

pipe near the present one.

From Mill station it is 2.5 miles to

LAKE VIEW—situated just south of the southern rim of the Washoe Valley, in the gorge above alluded to. Soon after leaving the station, we pass into a tunnel, through a projecting cliff, which shoots out from the right, and comes out on the side of the mountain overlooking the beautiful Eagle or Carson Valley. Away in the distance, four miles away, can be seen Carson City, a little further, Carson River, and beyond both, the mountains, just beyond which is Walker's River, and then Walker's Lake.

Winding and descending around the side of the mountain, through numerous rocky cuts, a distance of 4.6 miles from Lake View, we arrive at

CARSON CITY—the capital of the State of Nevada. It is situated in Eagle Valley, on the Carson River, at the foot of the eastern base of the Sierras, and contains about 4,000 population; is 31.1 miles south from Reno, and 21.1 miles southwest from Virginia City. It is the oldest town in the State, and has a good many fine private and public buildings. The town is tastefully decorated with shade trees, and has an abundance of good water. The United States Branch Mint of Nevada is located here. The capital is located in the center of a Plaza, and is surrounded by an iron fence. It is two story and basement, made of cut stone.

Carson is a busy city, has some good blocks of buildings, several good hotels, chief of which is the Ormsby; four churches, five schools, two daily newspapers—the *Morning Appeal* and the *Nevada Tribune*. Here are located the machine shops of the Railroad Company, and several manufactories. Carson City is in the center of the best farming land on Carson River, and the best in this part of the State, and is the distributing point for a vast amount of freight, destined for the southern mines.

To the south of the city, comes down the large "V" flume from the Sierras, via. Clear Creek Canyon, owned by the Railroad Company through which thousands of cords of wood and millions of feet of lumber are landed at Carson weekly. Four and six horse coaches leave Carson daily, carrying passengers, mails and express. From Carson to Monitor, the distance is 46 miles, and to Silver Mountain, in Alpine county, Cal., 54 miles; to Bishop's Creek, 192 miles;

Benton, 150 miles in Mono county, Cal., Sweetwater, 73 miles, Aurora, 105 miles, Bodie, 119 miles, Mariette, 145 miles, Bellville, 155 miles, Candelaria, 165 miles, Columbus, 173 miles and Silver Peak, 228 miles in Esmeralda county, Nevada.—To Independence, is 234 miles; Lone Pine, 252 miles, and Cerro Gordo, 274 miles, in Inyo county, Cal. The fare to these places averages about 15 cents per mile. A stage also runs to Genoa and Markleville, and in the summer to Lake Tahoe, at Glenbrook, 15 miles. This line connects at Tahoe City, with stages for Truckee, the Summit, and also with the new line over the mountains to the Calaveras Grove. Leaving Carson, our course is to the northeast, across a broad bottom. To the right, about two miles distant, beside a round butte, is a large building—a huge boarding-house—conducted by the State. The guests are numerous, and are not inmates of their own *free will*, but by due course of law, and when the law is satisfied, it is hoped they will leave this STATES PRISON and become better citizens.

Near the prison are the Carson Warm Springs, where are ample accommodations for bathing.

LOOKOUT—is the first station from Carson, 1.1 miles distant, but our cars lookout not to stop, and 1.3 miles further, brings

EMPIRE—This is a town of about 1,000 population, situated on the north bank of Carson River. Here are located the big Spanish or Mexican mill, on the right, then the Morgan or Yellow Jacket mill, and then the Empire. Passing on, down the bank of the Carson, we curve around the point of a bluff, pass the Brunswick mill on the left, near the station of the same name, 1.3 miles from Empire. Soon the valley is crowded out, and we enter a canyon, with the river to our right, just below, as we are now climbing up a heavy grade. To our right, but far below, is the Vivian, and the Merrimac mills, nearly one mile from the Brunswick. Continuing on up, still upward, we come to the Santiago mill, 1.8 miles further. This mill is situated about 500 feet below the road, on the right, and almost under it. Shutes run from the track above to the mill below, for dumping ore or coal. The road is now far up on the side of the mountain, much of the way blasted out from the solid rock, and very crooked. The canyon on the Carson River is far below, on the right, and soon will be lost to view.