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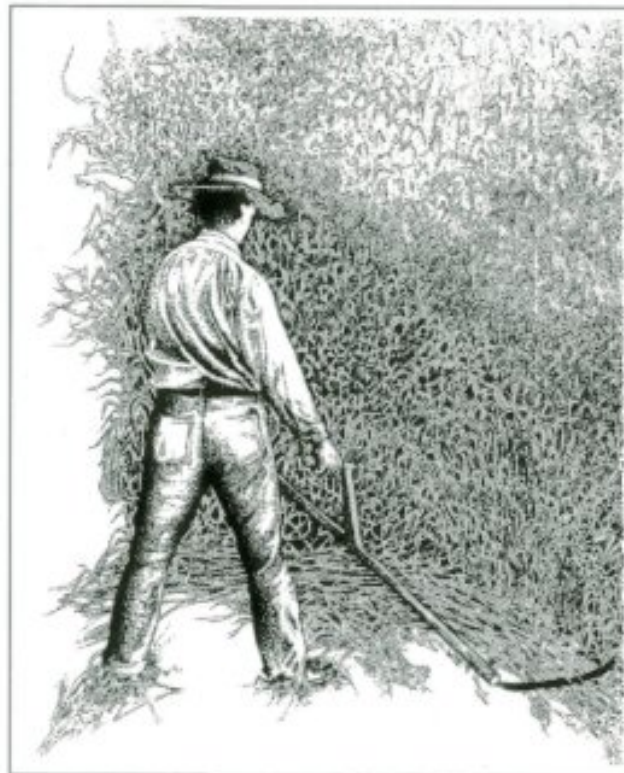
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From *Scientific American*David Tresemer has converted me to scything. If you hate your lawn mower, you'll like this book.From *The New Yorker*In a world cluttered and confusing, Tresemer gives us a book which is a beautiful balance between care and joy, without being idyllic or idealistic. There is pride in tradition coupled with an underlying vision of things to come inherent in the image of the scythe itself. "The whole book is intriguing. I started scything in my teens, and have cut grass and bay with the same swing for more than eighty years. It is first-class fresh-air exercise, that stirs the blood and flexes the muscles, while it clears the meadows. Scott Nearing ""...armed with book and scythe, I approached my grass. I can report that I laid waste to a quarter-acre of weeds, including occasional poplar and sumac shoots up to a half-inch in diameter. I felt good after performing this chore. Last year I did the same job in twice the time with a weed eater made by a chainsaw manufacturer. It vibrated. I vibrated. Though I wore antinoise earmuffs, I got a headache. David Tresemer has converted me to scything. If you hate your lawnmower, youll like this book. Tom Manwell, *Horticulture Magazine* "