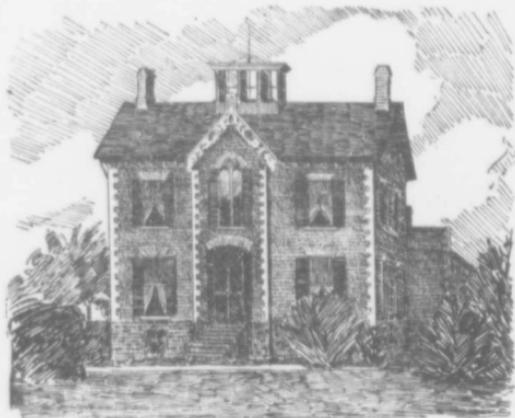


well worth an hour or so of sport. But it takes a quick eye and a good knowledge of the muskrats' habits to secure any number of them. Agvin, noon hour is not to be compared to just after sunset, when they come out by the dozens, sometimes quite close under your feet. In fact, the very great number of them bewilders one, and altho you might catch sight of half a dozen at once, in your uncertainty which to shoot at you

the winter months, their nests and feeding grounds being readily noticed. Their fur is of commercial value, and as such the hunting of them becomes in a nature a business. In the same connection may be mentioned that both mink and skunk are also trapped, the latter being the more plentiful, altho a considerable number of mink are seen in this locality at different times during the year, but they are sly rascals to

what do we find for the followers of Isaac Walton in the cool retreats of the silvery Creel, or in the muddy bed of the mill pond? Black bass of fair size, catfish, suckers, chubs, shiners and eels would about fill the bill, and those who have the patience to angle for the finny tribe may possibly not return home unrewarded. A favorite place of an early summer evening is just opposite Mr. Henry Brown's house, between that and



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may miss them all, for they disappear like a flash. To illustrate this, one day last spring there were all of six persons between the dam and the mill blazing away, and yet only two muskrats were bagged, tho they were plentiful enough. It's exhilarating sport while it lasts, and possesses more of the true quality of spotting than many another form of hunting. The muskrat is also trapped considerably, this more during

catch.

Foxes are few. In the rear of the Gooderham farm there is a ravine that has been the abode of foxes for years, and there are some there yet. In Mr. Holly Gooderham's time considerable hunting of foxes was done in this very spot. This about ends all that there is to shoot in this neighborhood, outside of hawks, pigeons, crows and squirrels.

Passing from hunting to fishing,

the chopping mill. Perhaps one reason for this spot being chosen may be its convenience. Yet it will hardly do to say that, for have we not heard of the wonderful eels that have been fished up from the depths of this famous spot? In speaking of fishing and shooting we have about covered this class of sport.

Turning now to sport more as an amusement, we find that football

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