

Ukiah Valley is the largest in Mendocino County; it is also one of the prettiest and most productive. It covers an area of 20,000 acres and produces large crops of cereals, hay and fruit. Besides there are about 25,000 sheep owned in this locality.

This is also a very fine locality for growing hops. About 150 acres are devoted to this at present. The income from this product is about \$75,000 per annum, the labor being chiefly performed by Indians.

We now come to Anderson Valley, a rich, well settled farming district, which contains two small villages, Christine and Booneville. Both are supported by the neighboring community and are thriving settlements.

From here we go to Knight Valley, a very fertile tract of land, devoted entirely to the growing of hay and cereals. Here we met Messrs. Knight and Long who kindly furnished us information. The former showed us, among other things, a very good looking cinnabar ledge on his farm.

We now reach Sanel, situated in Sanel Valley, 14 miles south from Ukiah. Sanel Valley is devoted to sheep and stock-raising. There are about 11,000 sheep in this Valley and large quantities of wool raised. It covers about 4,000 acres. Sanel is a small village, supported by the farmers of the locality. It contains a way-house, a saloon and a blacksmith shop. There are many wealthy farmers in this locality and to the casual visitor everything appears to be in a thriving condition. We wish to add that there are 95 acres of hops in Sanel Valley, producing an income of \$47,500 annually. The Valley is a very productive one, the soil being of an average depth of six feet.

On the left of Sanel Valley is McDowell Valley, a very productive tract of land, devoted to farming and sheep-raising. The surroundings are very pretty and the climate healthy.

In speaking of Ukiah, we omitted to mention the Vichy Soda Spring. It is three miles east of the town, in a very beautiful location. The approach offers some of the most wild, sublime scenery we have yet beheld. The hotel at the Spring is kept by Mrs. Pardon, and is very well patronized.

We now continue on our homeward trip to Cloverdale; thence to Santa Rosa, where we deliver our horses, meet our friends and bid our readers farewell.

In conclusion, Mendocino County will, in time, become one of the most important Counties of the State. Its resources are not yet developed, with the exception of the lumber interests. There being no railroad communication within the County, nor with the outside world, the farming interest languishes. The inhabitants clamor for railroads, and it will not be long ere their voice is heard and their wish fulfilled. Then a visit to Ukiah, a bear hunt in the dense forests of Mendocino, or a week of sea-bathing at Mendocino City, will be an easily accomplished and comfortable pleasure trip.

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We have now completed our trip through Napa, Lake, Sonoma and Mendocino Counties, carrying our readers to every point of interest. No doubt there are certain localities and unimportant places that we have not described. On the whole, we flatter ourselves sufficiently to believe that the general points of every place spoken of are correct; at least, we have endeavored to avoid being led into error, and have been careful to exaggerate nothing.

Our readers, more especially those acquainted with the different localities, may be the judges and we shall abide by their verdict.

To say that our work is perfect in all particulars would be presumptive; we believe, however, to have filled a long felt want in the Directory line, and hope that it will meet the expectations of our numerous patrons.

Respectfully,

THE PUBLISHER.