

there in safety until the tree was blown down in 1895. They have now left the locality, a locality they had been accustomed to nest in for numbers of years no doubt,—and have gone elsewhere to breed. At Wolfe Island this bird nested until recent years, occupying a large elm near Long Point, at the head of the island. When this tree blew down the eagles built a nest at the head of Simcoe Island. There they occupied a high elm, which was climbed by a man of the name of Shelbourne in 1900; a feat that very few persons would care to undertake; and the birds again changed their abode. At present there are but one or two nesting places remaining at the eastern end of Lake Ontario.

Going inland, we hear of a few pairs of bald eagles along the Rideau, and at the lakes in its vicinity; and in the latter part of summer young birds as well as a pair of old ones might be seen at Sharbot Lake almost daily. But what destruction goes on; in the spring of 1903 a pair of these eagles selected a comparatively small hemlock for a nesting station near this lake. They successfully hatched their eggs, and raised their young until they could just fly. Then the nest was found by men engaged in peeling hemlock bark; the alarm was sounded, word sent abroad, and the tree was felled, the two young ones killed and left lying on the ground, and one of the old ones shot! Such is the fate that too often overtakes these birds, nowadays.

The golden eagle nests very rarely in Ontario. A nest seen by the writer was built in high rocks at Schooner Lake in North Frontenac, and was considered for a long time inaccessible until some river drivers let one of their number down from the top of the cliff by a heavy rope, and he managed to swing himself on to the ledge where the nest was located and secure the eggs. This was towards the end of April, a few years ago, and since, the nest has been deserted. In 1903, the writer visited the place, and suggested the means by which a man named Herbert reached the nest.

As with the eagles, so it is with the ospreys. They are rapidly being exterminated. A few years ago a nest located on a pine or hemlock stub was no uncommon sight in the back country; now it is a very rare sight. This bird is more partial to the neighborhood of small inland lakes than to the larger waters