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where there is the most bountiful natural rainfall. The reason for this is not deep or hidden, however. It is simply a case of having the water at all times when and where it is wanted. A great deal of the development of this region may be accredited directly and indirectly to the Union Pacific, the first road to invade this region.

**Hardships for Pioneers.**  
 The pioneers who first settled these states were obliged to journey weary distances, and an ox team or a pair of mules or horses and canvas-covered wagons, were the only means of conveyance. It used to take the mail coach thirty days to make the run from Salt Lake to Omaha, and the country swarmed with Indians in many places along the route. In any of the western states traversed, there were no railroads; the river towns on the Missouri river were better off by reason of steamboat service, but this was somewhat irregular and not always satisfactory.

The coming of the railroad brought thousands of immigrants, who reached their destination cheaply, and these brought under cultivation millions upon millions of acres of land. It also attracted men who developed the vast mineral resources of gold, silver and copper, coal, iron, etc. All the machinery needed for mining had to be hauled by wagon at great expense, and the quick, cheap and sure service of the railroad placed producers next door to the whole world.

And the people who raised all kinds of crops could now sell their products 2,000 miles distant; even to European countries. Nearly all the higher grade apples raised in Oregon are now sold in London, where they command very high prices.

**Towns Spring Up.**  
 As soon as the railroad came towns sprang up almost overnight; people came from far distances to settle; great acres of land were cultivated; the farmer became sure of a market; a new and vital energy developed along many lines because the settlers were put in close touch with the outside world; distance was no longer thought of, for the railroad brought their former neighbors to visit them, carried their freight and took them on journeys which, were it not for this strong friend, would have been as impossible as if they were held fast in a wilderness.

The line of the Union Pacific passes through country full of interest unparalleled for him who enjoys the beauties of nature. Leaving Omaha one has first an opportunity to admire the thriving towns and cities of the great Cornhusker state and meanwhile to marvel at the fertility of its fields and valleys.

**Marvelous Sights.**  
 Crossing the border line into Wyoming he is whisked through a wonderfully scenic country, gaining an excellent view of Granite Canyon, the continental divide and the thousand and one other sights of this interesting western state. Utah furnishes its share of thrills for the sight-seer. Here one's admiration is attracted by Castle Rock, Hanging Rock and the multitude of other natural wonders with which the country is replete. At the same time, for he who is historically inclined, every foot of the great route is pregnant with interest, having been the scene of many interesting incidents in the life of the country.

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