

THE CALIFORNIA INDIANS.—The Secretary of the Interior, in his last annual report, says that the colonization system which has obtained in this State is expensive and radically defective. We take the following from his report on the subject:

"The colonization system, which was tried in California and Texas, under the direction of Congress, and from which I at one time hoped for the most favorable results, has proved an entire failure. It is expensive and radically defective. To promise for it any success, one of two modifications must be introduced. Either the overseer or agent must have a right of property in the products of the reservation and be allowed to retain, for his private use and benefit, the surplus which may remain after feeding and clothing the Indians; or each Indian must work for himself, and the idle and thriftless must be made to feel the effects of their idleness and unthriftiness, and to realize practically the difference between him who sows and reaps, and him who does not."

