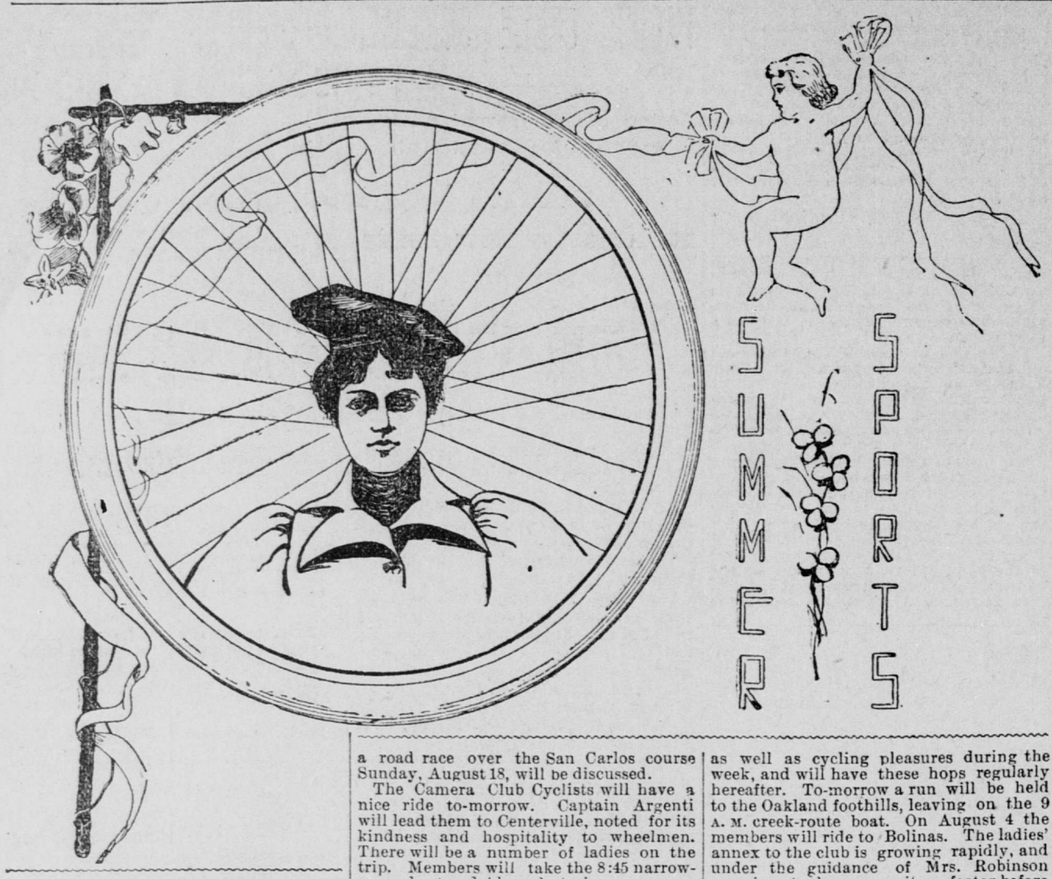

Camping parties are returning from the mountains and lion and bear stories will be in order for several weeks to come. The wheelmen will have a large number of road races to-day. Cycling is growing more popular daily. Lovers of coursing can now look pleasantly forward to a great open-stake meeting which will be held at Ocean View in September. Below will be found the latest news of interest in all lines of sporting.

THE WHEELMEN.

Entries and Handicaps for the Acme Wheelmen's Road Race.

CLUB EVENTS TO-MORROW.

Acme Club Wheelmen — Road race Fruitvale-Haywards.
Bay City Wheelmen—Run to Petaluma.
Camera Club Cyclists—Run to Centerville.
Crescent Wheelmen—Run to Haywards.
Crescent Road Club—Run to Camp Taylor.
Garden City Cyclers—Run to Alviso.
Golden Gate Cycling Club—Blind run.
Liberty Cycling Club—Run to Oakland foothills.
Outing Road Club—Run to park.
Olympic Club Wheelmen—Run to Haywards with Merton Duxbury.
Pacific Cycling Club—Run to Laundry Farm.
Royal Cycling Club—Run to park.
San Francisco Road Club—Blind run.
San Jose Road Club—Run to Alviso.

