

THE ATHLETICS PLAYING GREAT BALL.

BY JOE CORBETT.

With another good pitcher to assist Fitzpatrick the Athletics will be high an invincible team.

Such ball as they have been playing of late bids fair to eclipse even that of the famous Gilt Edges, and that they will cut quite a figure in the pennant race is a fact that I am afraid will not bear dispute. The form which this club displayed on Saturday last reflects great credit on its members as well as its managers.

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SPORTS

SPEEDY BARGES WILL RACE AT EL CAMPO.

The number of entries for the barge races at El Campo to-morrow is disappointingly small. The Arrels and Dolphins have no senior crews entered and the Alamedas, Dolphins and Pioneers have no junior crews.

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DEER HUNTERS RETURN WITH BIG GAME.

Trap shooting is about ended for the season. With the exception of a few exceedingly enthusiastic members of the Olympic Gun Club, who delight in pulverizing inanimate birds at all seasons of the year, presumably for the pleasure of seeing mud feathers flying, the great majority of sportsmen forsake the traps when the season for deer and dove shooting arrives, and journey to the haunts of wild game.

At present there are large numbers of hunters camped in the valleys and canyons under the shade of the old oaks and redwoods.

Ignacio Martinetti bagged a spike buck last Monday near the Bohemian Club grounds, on the banks of Russian River, which dressed ninety pounds.

Frank Marcus shot at what he thought was a black bear, and was horrified when he discovered that instead of a brute he had killed a fattened hog, the property of a farmer who resides near Russian River station.

John Sackie and Billy Kittle are credited with having killed eight deer in the County Club since the season opened.

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HOUNDS OF NOTE OUT FOR GAME AND COIN.

Distinguished dogs and dogs that have yet to earn distinction will course at the two parks to-day and to-morrow. Eastern dogs, coast dogs, local dogs—all will be represented.

At Union Park two stakes will be run off—an open contest including forty-eight candidates and a puppy feature. From the make-up the sport at both parks will be unusually warm.

A glance over Gladiator's record shows him to be something of a breadwinner. Since January 1 he has run fourteen stakes, winning three once and falling to amass some of the money only twice.

The monthly meeting of the Pacific Mastiff Club was held on Thursday evening last. The action of the president in appointing J. P. Norman to be the delegate of the club at the forthcoming convention of kennel clubs to be held on the 27th inst. was continued.

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DOINGS OF THE CYCLERS NEAR AND AFAR.

The Bay City Wheelmen will have a run to San Mateo Beach to-morrow under Captain Harry Larkin, leaving the club house at 9 a. m. Lunch will be had at San Mateo.

The California Cycling Club has issued invitations through President F. A. Bush and Secretary William H. Reid for an entertainment to be given at the club rooms, Twenty-second and Polson streets, next Monday evening, July 25.

Hardy Downing, Frank J. Cotter and George Sharrick, three professionals well known here, have been competing in races in Washington and British Columbia.

The road racing officials of the California Associated Cycling Clubs expect large entry lists for the annual twenty-mile event on September 18, and the annual ten-mile handicap on October 9, this year, as there has been little track racing and many of the men are feeling the need of a good, stiff road ride.

The beautiful cup presented to the California Associated Cycling Clubs by its official organ, the Cycling West of Denver, has been received and is on exhibition in a Kearny-street window. At the next meeting of the association, to be held August 1 at the Reliance Club, Oakland, rules are to be formulated under which this trophy will be contested.

A. P. Swain, ex-president of the Associated Clubs, is away on a three weeks' vacation trip through Santa Clara and Santa Cruz counties.

Hubert Rees of the recruiting committee of the C. A. C. C., expects to leave for Manila shortly as secretary to one of the quartermasters.

President Adams has appointed Charles J. Lynch as secretary to one of the quartermasters.

AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB AND COAST FANCIERS

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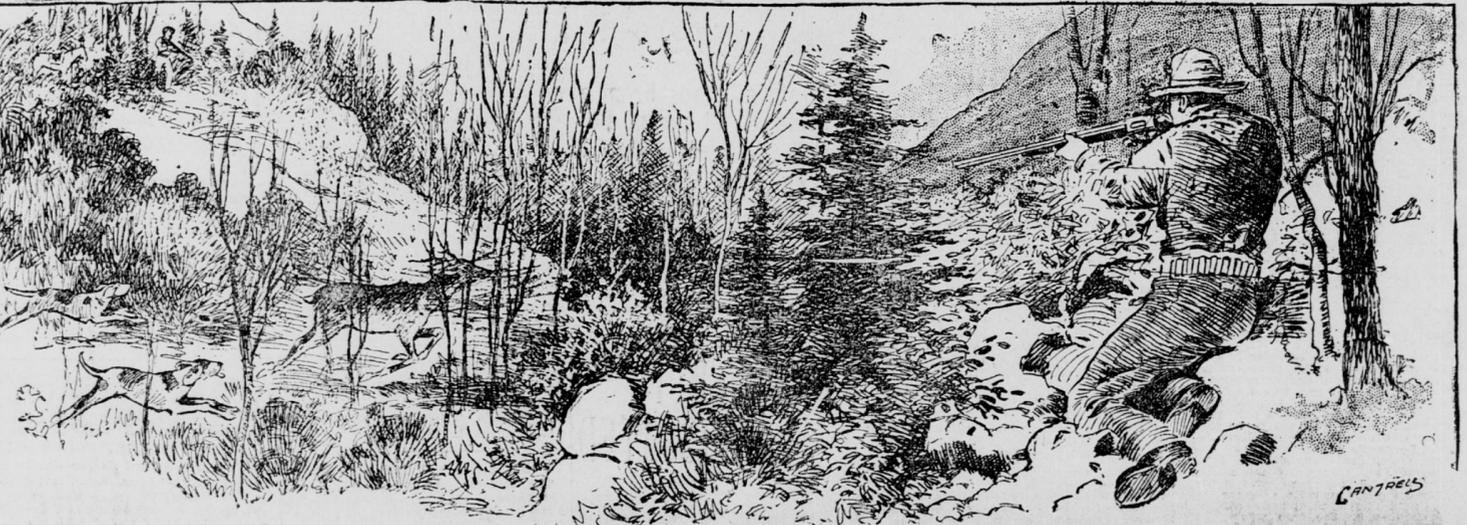
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DEER SHOOTING ON THE COAST RANGES.

Junior barge race to-morrow, and should win without much difficulty. The Wilson crew was originally made up thus: H. Wilson, bow; J. O'Connell, forward; Wilson, stroke; but J. O'Connell being absent from the city his place will be taken by George Safford.

On Sunday, July 31, the Dolphin club will hold a ladies' day at its quarters at the foot of Van Ness avenue. There will be a number of members, and swimming and boxing contests, music and dancing.

The Irish crew, after waiting for the barge race to-morrow, will row against the Irish crew, the Pioneers and the Pioneers crew. It is not unlikely that the Irish crew will row against the Pioneers in skills, and the deferred race for the A. B. Treadwell medal for junior skiffmen will take place during the day.

The South End Rowing Club intended to enter a senior and a junior crew for the barge race to-morrow, but the junior crew has been withdrawn owing to the lack of a coxswain. The senior crew, which was composed of the Pioneers and the Pioneers crew, has been coached by the senior crew for the past two weeks.

reports from the tent state the deer slaying have not yet recovered from an attack of what is called "Gallagher's nip." The entries for the medals are: Caglieri, T. R. Keenan, T. J. Hopkins, C. M. Farrell and E. J. Bartman. Probably one of these entries will be selected for the race.

John Berg received from Paris a beautiful pair of field glasses, which will aid him to distinguish at long range the difference between a forked horn and a spear-shaped one.

