

# THE MILWAUKEE'S EXTENSION.

Proposed Westward Line May Be the  
First Step Toward Reaching  
the Pacific Coast.

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BELLEFOURCHE, S. D., May 30.—The Milwaukee Road is building an extension of 300 miles into Montana from Evarts, S. D., the present western terminus of the road. Preliminary surveys were made some years ago. The road crosses the Missouri River at Evarts, following up the Grand River, crossing the Little Missouri, and going down Powder River and eventually striking the Missouri again at Miles City, Mon.

Several weeks ago a party of engineers were discovered going over the old route, making preparations for beginning work. They have now acknowledged they are in the employ of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul, and say that work will begin on the extension this Summer. The country through which the new line will run is one of the greatest stock-producing territories in the country, the Northwestern and Northern Pacific each hauling thousands of carloads yearly. It is necessary, however, to drive the stock some 150 miles to the railroads, so isolated is the range.

It is said the engineers have intimated that the present line is the beginning of the Milwaukee's long expected extension to the Pacific coast.

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