There will be a big road race over the ten-mile course from Fruitvale to Haywards to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock between the members of tha Acme Club Wheelmen. This club is noted for its fast road-riders, and to-morrow's event will be exciting and closely contested, as the men are all well trained and will ride their best. The following are the entries and handicaps: W. A. Burke, C. M. Castleman and G. A. Nissen, scratch; O. L. Pickard, J. H. Otey, H. Hutchinson, 2½ min.; H. W. Phillips, B. E. Elford, A. H. Agnew, William Greavs, George Brouillet, 3½ min.; J. E. Scott, E. A. Rogers, A. C. Hewlett, 4 min.; George Humphrey, B. J. Sears, L. W. Sherman, 5 min.; J. A. Chyner, S. Archer, C. Lauffin, J. L. Wetmore, 5½ min.; T. C. McKinstry, M. E. Laubratich, 6 min.

With twenty-three such good men in a road race it should be well worth witnessing. Burke is said not to be very well and may not show up as well as his record warrants. The others are all right and the pace will be hot from start to finish.

The Crescent Athletic Club Wheelmen of Berkeley will hold a one mile track race for club members at the Oakland Trotting Park on Sunday, August 4. The club should be warned not to give any prizes for this event, as it would be a violation of a rule which the League of American Wheelmen is strict in enforcing and would result in all the riders being suspended for thirty or sixty days. To-morrow the club will have a run to Haywards to see the Acme road race.

Next in importance to the Acme race comes the big joint club run of the Bay City Wheelmen and Imperial Cycling Club to-morrow to Petaluma under Captains Dodge and Johnson. The men will take the 8 o'clock Tiburon ferry and train to San Rafael, riding from there to their destination, some twenty-two miles away, over a rolling country and good roads. The Bay Citys will turn out fifty men easily and the Imperials as many more. What the effect will be on quiet Petaluma when these hundred noisy cyclists reach there is not hard to imagine. Some of the men will ride home after lunch and others will take the train.

R. M. Welch of the Racing Board will undoubtedly suspend F. C. Heineman and E. C. Barley from the L. A. W. for one year for racing against each other last Sunday when he had expressly advised them not to do so. Several of the papers have taken this up as though it was a matter of great concern. Had the riders in question been crackerjacks it might have been a loss to the sport; but they are only ordinary class A handicap riders at best, with minor reputations for speed. It is well that the racing board can use them as "terrible examples" to the racer who dares disobey its mandates. Chairman Welch has proved himself by long odds the most efficient representative of the Racing Board we have ever had out here, and his decisions are much admired for their impartiality and fairness.

The Crescent Road Club will hold a run to Camp Taylor to-morrow. The start will be made from the clubrooms, 811 Octavia street, at 7:30 A. M., taking the 8 o'clock Sausalito boat and train to San Anselmo. This is one of the prettiest trips near San Francisco, and the ride is very easy.

Under the guidance of Captain F. W. Paulson the Pacific Cycling Club will ride to Laundry Farm to-morrow, starting on the 9 o'clock broad-gauge boat.

Merton Duxbury will start on his long return trip across the continent to-morrow morning, leaving from Seventh and Market streets at 9 A. M. A large number of wheelmen will be there to see him off, and he will be escorted a short distance by the Olympic Club Wheelmen. There is no truth in the rumor that Duxbury is to return here next spring to ride in the Olympic's relay team. Duxbury will take the 9:30 boat to-morrow morning, and wheel via Livermore to Stockton, where he is to meet T. R. Lillie, the holder of the present transcontinental record, which Duxbury is going to try to break. Then he will ride to Sacramento, and from there follow the Central Pacific Railroad tracks to Ogden. From this point his route is not positively mapped out. The record he will try to beat is fifty-nine days from San Francisco to New York, and Duxbury thinks he can bring it down to fifty-four days.

There will be an important meeting of the Olympic Club Wheelmen Tuesday evening, July 30. The question of holding a road race over the San Carlos course Sunday, August 18, will be discussed.

The Camera Club Cyclists will have a nice ride to-morrow. Captain Argenti will lead them to Centerville, noted for its kindness and hospitality to wheelmen. There will be a number of ladies on the trip. Members will take the 8:45 narrow-gauge boat and Alameda train.

The Racing Board has issued its bulletin No. 16, dated July 25, 1895, as follows:

Sanction issued—July 29, Santa Barbara Wheelmen, Santa Barbara.

