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One of the main reasons for the decimation of the buffalo herds was that cows were hunted in the spring, during the calving season. Right off, a generation ceased to exist before it was even born, dying with the slaughtered mothers. It was the quickest and surest way to wipe out a race of animals, by reducing its numbers and also its capacity to reproduce.