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Another route, in some respects preferable is by way ~~of~~ of the Elo-ka-min, a stream emptying into the Columbia just below Cathlamet, ~~and~~ about 25 miles above Astoria. This ~~stream~~ heads with the South fork of the Chihalis ~~& probably not not far from Grays river~~, and in the opinion of Judge Strong of Cathlamet, is ~~a~~ perfectly practicable. ~~route~~ It would have this advantage ~~of~~ over the Grays river route that its terminus would be at a regular landing place of the river Steamers & accessible at all seasons of the year.

~~In surveying this it would be preferable~~