The Racing Board is not permitted to sanction racing on Sundays. A club may contest one or more races open only to members of the club, and if no prize is offered in any event and no admission charged the public the board will not take cognizance of the affair. Of late these events have been arranged with more formality than was ever contemplated. Public attention has been attracted by announcements through the newspapers of the entries and their handicap allowances and by publication of the results. All this is misleading to the board. To avoid misunderstanding and suspension of contestants clubs will be required in future to give notice to the board in advance of all such events. Class A men are warned that to compete with class B men in such races is the equivalent of the competition in public which forfeits their class A status. R. M. WELCH,
Representative National Racing Board.

Blind runs are quite the proper thing as well as cycling pleasures during the week, and will have these hops regularly hereafter. To-morrow a run will be held to the Oakland foothills, leaving on the 9 A. M. creek-route boat. On August 4 the members will ride to Bolinas. The ladies' annex to the club is growing rapidly, and under the guidance of Mrs. Robinson promises to become quite a factor before long.

The Royal Cycling Club is now comfortably located in the new quarters at 1017 Golden Gate avenue. To-morrow the club will have a run around the city. The club proposes holding a series of monthly five-mile road races shortly for a valuable trophy, which must be won three times to become individual property, similar to the idea now being carried out by the San Jose Road Club. Secretary Lichtenstein of the Royals has just returned from a trip to Lake County. He was accompanied from Santa Rosa by C. E. Brooks and C. Temple. The trip was very pleasant.

The members of the Golden City Wheelmen had a delightful trip last Sunday. They rode to Palo Alto and were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Howse. They spent the day there and did not start on the return trip until 7 P. M. Therefore most of the journey was made in the dark, and coming around the bay road it was very thrilling

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with cycling clubs now. The idea is that the captain alone knows what the destination will be, and as he leads the men to it by the most circuitous route possible you can imagine the uncertainty of the riders as to where they are going. About noon the end is reached, wherever it may be, and the fun is all the more enhanced by an appetizing luncheon ordered beforehand, to which the riders always do full justice. The Golden Gate Cycling Club will have one of these runs to-morrow, and Captain Maass promises a jolly time to all who attend. The San Francisco Road Club will also go off on the same kind of a jaunt, under Captain Korn, leaving the clubrooms, 726 Golden Gate avenue, at 9 A. M.

The California Cycling Club will hold one of its never-to-be-forgotten smokers tonight at the clubrooms, Twenty-second and Folsom streets, for members only. Captain Burke of the Californias is a wise man, and he knew better than to call a club run after a smoker, so the members—that is, those who feel like riding—will probably go to the park. Next Sunday, August 4, the club will go to Napa, where they will be the guests of two of its members now resident there.

The Oakland Y. M. C. A. Cycling Club will have several pleasant runs by twilight during August, all on Friday nights. Last night the club went to Piedmont, returning via Lake Merritt. August 2 will be a moonlight run to Berkeley via Telegraph avenue—ladies are invited on this run; August 9, to Diamond Canyon and home by Hays Canyon and New Broadway; August 16, to Alameda and home by High street and East Oakland—ladies again invited; August 23, to Laundry Farm and return.

Alameda is an ideal town for lovers of the wheel, and has now three large clubs, the Alameda, Diana and Diamond Cyclers, all of which had well-attended runs last Sunday. The Alameda Club went to Alvarado, while the other two clubs stopped at Haywards. The glories of the old Alameda Club promise to be revived in its young namesake, which has secured handsomely furnished clubrooms on Park avenue. Jesse Ives, whom many an old-timer will remember, but who had given up riding for some time past, has caught the fever again and cast his lot with the Alamedas.

At a meeting of the San Francisco Y. M. C. A. Cycling Club, held last Tuesday evening, the following officers were elected: Joseph Sims, president; Robert S. Boyns, vice-president; W. B. Hughson, recording secretary; James Keller, financial secretary; J. Sims, captain; Percy Burr, first lieutenant; Bert Waterman, second lieutenant.

The Outing Road Club held a most enjoyable smoker at its clubrooms, 1539 Eddy street, last evening. The members invited their friends and a jolly time was had. Refreshments were served and a varied lot of amateur talent served to keep things lively until early hours. President Stamper of the Outing Club has just returned from a trip through Lake County. He says the roads are beginning to get dusty, but he had a most delightful trip. To-morrow the club will have a run to the park.

Last Monday night the Liberty Cycling Club held a theater party at the Tivoli. Nearly all the members attended and greatly enjoyed the evening. Thursday evening the club held a dance at Mission Turn-Verein Hall, which was well attended and very enjoyable. Norval A. Robinson acted as floor manager, and dancing was indulged in until midnight. The club members rightly believe in enjoying social to say the least. All arrived home safely about 10 o'clock.

