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FORK OR KING'S LAKE.

There is a vast tract of land extending from the 35th to the 37th degree north latitude, between the coast range and the Sierra Nevada, represented by those who have visited it, as one of the loveliest and most fertile regions they ever saw, abounding with beautiful streams emptying into a large lake, known as Fork or King's Lake. The country, it is said, can be compared to a vast garden, covered with a variety of wild flowers of all colors, and well provided with timber. The springs or head waters of the San Joaquin are not far distant from this place. The Indians inhabiting that region are the only obstacle to its immediate settlement.

ARRIVAL IN CALIFORNIA.—*Extract from the Journal of an Emigrant.*

* * * * * On a calm bright morning in October, we paused for a few moments on the confines of California to enjoy the magnificent prospect around us. Stretching away in the dim distance, as far as the eye could reach, towered the lofty mountains of the Sierra Nevada,