

Luis Obispo, and southwest and west by the Pacific Ocean and Bay of Monterey. Area, 3,000 square miles. Assessed valuation of property for 1874, \$9,550,615. County seat, Salinas City. Principal towns—Carmelo, Castroville, Chualar, Monterey, Natividad, Santa Rita and Soledad. The resources are principally agricultural and pastoral, but minerals exist, which recent discoveries indicate to be of great value. Of the latter are cinnabar, coal, silver, gold, plumbago, marble, lime, granite, iron, asphaltum and other metals and substances of economic value. The mineral springs are numerous and important, the Tassajara Springs in the Santa Lucia mountains being known and visited by the Indians before the settlement of the country, and widely celebrated for their curative qualities. The great extent of bituminous slates and sandstones found in various portions of the county give hope of the existence of coal in corresponding quantities. Veins of cinnabar, quite rich in quicksilver, have been found in many places, and places of gold have been worked for a number of years, near the Mission of San Antonio. Silicious sand, of the purest quality, for glass making, is found in abundance on the coast, and constitutes one of the mineral resources of Monterey. From recent explorations and the geological formation, the opinion may be expressed that this may develop into as important a mining county as is in our particularly rich mining State. The topographical features are of rough mountains and broad plains, gently rounded hills and small valleys. Three principal ranges of mountains pass through it from northwest to southeast; the Sierra Santa Lucia bordering the coast, the Palo Srito Hills, or Sierra de las Salinas, forming the western boundary of the Salinas Valley, the Gabilan range on the eastern side of the valley, and forming the eastern boundary of the county. Beside these are numerous hills, leaving the valleys generally quite small. The principal valley is the Salinas, containing upward of half a million acres of exceedingly fertile land, producing immense crops of wheat and barley, one hundred and forty bushels of the latter grain having been grown on a single acre. Several of the large ranches of the valley yielded, in 1874, an average of forty bushels of wheat to the acre, some as high as fifty, and many above thirty bushels. The average of all was about thirty-five of wheat and eighty-one of barley. The total yield of wheat in the Salinas Valley for the year is estimated at 100,000 tons. A great portion of the valley, with the bordering hills, is devoted to grazing and dairying purposes, for which the whole country is very well adapted. The region embraced in the hills and mountains is very poorly supplied with water, but where this essential element is obtainable in sufficient quantities for irrigation, the most luxuriant vegetation is the result, and whatever belongs to a temperate or semi-tropical climate can be produced in perfection. The county is sparsely wooded, except in the mountains nearest the ocean, where pine, oak, laurel, madroña and cedar grow in considerable quantities. Monterey Bay indents the northern portion of the county, affording several good harbors, and landings are effected at Carmelo Bay and a few other points on the southern coast. The Southern Pacific Railroad has penetrated the county as far as Soledad in the great Salinas Valley, 143 miles from San Francisco, and from its terminus the Coast line of stages runs to Paso Robles, San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara to Los Angeles. At Salinas City the Monterey and Salinas Valley Narrow-Gauge Railroad connects with a line of 19½ miles, opens easy communication with the harbor of Monterey Bay. This gives easy access to the interior and all important points of the county, and cheap transportation for its products. The county boasts many men of wealth, the Assessor giving a list of seventeen persons whose aggregate assessed value of property in 1874 was \$2,714,680.

Officers: William M. R. Parker, County Judge; John Markley, Clerk; M. Farley, District Attorney; J. B. Smith, Sheriff; Herbert Mills, Recorder; J. B. Scott, Auditor; B. T. Nixon, Treasurer; M. A. Castro, Tax Collector; W. V. McGarvey, Assessor; R. L. Ripley, Surveyor; H. P. Tuttle, Coroner and Public Administrator; R. C. McCroskey, Superintendent Public Schools.

Montezuma, Nevada Co, P O address,
North San Juan, 9 miles n of Nevada City
Glassott John, hotel

Montezuma, Tuolumne Co, P O 8 miles
s w of Sonora
Fox Albert, postmaster and general merchandise
Hidelbeld William, blacksmith

Monticello, Napa Co, P O 27 miles n e of
Napa

Bonson L, barber
Cohen Morris, postmaster
Dallas James, carpenter
Fowler L H, blacksmith
Greenwood C N, carpenter
Humphrey E A, harness and saddlery
Lawrence L B, physician
McKenzie Alexander, blacksmith
Meyer M, shoe maker
Peacock E A, hotel
Seawell & Cohen, general merchandise
Van Nuy Isaac N, agent Wells, Fargo & Co
Welch C B, liquor saloon and butcher

Montserrat, San Diego Co, P O 60 miles
n of San Diego
Goldbaum Simon, postmaster and general merchandise

Libby B H, teacher
Veal William, general merchandise, (Pala Mission)

Mooney Flat, Nevada Co, P O address,
Smartsville, 16 miles s w of Nevada City
Baldwin William, blacksmith
Brown David, carpenter and builder
Miller Benjamin, carpenter
Rickey Israel, carpenter
Schmidt George, hotel

Moon's Ranch, Colusa Co
Merrill Nathaniel, postmaster

Moore's Flat, Nevada Co, P O 20 miles
n e of Nevada City
Blight & Co, liquor saloon
Caldwell Samuel, postmaster, agent Wells, Fargo & Co, and druggist

Day David, livery stable
Hagarty & Co, general merchandise
Hearn & Co, liquor saloon
Keating W F, physician
Kelstrop L G, furniture
Marks & Co, bankers
McNulty H, butcher
Miller B H, clothing
Morrow W R, hotel
Pueschel Charles, brewery
Shea John, hotel
Weiser Abraham, tobacco and cigars

Moore's Station, Butte Co, P O 12 miles
s of Oroville
Dunkum Chesley, general merchandise
Gazley H M, general merchandise and liquor saloon
Magoon & Enoch, liquor saloon
Maguire Byron, postmaster

Moore's Station, El Dorado Co, P O address,
Slippery Ford, 50 miles e of Placerville
Moores J T, hotel

Mooretown, Butte Co, P O address,
Forbestown, 17 miles n e of Oroville
Rogers George B, general merchandise
Rogers & Whittier, lumber manufacturers

Morgan, Lake Co, P O address, Lower
Lake, 35 miles e of Lakeport
Bond Harry, lime manufacturer and stock dealer
Fuqua J T & J, forwarding
Morrell & Reiffe, hotel
Palmer Jasper, cattle dealer

Mormon Bar, Mariposa Co, P O address,
Mariposa, 1 mile s of Mariposa
Bertken G, general merchandise

Mormon Island, Sacramento Co, P O 25
miles n e of Sacramento
Broder Jacob, wine grower
Broder Oswald, wine grower
Bugbey B N, wine grower
Henser George, wine grower
Nuttall John Jr, wheelwright
Perazzo John B, wine grower
Porter Charles, wine grower
Stephenson Thomas, postmaster, justice of the peace and groceries
Wild John, poultry dealer