E. L. Douglas, J. G. North and H. E. McCrea, the Los Angeles crackerjack, have joined the Bay City Wheelmen.

After August 1 it will be necessary to carry lighted lanterns while riding in the park between sunset and sunrise. The rule will be rigidly enforced, and there has been such a demand for lanterns since the notice was posted that there is a scarcity of them in the market. Nearly all the wheelmen approve of the new ordinance, and drivers of vehicles in the park are particularly pleased.

R. S. Crawford, a bicycle manufacturer of Hagerstown, Md., arrived here this week in a private car on a pleasure trip. He brought a number of friends, including the Mayor of Hagerstown, and under the guidance of Edwin Mohrig they have been seeing the city. The party will soon leave for Southern California.

The dates thus far arranged for the National circuit on this coast are: San Francisco, November 1, 2; San Jose, 7, 8, 9; Santa Rosa, 16; Los Angeles, 21, 22, 23; Santa Ana, 28; Riverside, 30. Other dates will doubtless be arranged before long and we will surely see some grand racing out here in November, as all the crack riders will be with the circuit and some may winter here.

The Diamond Cycling Club of Alameda now has thirty members and more are coming in at every meeting. A smoker will be held shortly and several club runs are scheduled. Nile green and pink have been adopted as club colors. The club has two fast tandem teams, the Marriott brothers and the Middlemass brothers.

The Garden City Cyclers and San Jose Road Club will attend a clambake at Alviso to-morrow. Next Sunday the Road Club will also hold a five-mile race over the East San Jose course.

The regular bi-monthly meeting of the California Associated Cycling Clubs will be held next Saturday evening at the rooms of the Bay City Wheelmen, 441 Golden Gate avenue. All delegates are requested to be present. SPALDING.

THE ANGLER.

Why Trout and Bass Fishing on San Andreas Lake Is Poor.

Anglers who have returned from San Andreas Lake disappointed with their luck cannot understand the reason for such very poor fishing as has been experienced this season. Since the lake was opened to anglers only one or two good days' sport have been enjoyed. The first Sunday's experience netted the spooners well-filled baskets of trout. In fact, the inaugural week of the season was so replete with good results that patrons of the quiet and interesting pastime predicted a great season's angling on the lake. Disappointment, however, came when least expected.

The second week's fishing was only passable, and the catches grew daily less until now an angler considers himself fortunate if after a day's trolling or bait fishing he can show to his friends half a dozen steelheads. Fly fishing is out of question.

The reason for the poor fishing can easily be explained. About two weeks ago thousands of small black snails were noticed clinging to the weeds that are very prolific near the banks of the lake. An old angler who had been surmising various reasons for the refusal of the fishes to notice lures which have proven sure killers predicted at least one month of very poor sport the moment he had seen the late and unlooked for arrivals.

"The trout are feeding on those bugs," he said, "and I will prove it." A fish was immediately opened and its stomach was actually crammed with black snails, which evidence was sufficiently strong to convince the old expert and the ones who had witnessed the post-mortem that angling for trout in San Andreas would end in poor success until the disappearance of the snail.

The bass are as reluctant to sample a tempting worm or frog, although many hours have been devoted to angling for those very edible fish.

John Grindley, a well-known Sacramento-street business man, is expected home from a very pleasant outing to Lake Independence on Monday. His friends are anxiously waiting the hour of his arrival to congratulate him on his very pleasant vacation and to thank him for the several messes of beautiful trout which he so kindly shipped to them from the mountain lakes and streams. Having met all of his obligations and supplied every friend with edible fish, he feels that he can now return with a clear conscience and a robust constitution, which will more than carry him through a year's hard toil at the flowery desk. As an angler Mr. Grindley ranks among the most successful of the local fraternity. He made his last shipment of 150 beautiful trout on Tuesday last. He caught most of his fish on "the Samoni dogfly."

Captain George Cumming and J. R. Moore of New York left this City last Monday for a two weeks' fishing trip on the famous Williamson River in Eastern Oregon.

W. F. Bogart and William Reed returned last Monday from a flying trip to the Truckee River. The former caught thirty trout, scoring two fishes less than his companion. They report the river still too high for good sport.

GUN AND RIFLE.

How a Girl Captured a Six-Pronged Buck in Tomales Bay.

The Country Club will meet before the traps to-day at Oakland track, and as this will be its last live-bird shoot prior to the grand annual outing at Del Monte next month a large representation of pigeon grassers is expected. On Saturday the Empire Club will shoot at Alameda mole in the forenoon, and during the afternoon a team shoot will result between the Lincoln, Electric and Empire clubs.

