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Forgotten Books, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book \*\*\*\*\* Print on Demand \*\*\*\*\*.Excerpt from Public Benefits Derived From Water Power Developments in California As the beds of these streams would rise it necessitated the construction of levees, involving the expenditure of many, many millions of dollars to protect the agricultural lands from inundation and finally resulted in national legislation, practically prohibiting this method of mining except under the most severe restrictions, involving the impounding of the debris. As a result, this industry ceased to be a factor in the State s production of wealth and left a number of these properties with their expensive hydraulic development almost valueless. After the cessation of hydraulic mining, the companies owning these reservoirs, flumes and ditches, were able to obtain a small revenue from a limited use of some of the water for irrigation purposes, and in time, as man became more conversant with its proper application, this use became more general; particularly in the irrigation of deciduous and citrus fruit trees. Shortly after the final cessation of hydraulic mining the development of the transmission of electrical energy for long distances was taken...



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