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Pigeons In Missouri.

The woods in Shannon, Oregon and Howell counties are full of pigeons which are being killed by the thousands for shipment to Eastern markets, says the St. Louis Republican. Piedmont, on the Arkansas division of the Iron Mountain railroad, is the shipping point, and from there are shipped every day from seven hundred to one thousand dozen of pigeons, bringing into the county from $600 to $800 net cash per diem. The birds are sent to Boston and New York, where they sell at $1.30 to $1.60 per dozen. The roosts of the pigeons are from sixty to eighty miles southwest from Piedmont, and the hunters go out in parties of from four to six, provided with wagons to bring in the game. The pigeons are continually moving toward the north, but their progress does not exceed eight, or, at the utmost, twelve miles per day. With daylight they leave their roosts in almost innumerable numbers, and, after feeding at will during the day, repair to a roost a day's journey further on their way northward. The hunters watch their game settle down, and then range through the woods, looking up, and when a body of pigeons, settled on the limbs of a pine or oak is outlined against the sky, a half-dozen men fire at a signal in the mass. What pigeons are not left on the ground fly away, and the hunters go on following until they get another opportunity for shooting. In the morning all hands are set at work to pick up the game and prepare for the next night's slaughter.

Wheat Culture.

Wheat is one of the most extensively grown crops of the American farmer, and its importance as a product for export is well known, says D. Evans, Jr., in Ohio Farmer. The acreage devoted to wheat culture is simply immense and greatly increasing, though the average yield per acre in some sections of our country might be very materially increased, by a better selection of seed and by more care and attention to the preparation of the soil and the harvesting of the crop. In the selection of the seed, due reference must be made to the soil and the climate of the particular section in which it is planted (sowed). Seed wheat, however, should be changed every two years, or at the farthest every three years, especially the white, beardless varieties. This has been our experience, and no doubt that of others, for we have found it to be a decided improvement to use new seed, even though it be brought from a distance of only a few miles. Lime in suitable quantities is invaluable in the production of a good wheat crop, as it checks any tendency to go too much to straw, at the same time furnishing the grain with food for its proper growth.

Military Pedestrianism.

Among the most famous of the world's walking matches are some of those recorded in military history, says the N. Y. Times, where the obstacles of heavy burdens and difficult ground were added to to those of time and space. The march of the heavily-armed Spartans in 490 B. C. from Lacedæmon to Marathon, covering 150 miles of almost roadless country in three days, would have earned high commendation in an age of sporting papers. The consul Nero's march to the Metaurus to surprise the Carthaginians (207 B. C.) lasted two days and a night, with the slightest possible intermission, the soldiers taking food from the hands of the country-people, and eating it as they went. Hannibal's retreat from Zama upon Carthage brought him to Andrumetum, sixty-three miles distant, between dawn and nightfall, the pursuing Romans accomplishing the same distance in even less time. Cæsar's Tenth Legion achieved a parallel feat in Gaul, while in heavy marching order. The Bernese Swiss, when summoned to aid those of Soleure in repelling an invasion, are said to have answered the call so promptly that the newly-baked loaves which they carried with them were barely cold on arrival. Frederick the Great, on the hottest day of the terrible summer of 1760, had a kind of race with Marshal Daun for the occupation of an important post, both armies making such speed that 200 Prussians and 300 Austrians dropped dead on the march from sheer exhaustion. Frederick's younger brother, Henry, during the same war, marched fifty-hours, with only three intervening halts. Napoleon's "Old Guard" repeatedly made sixty miles in a day during the great campaign of 1813; and one of the Russian regiments in Central Asia is stated, on good authority, to have accomplished seventy-eight. The similar exploits achieved during the Indian mutiny of 1857, and the American Civil War of 1861-5, are too well known to need repetition.

Boys and Small Fruits.

Boys on farms, like boys in other places want spending money, and are often sorely troubled to obtain it. They scarcely like to ask their parents for money to buy articles that please their fancy, and they have few opportunities to work out, for when neighboring farmers wish to hire help there is plenty to work on the farms where they belong. Their best chance to earn money appears to be in cultivating some crop at home that requires small capital to engage in, a small amount for its production, but which produces a considerable amount of money. The small fruits are excellent in these respects. They may be set out at times when the soil is too wet to be worked to good advantage, and may be cultivated at odd hours when there is little to do in the fields. They require but a small amount of land, and produce more money from an acre than any farm crop.

Small fruits can generally be disposed of to better advantage in country villages, or even among neigiaboring farmers, than in large cities, as there is no expense for packages, transportation, or for selling. The country boy can take his own fruit to his customers, sell it by measure and pocket all the proceeds. As a rule small fruits sell for more in the country than in the city, although they pass through several hands in the latter place. Probably the most profitable fruits to raise are strawberries and grapes, although blackberries and raspberries sell well in their season. As a rule, currants and gooseberries are not profitable, as most gardens contain them. Strawberries offer many advantages over other small fruits. It costs little to get a start with them. A hundred plants set out in a rich place after the bearing season will produce a good crop the year after they are transplanted. No implements are required for the cultivation except those found on every farm.

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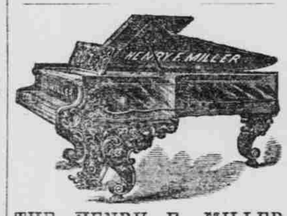

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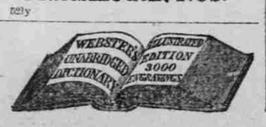

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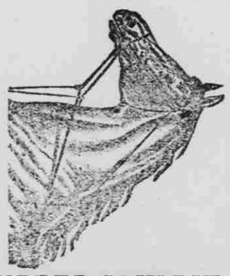

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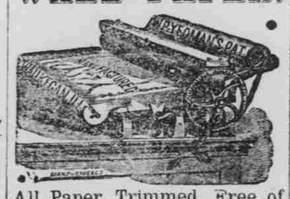

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