The Country Club has decided to have its preserve well stocked with foreign game next year. It is now in correspondence with English sportsmen, who have promised to supply the club with Scottish grouse—a very hardy bird—blackcock and other game indigenous to the highlands of Scotland. An attempt may also be made to introduce the Japanese woodcock, a bird which the most experienced sportsmen of the club believe would prosper and do well in Bear Valley and the swampy ground that lies between Olema and the White House. The pheasant has proven a failure and experience has demonstrated that this noble specimen of the gamebird family will thrive and flourish only in the open country, where grain grows in abundance and where the ground is kept moist by rains. Since the Country Club commenced war on "the varmints" only an occasional fox, wildcat, coon or polecat is now seen where a few years ago they were not only plentiful but bold and very destructive to game birds. The result of the extermination of these worthless animals is the increase of quail and cottontail rabbits. The latter have become surprisingly numerous.

Fanning, a well-known trap-shooter, whose gun burst one day last month while shooting at live birds, will soon receive two splendid barrels from the East in place of the barrels which were destroyed.

Detective Harper and company of deer-hunters are expected home from a two weeks' outing in Mendocino County this week. Officer Ryan, who was among the hunters for a few days, states that several deer were killed, and that the day before he left for home Harper killed a 400-pound black bear in Rattlesnake Gulch.

A large deer was killed on Shattuck's ranch, south of San Andreas Lake last Sunday. The successful hunter before he had given the game animal its final quietus received a slash from a point of the deer's horn, which laid open the back of his left hand.

Al Hall of Point Reyes killed a nice buck last Saturday on what is known as the home ranch. Hall discovered two bucks feeding in a corn patch, and succeeded in picking off the best looking animal of the two.

There is a young lady rusticating at Inverness, on Tomales Bay, who has won the hearts of the young men in that neighborhood. She is brave as she is pretty, and that is the principal reason she is so highly prized by the young men and despised by creatures of her own sex.

Last week a magnificent antlered deer that had been chased by Country Club hounds dashed through Inverness camp and into the bay. Not a single man was in camp at the time, although quite a number of single ladies saw the monarch of the forest as it passed on to the water. Only one among the cluster of bloomered pleasure-seekers would condescend to chase the deer, notwithstanding the fact that it was a truly noble buck. But the young lady who had quickly decided upon venison for supper sprang into a canoe which was her pleasure craft and paddled after the monarch that had already gained a large handicap. Slowly the canoe gained upon the swimming deer, and the race, according to several ladies who witnessed it from shore, was of a most exciting nature. The game had almost gained the opposite bank when the heroine of the camp, in her frail craft, shot alongside those treacherous horns that adorned an elevated skull, and then war was immediately declared by the young miss, who landed the blade of her paddle emphatically on the nose of the now frenzied buck. The latter was handicapped in not being in a position to use his kickers in any way excepting as a means of increasing his speed.

The deer, on finding that his escape to the east side of the bay had been cut off by the unexpected appearance of a dear girl, reluctantly concluded to turn about wheel, and the race back to Camp Inverness, over the bay, is said to have been most amusing. Beauty in the boat kept close up to the beauty in the water, and each time that the buck would manifest the least desire to change its course or look mean, beauty in the boat brought down the sharp blade of the oar on the horns of the swimming beauty. Finally the highly prized game had almost reached the Inverness side when one of the noble deer-stalkers connected with the camp put in a welcome appearance with one tree squirrel he had succeeded in killing after a morning's hunt, and his surprise can be better imagined than described when his eyes feasted upon the water picture. Quickly grasping a rope that was close at hand, he sprang into a boat and headed for beauty and the beast. The deer was thoroughly exhausted by this time and the hunter had little difficulty in getting its horns in a noose, after which a landing was easily effected.

Camp Inverness was well supplied with choice venison steaks for some days afterward, but the letters of congratulation the heroine received from her friends of this City and elsewhere since then would more than have pleased a fastidious princess.

A small band of deer-stalkers, composed of Colonel P. Boland, Schoolteacher O'Connor, Tom Cleary and Dave Harefield, has just returned from a week's outing at the headwaters of the Walhalla River. Harefield is said to have killed two deer, but Cleary more than astonished his friends by some wonderful shooting at a dead squirrel which had been tied on the limb of a tree by one of the practical jokers. He shot nine times at the squirrel and failing to bring the little animal off its perch he concluded that it had the ten lives of a cat and being somewhat superstitious he refused to shoot again. When informed that his cartridges were loaded with small iron spikes and that he had actually nailed the squirrel to the tree, his joy knew no bounds, so states Joseph O'Connor.

