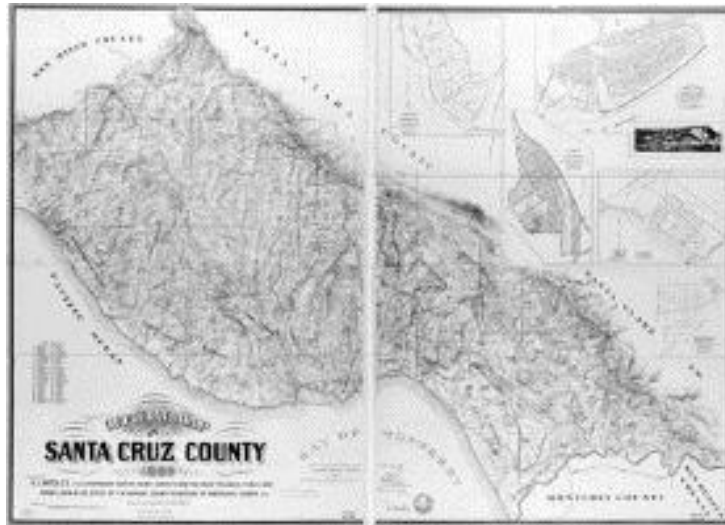# SANTA CRUZ PUBLIC LIBRARIES
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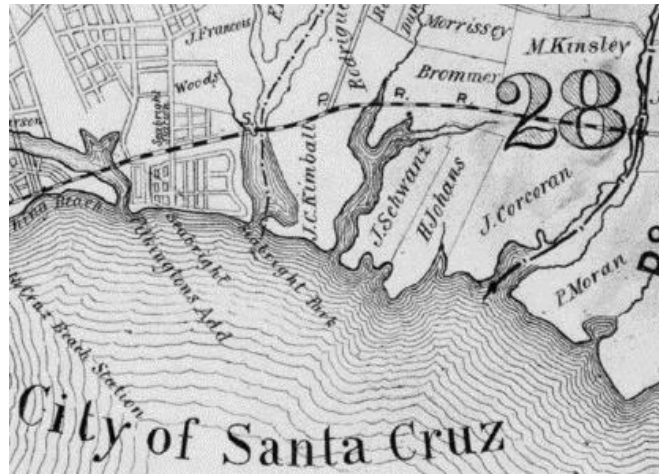# Notes on the 1889 Map of Santa Cruz County by A. J. Hatch
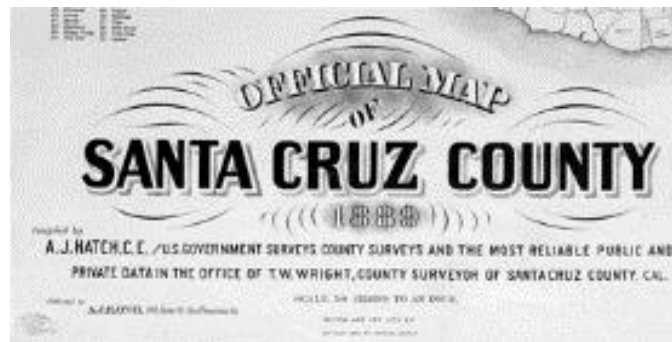*By Peter Nurkse*

Official Map of Santa Cruz County, 1889, compiled by A. J. Hatch

This map of Santa Cruz County in 1889 measures 64x26 inches, over five feet wide. It is packed with information, such as property boundaries and the owner names, throughout the entire county. It shows roads in detail, although many of the roads, like the old Coast Road north of Santa Cruz, have been modified or realigned since then. Railroads are shown, and tend to keep the same right of way today. Fifty-four school districts are identified, and detail maps are included of Felton, Capitola, and Valencia.

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Close-up of the City of Santa Cruz

Close-up of the Map Title

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