

FIN, FUR, AND FEATHER

Partridges are thick this fall. A few days ago one was snared on the grounds of the Terrace Hotel, Amherst. The snare was put on the end of a rod and deftly slipped over the head of the bird by Seymour Miner. We expect W. G. Calhoun the proprietor will build a blind in the middle of the garden put out partridge decoys and wait for game.

A. G. Robb of Robb Engineering Co., Amherst, has purchased from J. E. Hunt of Boston, the yacht "Wasp". She is a small fin-keel boat, of the latest American knockabout pattern, being 23 feet over all. We might add that as Mr. Robb is going out of the canoe business, his canoe Orinda, now in Sydney, C. B. can be bought cheap.—See ad elsewhere.

R. C. Fuller bagged a brace of snipe before breakfast the other morning.

Partridges are unusually thick this year and if we gave a paragraph to every sportsman who has killed some we would have room for nothing else in Fin's columns.

Two otters have lately been seen in Long Lake near where the main railroad crosses the bog.

Thos. Trenholm and Albert Townsend got 7 ducks on Round Lake Bog on Sept. 15th.

Dave Steele, an old time Amherst sportsman who has been in St. Louis, Mo., for some time is visiting friends and relatives. He will likely purchase a permit, borrow his brother's 8 bore and try Mud Lake, for a few evenings.

We want to give sportsmen who are ignorant of the uses of a Marsh Hen a few pointers. In the first place you must kill your bird (on the wing preferred) then pick him and after drawing, roast as you would a duck. If you do not like the taste of them let us know.

We ran across another fish story this week. This one relates to salt water fishing and the narrator, whose name we withhold, is responsible for its truthfulness. The other morning two men started from Christmas Cove on a short cruise. While on the water the conditions seemed so good for cod-fishing that they began to wish earnestly for some bait. While discussing it, a fish jumped near the boat, one of the men made a quick grab and luckily caught the fish. It proved to be an alewife and with this fish as bait they went to work fishing with a will and made a good catch of cod and other fish. Not all fishermen are thus easily supplied with bait.