fine level land, built a fine house and barn and some fine chicken houses. He planned most of his land to fruit trees, and while they are growing, raises all kinds of small fruits and vegetables between the rows. The land is very gravelly, but when irrigated grows everything luxuriantly. His son-in-law, Fred Fischer, lives close beside him. He is engaged in the insurance business and is away from home most of the time. We are not sure but "Hib" would rather be back in Bloomington, and his good wife Mary doesn't hesitate to say she would, but they will no doubt like it better when better acquainted. They live in a beautiful place.

Next morning with Mrs. Loomis we went back to Spokane. She showed us round the city, and took us to see the falls. These interested us very much. From a bridge below the falls we had a fine view of them. They are not, strictly speaking, falls, but rather a series of falls and rapids. The water falls straight down in places, then runs on an incline tumbling and foaming among rocks, then makes another leap and again an incline. This being the shape of it, the water can be used several times in its descent. When the river is high the scene must be one truly magnificent and sublime. There are many large flouring mills here, at least one large sawmill, and various other manufacturing plants. A large part of the power is used to generate electricity, which is used, not only in Spokane, but also in the country around for many miles away.

Our next run was to Thomas, a small village twenty miles south of Seattle. The country from Spokane along the railroad, to the Columbia river is a dreary looking waste, entirely under the dominion of sagebrush and dust. It was the most unpleasant part of our trip so far. After crossing the Columbia we were soon in the Yakima valley. This is a fine country, but much of it is yet unimproved, but in the future when water is got on to it, will blossom like the rose. Near Yakima and North Yakima the country is improved and watered and not only raises fine fruit, but nearly every other agricultural product. Yakima has a fine exhibition at Seattle. We crossed the Cascade mountains in the night and no doubt missed some fine scenery. We arrived at Thomas at midnight and went to the home of F. A. Bowen, where we have been for nearly two weeks. Mr. Bowen was a poor Mt. Hope boy nearly forty years ago and was one of my wife's pupils, and lived several years with her brother, Dr. Howes. He went from Mt. Hope to Kansas, thence to California and then to Seattle, where in company with three other men he engaged in the manufacture of candy and crackers, and became quite wealthy. He now lives twenty miles from Seattle because he prefers that to city life, and is engaged in the real estate business. He has a fine automobile, and the road to Seattle is perfectly level and as fine as one could ask for, and he has toted us to the city and back again nearly every day we have been here. One day he spent in running us about the city. We have been at the Exposition four days. The buildings are just as pretty as at Chicago, and the grounds much prettier, we think, the flowers alone are a show. But in size and bulk the windy city far surpassed it. The exhibitions in the various buildings are very respectable, many of them fine. The exhibition of farm products, the products of the mines, fruits, and fine woods predominate, and are arranged in the finest style of the art. The exhibition as a whole is one that its projectors need not be ashamed of.

One day we went across the bay, twelve miles, to the U. S. navy yard, hoping to see some large war vessel in the dry dock, but were disappointed; a cruiser had just gone out, and the dock was empty. A torpedo boat, and the warship Oregon were lying at the wharf waiting to go into the dry dock for repairs. The distance from Seattle, through Puget Sound and Juan de Fuca strait, to the Ocean is perhaps 150 miles, so we didn't see the broad Pacific.

Seattle is a great city. They claim for it over 300,000 population and it is growing rapidly. It is built on very broken land. Rome was built in seven hills, and we dare say that Seattle is built on as many or more.

Many of its streets are sharp inclines. In the midst of the city nestled down among the hills is beautiful Lake Union, and a little east of the city is larger Lake Washington. From a high tower on one of Seattle's hills we had a fine view of the city and bay, and but for the smoke, might have seen four or five snow-capped mountains from the same point. Later we saw the glacier capped top of Mt. Rainier dimly through the smoke.

From Seattle to Tacoma is forty miles. A broad fertile valley lies between them. Midway between the cities, land is worth from \$300 to \$500 per acre, and higher near the

Three or four years ago Mr. Bowen and his partners bought a 250 acre farm twenty miles south of Seattle for \$200 per acre; they broke it up into five and ten acre lots and sold it for more than double what they paid for it. We said to Mr. Bowen that such prices surely could not continue, but he thinks it will go higher, because in all this western country the amount of good land is quite limited.

To Portland will be our next run, which is the end of our journey outward. From here we will make the home run, stopping several places on the way.

Alex. Cairns.

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William Kizer, conductor, Des Moines, was killed, and many persons were hurt, some of them fatally, by an interurban car striking a street car on a trestle. Peter McCurdy, motorman, whose legs were cut off, died on the way to the hospital.

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Miss Emma Taggart, daughter of Thomas Taggart, was injured in an auto accident near Bedford, Ind., late yesterday. She was thrown against the canopy of the machine and seriously cut in the head.

It is the height of cruelty to send children to school on circus day.