

Great Falls, Mont.

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Will Johnson to "Major."

"The townsite is owned by J.J.Hill and Paris Gibson. They have one of the largest water powers in the country with a splendid grazing and farming country around it, coal not far distant and pine on the rivers. They will have a railroad in there from Helena probably this year and the Manitoba will build there in a couple or three years. Mr. Hill is going out there next month with his Engineer to locate the dam and make preparations to improve the water power. There is a saw mill and flour mill there now and they say they

will put up a woolen mill this summer. The prospects of the town are first class and now is the time to go there if at all..."

"Great Falls is on the Missouri River at the junction of the Sun River about 45 miles from Benton and 90 miles from Helena."

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