

AN AUTUMN JAUNT.

ACROSS THE CASCADE MOUNTAINS TO SPOKANE FALLS.

A Close Inspection of this Wonderful Little City - Corner of Alene Lake and the Old De Smet Mission.

On Monday, October 3, the writer was one of a party of excursionists who left on the morning train for a trip over the Cascades to Spokane Falls, in Eastern Washington.

Nearly the entire day was consumed in climbing the mountains, at times on trestles and bridges from which the passengers looked down into deep and dark chasms, and on other occasions around the base of mountains in close proximity, reminding the beholder of the sinuous movements of the serpent.

The rugged nature of the country to the westward of the Cascades, which many readers of the Post-Intelligencer are familiar with, and therefore needs no further description.

At about 7 a. m. on Thursday, the 10th inst., the excursionists, who were followed by a grand band of music, started on their journey to the westward.

Invitations had previously been extended to the visitors through their entertainers to visit the interesting localities of the city. Accordingly, immediately after dinner, all proceeded in carriages, first to the hospital.

The party next visited the fair ground (which included the race track), the boulevard and Spokane college, the latter a non-sectarian institution.

The drive led to the doors of the Spokane college, which comprised two large buildings, one of brick and the other of wood.

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into requisition to convey the guests to the reception, where all safely arrived at about 9 o'clock. Here the visitors were entertained by a band of music, and two hours were spent in animated conversation.

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