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## WISCONSIN DISTRICT

Wisconsin District was the name given to the placer diggings at Galena Hill. The gold was found in a range of gravel that extended from Washoe City to Huffaker's on the north, a distance of 10 miles.  $\frac{1}{}$ 

The gravel had been noticed by hundreds of California miners for years, but they seemed to have passed it by on the theory that there were no placer diggings on the east slope of the Sierra Nevadas. It was not until the spring of 1862 that the gravel was closely examined and found to yield gold in paying quantities. 2/

Nothing further was found regarding the placers and it is assumed that they did not develop according to earlier reports. No value is assigned to the Wisconsin District.

<sup>1/</sup> San Francisco Bulletin, May 9, 1862 (Vol. II, p. 141)
2/ San Francisco Bulletin, May 9, 1862 (Vol. II, p. 141)
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