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THE WILD TURKEY—A GAME BIRD OF NORTH AMERICA.

Naturalists now, generally concede that the old world is indebted to America for this magnificent bird. It was first introduced by the Spaniards from Mexico into Spain, and thence into England. In the reign of Francis the First they were imported into France, and the first one eaten in that country was served up at the banquet given at the wedding of Charles the IXth, in 1570. Bred with much care they rapidly increased and soon were taken into Asia and Africa. It would be difficult to ascer-