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ing quartz lodes. Some of the mines there are considered very rich. Ninety miles south, at Columbus, are located the famous Borax mines of Nevada, said to be very rich.

consist mostly of gravelly upland covered with sage-brush. It is claimed that they might be rendered productive by irrigation, and the experiment has been tried in a small way, but with no flattering result.

The Piute Indians have two reservations; one is situated eighteen miles northward, and another to the southeast, at Walker Lake.

Leaving Wadsworth, we cross the Truckee River, on a Howe truss bridge, our course being to the southwest. This stream rises in Lakes Tahoe and Donner, which lie at the eastern base of the Sierras, about 80 miles distant. From its source in Lake Tahoe, the branch runs north for about twelve miles, when—near Truckee City—it unites with Little Truckee, the outlet of Donner Lake, and turns to the east, following that course until it reaches this place, where it turns north about 25 miles, branches, and one portion enters Pyramid and the other Winnemucca Lake.

The level lands bordering the Truckee