

In connection with the white winged cross-bills I may mention that during the past winter (1897) they, as well as the A. cross-bill, were very common in Ontario, and I saw three of them, one in the red and two in green plumage among the Thousand Isles, St. Lawrence River, as late as the 8th of April. These were very tame and were feeding on the ground on hemlock seeds. I also saw the pine siskin on the 1st April in a black spruce swamp. These birds breed readily in confinement, and this year some eggs were laid by them at Rockwood House, Kingston.

I trust the above notes may be of interest, and that at a future time I may have an opportunity of throwing further light on the summer 'habitat' of some of our well-known birds.

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OBITUARY—EDMUND VON MOJSISOVICS.

Edmund Mosjsisovics, of Mojsvar, died at the end of August last, at Feldbach, in Styria, after a prolonged illness caused by brain disease. As an eminent scholar, geologist and palæontologist, Mosjsisovics was well known the whole scientific world over. He was born at Vienna on October 18th, 1839. In 1867 he entered the Imperial College of Geology, and in 1870 became chief geologist and mining expert. In 1891 he was elected an effective member of the Vienna Academy of Sciences, and in 1892 was appointed Vice-Director of the Imperial College.

For his excellent work and labours in the field of palæontological science he was best known. In addition to numerous contributions on various subjects dealing with fossil organic remains, Mosjsisovics published his great work entitled "*Die Cephalopoden der Hallstater Kalke*," which appeared in two volumes, accompanied by an atlas. In morphological and geological exploratory research he did a great deal of work in the mountains of Bosnia and Hercegovina. In 1896 Mosjsisovics was at his own request transferred to Gratz where he held the post of Professor of Zoology until his regretted demise.—H.M.A.
