

The Island San Clemente is 30 miles further, a long, narrow strip of land, on which there is no water, where range thousands of sheep and goats, which seem to thrive better than on Santa Catalina Island, where water is abundant.

Returning again to Los Angeles, we start over the

San Diego Division.

Leaving Los Angeles, the course is the same as over the Wilmington route to Florence, six miles south, where our route turns to the left.

Leaving Florence, we cross the Los Angeles River, along which are some broad, rich bottom lands, passing large groves of eucalyptus trees, and 5.5 further come to

DOWNEY—This is a thrifty town of agriculturalists, about 500 in number, with some good buildings. The Central Hotel is the principal hotel. The country is flat, and vineyards and orange orchards are to be seen at different places, over which the waters of San Gabriel River are conducted in numerous canals and ditches

Leaving the station, we soon cross San Gabriel River, note the existence of many sycamore trees, some oaks and many "Gum-trees," and four miles are at

NORWALK—This is a new station, in the center of a broad fertile valley, with only the smaller portion under cultivation. Continuing on, over a grassy plain, where are a few trees, and a few alkali beds, we pass **COSTA**, 6.3 miles from Norwalk, and roll along through an improving country. The La Puente Hills are on our left, beyond which rise the San Gabriel Mountains. From Costa it is 3.6 miles to

ANAHEIM—Here we are at a live town of 1,500 population, which, from the car windows, presents a beautiful appearance, with its long rows of trees and beautiful fields. A run through the town will reveal the fact that it contains many fine buildings, some of which are devoted to merchandising, besides good churches, fine schools, two good hotels—the Planters and the Anaheim, and one newspaper—the *Gazette*. The town is embowered in foliage; tall poplar trees, cypress, eucalyptus, orange, pepper, castor bean, palm and many other trees are among the number seen everywhere.

Here we find extensive irrigating canals and a complete net-work of ditches, conducting the water through the streets and over the grounds in all directions. A great number of the private residences are

painted white, (not a very common thing in California,) and look very cheerful. Leaving Anaheim, we cross a sandy bottom, and then Santa Anna River, over a long bridge, pass **ORANGE**, a small hamlet on the left—where is a grove of planted trees—and 4.9 miles from Anaheim, and two miles further come to

SANTA ANA—This town is 33.3 miles southeast of Los Angeles, and about half a mile west of the depot, where is now the end of the road, and where a town is being laid off, called East Santa Ana. Santa Ana is situated about one and half miles south of Santa Anna River, and like Anaheim, is embowered in trees and surrounded by vineyards, orchards and the best of land, under a high state of cultivation. There are some large stores in the town and good brick buildings, several fine churches, good schools, three hotels—chief of which is the Santa Ana Hotel—one daily and two weekly newspapers; the *News* and the *Times* are weekly, and the *Free Lance* is a small, *live* daily.

Newport Landing is eight miles west of Santa Ana, where most of the steamers call, on their way up and down the coast. A good wagon road leads from Santa Ana to the Landing, and also extends eastward to San Bernardino, 40 miles distant. The road was built by the counties of Los Angeles and San Bernardino.

The new Black Star coal mines are situated about twelve miles northeast, and are said to be extensive and the coal of good quality. To the east is the high range of the Sierra De Santa Anna Mountains, on the eastern slope of which are located the Temeseal Tin mines.

Some of the lands surrounding Santa Ana and to the south and west for many miles, called "safe lands," will raise a good crop without irrigating, but the greater portion requires the water—to supply which a company is now engaged building a canal to take the waters of the Santa Anna River away to the eastward. The canal will be 18 miles long, and will furnish ample water for 20,000 acres of land.

Stages leave Santa Ana daily for San Juan Capistrano, southeast 24 miles; fare \$2.50; San Louis Rey, 65 miles; fare, \$5.00; also to San Diego, 100 miles, and all intermediate points.

SAN DIEGO—As this is reached from Santa Ana, the nearest point by rail and stage, it seems to be the proper place for a short description of the town. San Diego