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Yosemite is particularly well represented at Union Park to-day—Curtis & Son with six, Jim Monkhouse with two, Fort with three and Charlie Willett and Henry Spring, each with one.

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DESULTORY WORK ON THE TENNIS COURTS

This is the dull season for tennis. Robert N. Whitney and George Whitney, champion of the coast, met in a match on Wednesday. The weather was not propitious for themselves and two friends, but owing to darkness the match was not completed.

Read the Exciting travels of two French adventurers who were five years making their way from San Diego to Paris, in next Sunday's Call.

The estimated cost of American wars is as follows: Revolutionary war, 1775-82, \$135,132,000; war with Great Britain, 1812-18, \$107,138,000; Mexican war, 1846-8, \$36,000,000; civil war, 1861-5, \$3,022,000,000.

HONOLULU BATSMEN WANT TO VISIT US

All lovers of cricket on this coast will hear with regret of the death of A. E. Coates, which took place a few days ago at Los Angeles from heart disease.

GOSSIP CONCERNING THE FAST TROTTERS

Directum Kelly, the winner of the rich Merchant Manufacturers' stake at Detroit, is still another to the credit of California, being a product of the now defunct Pleasanton Stock Farm and bred by that astute horseman, Monroe Salisbury.

IRISH HANDBALL IS WELL PLAYED

The following games of handball will be played to-morrow in Phil Ryan's court: J. Hogan and J. Kirby vs. T. Foley and M. Kirby.

Land Along Owens Lake.

The Supreme court has reversed the decision of the Superior Court of Inyo County in the case of Mrs. Flora M. Sherman against L. F. J. Winkle, who lays claim to a large piece of land upon the shores of Owens Lake.

YACHTSMEN WILL CELEBRATE EDNA'S VICTORY.

The dance given by the San Francisco last Saturday at their clubhouse at Sausalito was well attended and very successful.

Mr. Edgell, a recently elected member of the San Francisco Yacht Club, has purchased the "Edna," a new cutter, formerly of the Encinal fleet. Last Monday he and Lang, the boatkeeper of the San Francisco, sailed her over from Alameda to Sausalito.

The scheduled cruise and anchorage to Point Pinos, July 24, 1898, is here to be cancelled in respect to the memory of our late comrade, George C. Woodsum, who died on the 21st inst.

The following resolutions have been passed with reference to the death of George C. Woodsum: Whereas, The California Yacht Club having the honor to receive the untimely death of Captain George C. Woodsum of the yacht Verona on the 21st day of July, 1898, as it is regretted that we feel in common with all the members of this club, the loss of a friend and shipmate whose sterling qualities and noble spirit will be long remembered.

A FOOTBALL TEAM FOR THE OLYMPICS

The outlook for the football season a few weeks back was very discouraging. It then seemed as if there would be but two first-class elevens in the field, those wearing the blue and gold of the University of California and the cardinal of Stanford.

Two years ago when the Olympic Club withdrew from the Pacific Athletic Association it divorced itself from all possible competition with the big universities on account of stringent prohibitions issued by that body against all competition with clubs or organizations outside the pale of their jurisdiction.

The University of California will begin its fall semester in two weeks, and the preparatory work of the season will be in progress. The blue and gold men of the season will begin at least weeks later. Cross will be their instructor.

Dr. Shradly, president Red Cross Society, writes about the chances of our soldiers in war, in next Sunday's Call.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

WHEN OTHERS FAIL CONSULT DOCTOR SWEANY. HE RESTORES LOST VIGOR AND restores to weak men. Organs of the body which have been weakened through disease, overwork, excesses or indiscretions are restored to perfect health and strength through his new and original method of treatment.

INGLESIDE COURING PARK. GRAND OPEN STAKE! THE CRACKS OF THE COAST.

THE CLINKERS OF THE EAST. STRONG HARES. MUNIFICENT PRIZES. SATURDAY 1 P. M. SUNDAY 11 A. M.