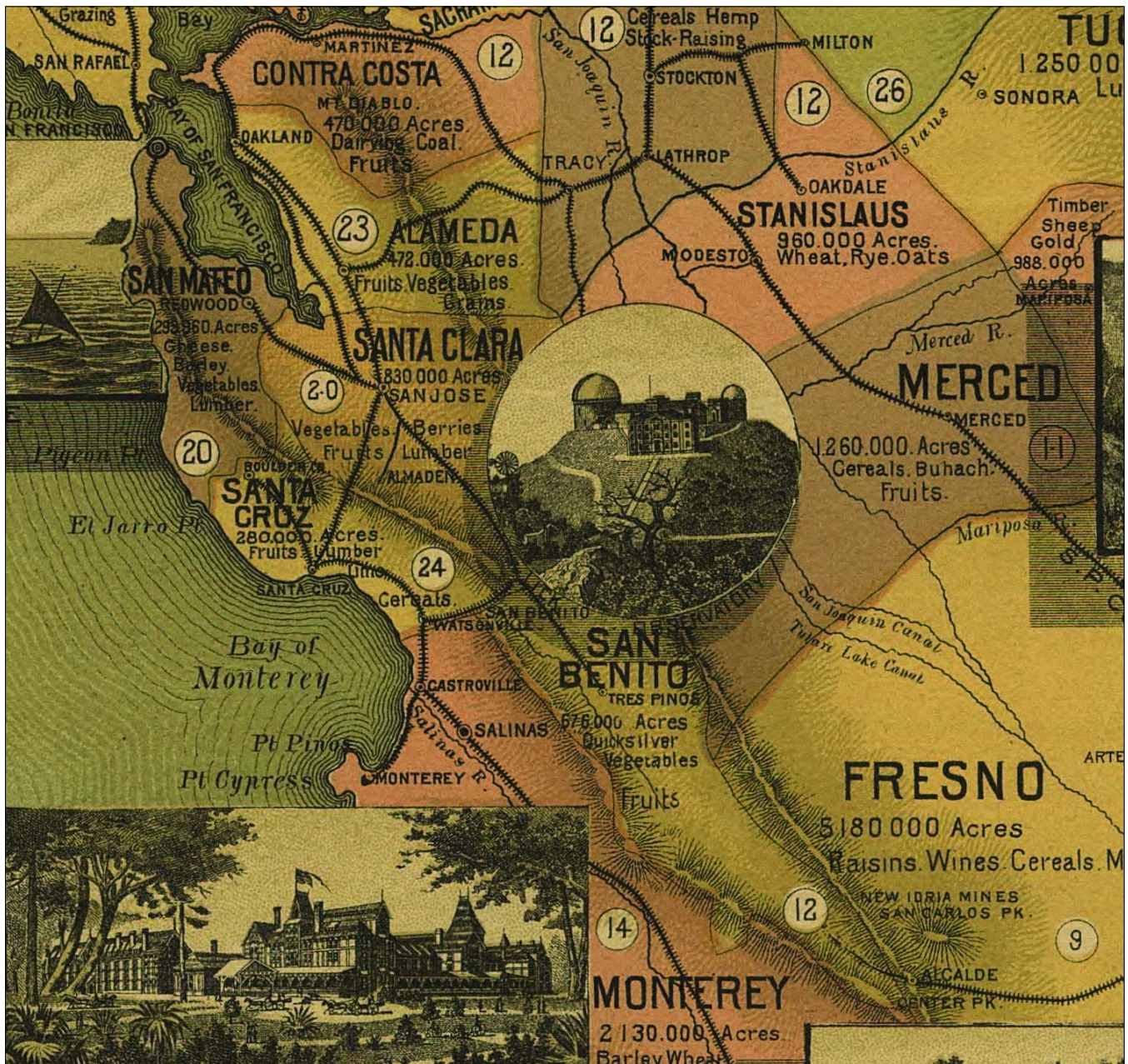


Mapping the Big Idea

Use this map and the Clues sheet to answer the questions below.



"The Unique Map of California," by E. McD. Johnston, 1888; Dickman-Jones Co. lithographers
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Locate the farming areas.

List what products were grown here. What other natural resources were available?

Which products do you think were transported around the nation?

Why were the railroad tracks built close to farming areas?

