

PROFITABLE SPORT.
There Is Money in Coyote Scaps in California.

It has cost the State One Hundred Thousand Dollars to pay the bounties in California.

Probably no piece of recent legislation created such a furore throughout the interior as did this bounty act, says the San Francisco Chronicle. Originally intended to be a measure for the extermination of the obnoxious and predaceous coyote, the act has had the additional effect of creating the army of hunters who have ever since been active in hunting down this profitable animal.

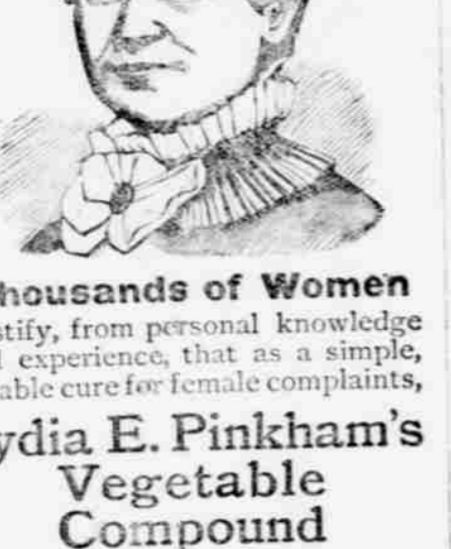
The killing has commenced during April of last year, extending through all the counties of the state except Soano, Yuba, Sonoma, San Francisco, Marin, Humboldt, and Shasta. Unfortunately for these districts, the coyote is not native to the soil, although plentiful enough through the rest of the state.

At first the coyotes were hunted in a desultory fashion, the scalp resulting in one at a time. But the hunters, whose numbers it became to "swarm in" the hunters' spalls, spread the news of the bounty far and wide, and by May organized hunters were given other pursuits to chase the elusive coyote. The clerks of the interior county boards have had their rates steadily advanced, and the new industry promises to take rank with the lumber pursuits of horticulture and viticulture if it continues to be encouraged.

Interest in the bounty caused an enterprising syndicate in southern California to employ Mexicans across the line to kill coyotes. The hunters for the skins, order, but the authorities nipped this little scheme in the bud. Other unscrupulous hunters have not been so fortunate. The coyotes, however, are profitable on the district clerks, and perhaps they have succeeded in some instances. The coyote hunters, however, do not hunt for the skins, but for the scalp. The scalp, which contains the ears and nose of the coyote, and this condition prevents discovery from being an easy matter.

Through the courtesy of Secretary of State E. C. Wells and State Comptroller R. H. Ogden, the Chronicle has been able to give figures showing the number of certificates issued this far, the amount of the bounties paid and the number of certificates remaining to be paid. The board of supervisors of each county determines the number of scalp certificates to be issued, and the amount of the bounty to be paid on each scalp. The board also determines the number of certificates to be issued, and the amount of the bounty to be paid on each scalp. The board also determines the number of certificates to be issued, and the amount of the bounty to be paid on each scalp.

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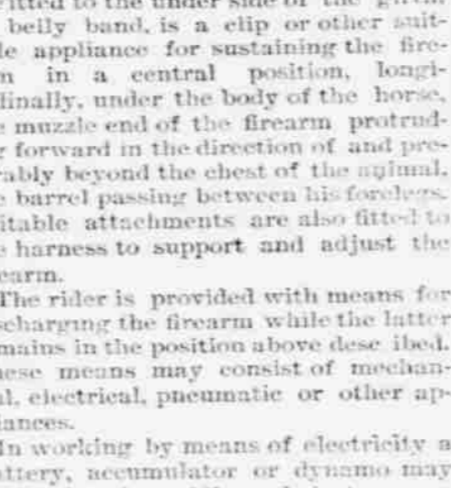
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