

young and an adult. A young bird fully fledged was also discovered in a weak condition, though nothing could be found to account for its sluggishness.

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FEBRUARY 6.—A small band of Chickadees have been with us since the winter commenced, feeding upon pieces of suet placed for their convenience. Recently this has become scarce and the Chickadees are now subsisting to quite a large extent on waste oats. These they carry to the sunny side of a log building and holding the oat with one foot extract the kernel from the husk with their beak. This is quite a new departure for Chickadees.

APRIL 28.—Found two Western-horned Owls in possession of a nest built by a pair of Goshawks last year. There were two or three young of different ages in the nest and an old bird made several queer noises at me, one of which resembled the barking of a dog. There was a recently killed field mouse at the bottom of the tree.

MAY 26.—Examined around the Owl's nest mentioned above and found several pellets, which were made up chiefly of the hair of mice and rabbits, with the broken bones of those mammals and one bird bone.

JULY 26.—There are two Ravens a few miles northwest of here which have discovered a young calf and dog recently deceased. This is the first occasion that Ravens have been observed at Aweme in summer time and might lead one to suspect them of breeding in the neighbourhood.

AUGUST 11.—Visited the nest of a Vesper Sparrow to see what effect the heavy rain had had upon the young. Found one stretched out very much overcome, but later in the morning both were perfectly well. They are almost fully fledged.

NOVEMBER 16.—I have for the last week been cutting down trees close to a Chickadee's sleeping place, a hole some 18 feet from the ground in an old tree, evidently the work of a Woodpecker. The Chickadee appears regularly and enters its home at about ten minutes after sunset, there being a slight variation, according to the brightness of the evening. At first the stump was surrounded by trees, but though these have now all been cut away and the only branch upon which the bird perched before entering its nest broken, it entered its hole as usual after showing but momentary surprise at the change. This Chickadee is often accompanied by others, but they have separate homes and soon vanish to meet together again next morning.