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Memorable Manitobans: George E. Atkinson (1870

In the above estimate are not reckoned the thousands of dozens that were shipped alive to sporting clubs for trap-shooting, as well as those consumed by the local trade throughout the pigeon districts of the United States.

The passenger pigeon: Mershon, William Butts, 1856

The breeding range of the Passenger Pigeon to-day is to be looked for principally in the thinly settled and wooded region along our northern border, from northern Maine westward to northern Minnesota; in the Dakotas, as well as in similar localities in the eastern and middle portions of the Dominion of Canada, and north at least to Hudson's Bay.

Passenger Pigeon

Sometimes these villains hang around my shooting ground without any guns at all, and pick up as many birds as I do. Every available Indian, man and boy, in the neighborhood was in the employ of buyers and speculators, killing squabs, for which they received a cent apiece. The nest was a small, rough platform of twigs, from 10 to 15 feet from the ground.

How We Massacred the Passenger Pigeon

The net is then set by an adjustment of ropes and a powerful spring pole, the net being laid along one side of the bed, and the operator retires to his bough house, through which the ropes run, where he waits concealed for the flights. Traveling north, they usually flew until about ten or eleven in the morning and again in the evening. But had the market remained unbroken, had this infamous poisoned berry story never been started, no such net results in way of profit would have been reached as Prof.

The Passenger Pigeon/Chapter XVI

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One of these curious roosting places, on the banks of the Green River in Kentucky, I repeatedly visited. Within twenty-four hours two of the platforms were selected; the male carrying the material, whilst the female busied herself in placing it. They have a certain value, however, when taken en masse, for they are the testimony of eye-witnesses who will soon be gone, after which the Passenger Pigeon will become as much a matter of written history and tradition as the auk or the buffalo.

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