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**THE INDIAN TRIBES OF TULARE VALLEY.—**  
 A correspondent of a Stockton paper, writing of the Tulare Valley, says: The Indians are almost as numerous as the grizzlies, and nearly as wild. There are no less than twelve distinct tribes, viz: Tachu, Nolontos, Huilmilenes, Chenooks, Intempeachus, Tuhckenash, Wichunres, Talumnes, Cahwros, Yokols, and Nolcumets. They speak different languages, though in dress and manners they differ little, if any. They all are captains, all steal, and all carry papers of recommendation.

One of the papers, if I recollect rightly, signed by "Squibob," was to the effect that "Capt. Mucho Grande is very good Indian, and the whites are requested to treat him well when he behaves himself, and when he don't, kick him." The skill of these Indians with the bow and arrow (the principal weapon) I can testify to, for though some of our party are very fair pistol shots, the bow and arrow invariable beat the revolver.

Game of all kinds is abundant—grizzlies, elk, antelope, and every species of wild fowl, are constantly in sight between the Four Creeks and King's river. This section of the country, except in King's river bottom, is not so rich as that immediately about the Cahwia. It might with propriety be called the burnt district, being almost always burnt over in the dry season. I noticed over much of it a remarkable abundant deposit of saleratus. In some places the country was white with it—lying to the depth of several inches.