One of the most prominent sportsmen of the Country Club, Robert Woodward, enjoyed a rare experience while deer-shooting on Sunday last on the club's preserve in Marin County.

Messrs. Woodward and Hamilton were the leaders of a small coterie of sportsmen, who stole away from the headquarters of the club, which is situated in the romantic Bear Valley of Olema. Just as the streaks of daylight were noticed in the horizon, and being determined upon having "a monarch" or two on their return from the warpath, Mr. Woodward selected from among the gamekeepers the most expert marksman to accompany the hunting party on its chase for big game.

According to Mr. Hamilton's watch it was almost 9 o'clock when the dogs routed a four-pronged buck from a deep canyon on the ocean side of the preserve. Several shots at long range were fired at the fleeting venison, but none of the leaden missiles took effect. The hounds being in splendid condition followed the trail at a very rapid pace, giving the well-fed deer very little time for rest and reflection.

After half an hour's run the antlered game took refuge from its relentless pursuers by plunging into the breakers of the beach and swimming directly out to sea.

One of the hunting party watched the progress of the escaping deer through a field glass until it became a mere speck on the surface of the deep. The object of much concern finally disappeared from view, and the sportsmen concluded that some shark would be enjoying a feast of venison which was intended for those gentlemen of the Country Club whose proclivities for deer hunting are small.

How far the deer swam "out to sea,"

Beauty and the Beast in Tomales Bay

Mr. Woodward was unable to conjecture, but his surprise may better be imagined than described when, after almost an hour's waiting, during which time lunch was partaken of, he discovered away in the dim distance the speck that had some time previously disappeared from sight, but now growing more pronounced as time wore on.

It was the return of the noble buck from sea, and all the eyes of the hunting party were steadfastly centered on the incoming animal that was swimming rapidly landward on a flood tide.

Fatigued and almost completely exhausted from its long swim, the deer was scarcely able to stand on its all-fours when it reached the shallow. After a rest of a few minutes the noble animal walked slowly along the shore until it reached a cave in the rocks where it sought shelter and rest for the time being.

Mr. Hamilton thought that the killing of such a thoroughly game animal would be unsportsmanlike, but the majority of the hunters of big game decided against him, and again the famous swimming buck of Bear Valley was routed from his last resting-place and killed by Mr. Woodward just as it made its final appearance on the sands of time.

There was, needless to say, great rejoicing at the Country Club's rendezvous when the successful sportsmen put in an appearance with the largest buck that has ever fallen before the deadly aim of a Country Club representative.

The start, the chase, the swim, the return and the shot that ended the career of the monarch of the Bear Valley Glen is now the absorbing topic of conversation among the sportsmen of the Country, Burlingame and Pacific Union clubs.

COURSING.

The Greatest Meeting of the Year Will Be Held at Ocean View.

What promises to be the banner coursing meeting of the year will be held at Casserley's coursing park at Ocean View, September 8 and 9. On those dates it is expected that all of the most noted greyhounds in California will be represented on the field as the inducements in the way of monetary prizes are far in the lead of any considerations that have been offered in the past for coursing. The first prize will consist of $150 in gold coin, second prize $100, third and fourth prizes $50, and four prizes of $17 50 each. What better inducements for a gathering of first-class dogs could a fair-minded sportsman wish for? It is not a bit too early for trainers to commence training dogs for this meeting, as there will be among the entrants some of the cracker-jacks of Sacramento and vicinity that will certainly make things very interesting for the champion racing stock of this City.

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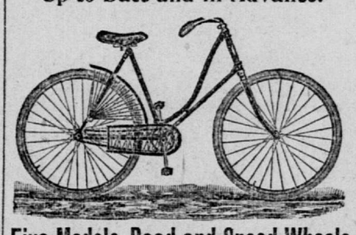

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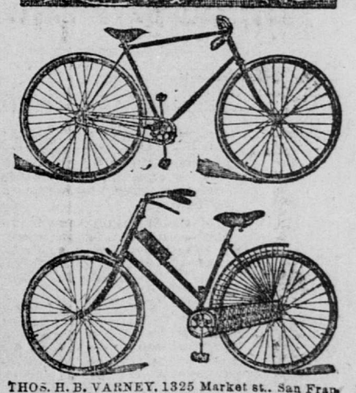

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