

Besides the above birds, I saw one hawk, and several sparrows and warblers which I did not identify.

In this list most of the birds are included which were met with by Mr. William Brewster during his trip to the Gulf of St. Lawrence in 1881, (vide proceedings of the Boston Society of Natural History 1882-83. Page 364.) All these birds were clearly identified by myself and the nests where noted and examined. Of species noted by him as seen in the Magdalens, I did not meet with the black and yellow warbler; the night-hawk and the red-throated diver. On the other hand I am able to add to his list of birds mentioned in those islands, 15 species, viz., the Holboell's grebe, the horned grebe, the scaup duck, the A. bittern, the lora, Wilson's snipe, the piping plover, the screech owl, the rusty blackbird, the pine grosbeak, the A. crossbill, the golden-w-warbler, the winter wren, the Hudsonian tit and the golden crowned wren.

The Island of Anticosti is doubtless a better locality for observing the birds that frequent the islands and shores of the Gulf of St. Lawrence than the Magdalen Is., as the population on the latter is now considerable, and in a short summer tour it is sometimes difficult to get about from island to island.

I may add that the 'flora' of the Magdalen Is., is for the most part scanty and uninteresting. I made but a small list of plants, meeting with nothing of particular rarity, though some of them of course are of very local distribution, such as the trailing juniper, *Mertensia maritima*, *Hudsonia tomentosa*, *Lathyrus maritimus*, *Arenaria poploides*, *Hierochloa borealis*, (the holy grass) and a few others, mostly beach plants. On Grosse Isle I found the orchis *Habenaria viridis*, growing quite abundantly, and the 'dill' is a common and noticeable plant on Grindstone Is., growing in damp meadows.—

A trip to these islands is a very pleasant and healthful summer outing, but in the months of April and May when the cross-bills and grosbeaks should be breeding the weather is cold and foggy and at times said to be very wet.