

Pigeons for ten years, and thus give them a chance to multiply and perhaps regain, in a measure, their former abundance.

In 'Forest and Stream,' of Sept. 25, 1897, is a short notice of 'Wild Pigeons in Nebraska,' by 'W. F. R.' Through the kindness of the editor he placed me in correspondence with the observer, W. F. Rightmire, to whom I am indebted for the following details given in his letter of Nov. 5, 1897: "I was driving along the highway north of Cook, Johnson County, Nebraska, on August 17, 1897. I came to the timber skirting the head stream of the Nemaha River, a tract of some forty acres of woodland lying along the course of the stream, upon both banks of the same, and there feeding on the ground or perched upon the trees were the Passenger Pigeons I wrote the note about. The flock contained seventy-five to one hundred birds. I did not frighten them, but as I drove along the road the feeding birds flew up and joined the others, and as soon as I had passed by they returned to the ground and continued feeding. While I revisited the same locality, I failed to find the Pigeons. I am a native of Tompkins County, N. Y., and have often killed Wild Pigeons in their flights while a boy on the farm, helped to net them, and have hunted them in Pennsylvania, so that I readily knew the birds in question the moment I saw them." I will here take occasion to state that in my record of the Missouri flock (Auk, July, 1897, p. 316) the date on which they were seen (December 17, 1896) was, through error, omitted.—RUTHVEN DEANE, *Chicago, Ill.*

**Geotrygon chrysia again at Key West.**—The last record of the occurrence of the Key West Quail Dove in Florida was that by Mr. Scott (Auk, VII, No. 1, Jan., 1890, p. 90), of a male (now in my collection) taken by Mr. Atkins at Key West, September 15, 1889. During the past autumn Mr. Atkins secured two more specimens, which have also come into my possession. Both are females and both were taken on Key West, one by Thomas Moore, at Salt Pond Hammock, near the east end of the island, October 20, 1897, the other by James Moore, "quite near the town," November 12, 1897. They were shot on the ground in rather dense woods. Mr. Atkins received them in the flesh and skinned and sexed them.—WILLIAM BREWSTER, *Cambridge, Mass.*

**The California Vulture in Santa Barbara Co., Cal.**—On Feb. 21, 1898, the Zoölogical Department of Leland Stanford University received a specimen of *Pseudogryphus californianus*, in the flesh. It was presented by the collector, Mr. Holton Webb, who secured it at Lampoc, a small town near the coast, between the Santa Ynes Mts. and the Santa Ynes River, in Santa Barbara Co. The specimen is in excellent condition, and will make a fine specimen, though apparently not full grown, as it measures but 7 ft. 8 in. in extent.—ROBERT B. McLAIN, *Stanford University, Cal.*