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By its topographical features Humboldt County may be classed as entirely mountainous, the entire area being bisected and intersected by the numerous spurs of the Coast Range, which leave the main chain located along the eastern boundary of the county. Unlike many, and indeed a large proportion of the other mountainous portions of the State, in Humboldt no barren crests are found in even her loftiest ranges. Every peak bristles with timber and the slopes hold unlimited wealth of lumber in the gigantic forests found throughout and over all her ranges. This fact naturally causes the lumber industry to represent the one grand salient feature of the county's prosperity. Of the entire acreage of the county the timber lands take up over 1,200,000 acres, of which over 450,000 is redwood proper, with a productive capacity of over 100,000 feet per acre. The remaining timber land may be said to be fairly divided between pine, fir, spruce, cedar, madrone, black, white and live oak, and laurel. A realizing sense of the wealth contained in these enormous figures is readily obtained by the simple statement that the redwood supply of the county is greater than the entire remaining timber bodies of the States of Michigan, Minnesota, and Wisconsin combined. Engaged in the manufacture of lumber in the county are seventeen saw mills, nearly all of which have shingle and lath mills attached, and there are six mills which are devoted exclusively to the making of shingles. The value of the lumber exported during the past year was \$3,250,000, the quantity being over 70,000,000 feet. Labor in the mills and logging camps in Humboldt is munificently paid, reaching in the mills from \$26 to \$100 per month and found, and in the camps from \$40 to \$125 per month and found.

While the lumber industry is by far the predominating interest of the county, agriculture in the available portions of the county is equally remunerative. At present only about 35,000 acres are cultivated, the remaining portions aside from timber lands being devoted to stock and sheep raising. About all the farming lands at present developed, are found in the country adjacent to Arcata, on the bay for seven miles north of Eureka, and in the Eel River Valley twenty miles south of Eureka. The soil is rich and practically inexhaustible, the yield for oats being from thirty-five to ninety bushels per acre, for barley from thirty to eighty five bushels, for wheat from thirty to sixty bushels, and for potatoes from five to seven tons, the latter item—Humboldt potatoes—have for years been regarded and held as the best known to our California markets.

The moist climate prevailing along the shore always prevents a failure of crops, and whether relying on grain or fruit the Humboldt farmer is assured of a fair return for his labor, even in the seasons when other portions of the State suffer from failure in rain. The