

HUNTING WILD GEESE.

HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF THE BIRDS IN CALIFORNIA.

They Are Drawn to the Great Wheat Fields of the San Joaquin Valley—Great Sport for the Hunters—The Birds Are Very Wary and Cannot Be Fooled Like Ducks

A Los Angeles (Cal.) correspondent of the Philadelphia Times says: Hunting wild geese on the plains and along the Missouri and Mississippi River bottom lands is great sport, but there are scores of hunters in Southern California, and especially in the San Joaquin Valley, who say that nowhere else in the United States are there better opportunities to hunt geese and ducks than in this region. In the months of October and November there are scores of armies of wild geese, numbering two thousand and three thousand each, that pass over this section in their migration from British America to the Mexican and Central American lagoons. On some days there are to be seen in the little cove and marshy bays that indent the coast of Southern California thousands of wild geese squawking, diving and "honk-honking" on the surface of the water. They feed upon the wheat and barley left on the ground by the careless thrashers in the great grain fields of this region. Hundreds of men and boys who can shoot turn out annually at this season to have a day or two of sport in shooting wild geese. There have been days when as many as a thousand wild geese have been "tumbled over" in a single locality, and it is estimated that there have been many days when several thousands of the birds have been slain by hunters here and there in Southern California. Still there is no diminution in the number of geese. And each year the flocks are just as frequent and as large.

At about the middle of October each year the professional goose hunter of California fixes a station among the rank grasses and tules about the shores of the marshy bays, and especially the muddy alkaline lakes, in preparation for the coming of the migrating birds from the North. As surely as November rolls around the birds begin to come, and the hunter begins his campaign of shooting. There is no game quite so wary as the Pacific Coast geese, and it requires rare patience, much exposure and unusual knowledge of the habits of the birds to be able to get them in great quantities to supply the markets. When the hunter considers that he is much bigger than the goose, and that the range of vision of this tireless navigator of the air is greatly enhanced from his exalted position among the clouds, and that the game he seeks is always on the alert for danger, he will then appreciate the necessity of lying very low when he seeks to get within gunshot of wild geese. They cannot be fooled like ducks. They are entirely devoid of curiosity, and take many things for granted without stopping to investigate, especially if the things look like men. When migrating the geese seldom alights in the water in the daytime, although it keeps close to it, and generally follows a watercourse during most of its flight. When it settles for a night's rest it generally seeks open water, but is up at dawn and away. The best locality in Southern California to bag seventy-five to a hundred wild geese a day by a man who makes a business of hunting is about the alkali lake and the immense reservoirs of mud in Kern County, where over ten thousand acres of wheat fields lie adjacent. When the day is misty and the clouds come low down toward the earth is considered by experienced hunters to be the best time to get shots that tell, for the geese will not attempt to make long flights unless the lookout can see the surroundings perfectly, and thus they are compelled to fly low or stop until the clouds rise or roll by. When following the river in stormy weather they will often alight upon gravel and sandbars, where no willows or vegetation of any kind grow. Sometimes they drop down in the center of a big grain field and put in their waiting moments in filling up.

Substantial Justice. A few lawyers were sitting in one of the city restaurants a few days ago eating lunch, and discussing different subjects, when one of them told the following story: "This occurred some years ago in the office of a former Justice of the Peace. An attorney, who has since left Sioux City, had been engaged to defend a man for the crime of petty larceny. The lawyer knew that the case against his client was a pretty strong one, and he decided to beard the lion in his den. As he entered the room he told the Justice of the case, the name of his client, and added that he did not think there was any evidence to convict. At the same time he slipped a \$20 gold piece in the hand of the Justice. The Court said nothing, but pulling open the cash drawer, shipped the money in. The case went to trial, and after the evidence had all been introduced there appeared to be no question of the guilt of the defendant. But his counsel was confident, thinking the gold piece had done the work. The Court then summed up the case, and, to the astonishment of the defendant's counsel, said: "The Court finds the defendant guilty as charged in the information, and fines him \$100, of which amount \$20 has been paid. The defendant will be committed to the county jail and the remainder is paid in to this Court." Nothing more was said, and the Justice settled back in his chair, satisfied that the laws of the State had been upheld and a dishonest attorney had been left in the lurch.—Sioux Journal.

Woman's Fate.

From the Record, Bushnell, Ill. No woman is better able to speak to others regarding "woman's fate" than Mrs. Jacob Weaver, of Bushnell, Ill., wife of ex-City Marshal Weaver. She had entirely recovered from the illness which kept her bedfast much of the time for five or six years past, and says her recovery is due to that well-known remedy, Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

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No tribe, not even that of a cow (better than any gold in the eyes of a Kafir), would induce this native to disclose the secret of his antidote, which, he said, had been handed down in his family for generations. The snake was a very long one, and so old that it had a mane. It is a well-known fact that certain of the Zulus have antidotes for the more deadly snake poisons, which they preserve as a secret within their own families.

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