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RABBIT ROUND-UPS.

How the California Vineyardists Deal with the Pests.

An Annual Gathering at Which Thousands of Jack Rabbits Are Corralled and Extirminated.

"The people out in Fresno county, Cal., are getting ready for their annual round-up and slaughter of jack rabbits," said a leading vineyardist of Fresno to a New York Sun man recently. "If it wasn't for this early spring systematic raid upon these destructive pests we would have scarcely a vineyard or an orchard left in southern California. On one day in March, generally between the 10th and 15th, the grape and small-fruit growers collect together in their respective districts and beat the country thoroughly to drive the swarming jack rabbits from their hiding places into immense wire inclosed corrals, where they are at the mercy of their pursuers, and are knocked in the head with clubs by the thousand. I have known fifteen thousand jack rabbits to be slaughtered in this way in a few hours. More than that, these rabbits are such prolific breeders that every one killed in March or April means that there will be twenty-five or thirty less than there would have been if the rabbits knocked in the head in the spring had been permitted to live until the fall. These round-ups are the only means we have ever discovered by which the jack rabbit pest has been kept down.

"The rabbits are unusually fond of the young shoots of the grapevines, when they make their appearance in the spring, and of the tender bark of prune, plum and other fruit trees, when the sap starts. I have known twenty acres of vineyard ruined in a single night by the chopping of the shoots by these animals, and whole orchards of valuable bearing trees killed by the rabbits gnawing them. Poison, traps and guns failed to kill off the rabbits fast enough, and fruit growing in that part of California could necessarily have been to a great extent abandoned if a Fresno county genius hadn't evolved the corralling idea five years ago. The rabbits are driven into the great wire-inclosed pound by hundreds of people—men, women and children—closing in around them and preventing them from going in any other direction, except the one that leads them into the corral. Different districts have different days for setting out on the round-up, and the slaughter goes on through March and April. It is safe to say that one hundred thousand jack rabbits are thus killed every spring in that part of the state. As at that season of the year this big rabbit's flesh is in excellent condition and the animal is highly esteemed as food a two-fold benefit is derived from this great yearly slaughter.

"The California jack rabbit is the biggest rabbit in existence, one five feet long being not uncommon. They are as fleet as the wind, but will sit still on their haunches, or by the roadside, until you have almost grabbed them by their mule-like ears, but before you have closed your fingers on them there will be no rabbit there, but if you look thirty or forty yards ahead you will see what you think is another one humped up in a fluffy bunch, waiting for you in the same way. But it won't be another rabbit. It will be the same one. They are swift and sudden as the fleas that swarm on them as soon as the summer comes. These fleas get so thick upon the jack rabbit and are so voracious that they have actually reduced the long-eared, four-footed jumper to a skeleton by the time the fall rains set in. If it wasn't for these regular fall rains the fleas would be of great service to us in destroying the rabbit pest, for the rabbits could not stand out many days longer against the assaults of the lively parasites. But the fall rains are fatal to the fleas. The water kills them and washes them off the rabbits and the latter pitch in our vineyards and orchards and grain with sharpened appetites."

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