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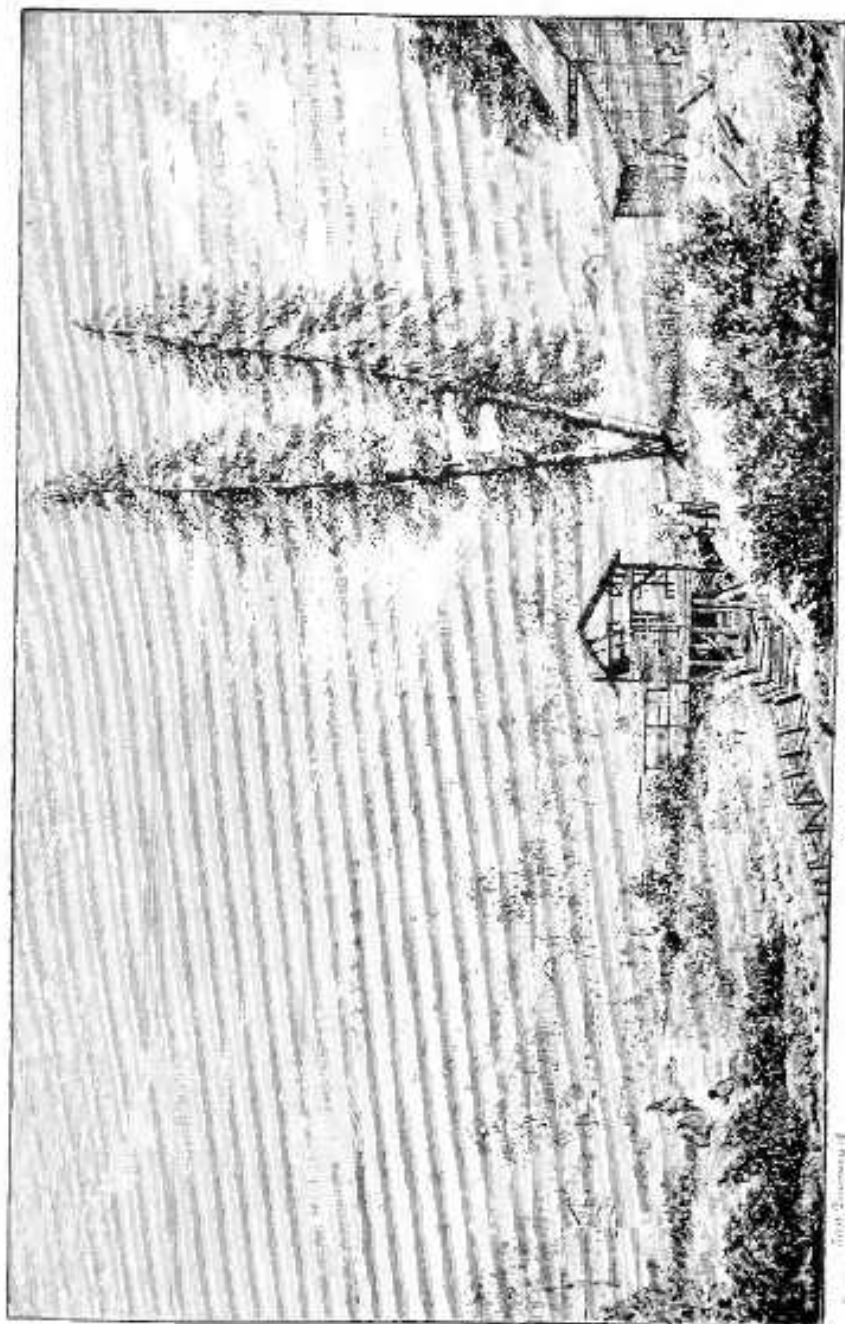
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PREFACE.

THE following "History of California" has been written to supply the public with a brief and reliable account of the progress of this State from the time of its first discovery to the present.

It is hoped that the concise relation of the many interesting facts contained in it, and gleaned from various sources, will commend it to all who are interested in the fortunes of the "Golden State."

LUCIA NORMAN.

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PREFACE TO SECOND EDITION.

THE first edition of "The Popular History of California" supplied a want not previously provided for. The book was well received, and, while the edition lasted, it was in active demand. A lapse of nearly sixteen years has since transpired, during which some of the most interesting events in the history of the State have occurred. This edition has, therefore, been enlarged and revised, so as to bring the history down to the present day. The essential feature of conciseness which ruled in the former edition has been adhered to in the statement covering the later period. It is therefore hoped that the volume in its present form will be deemed worthy of as cordial a reception as it received before.

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