

several minutes. Geese were again heard a few nights later, although no record of the exact date was kept.

*Buteo borealis borealis*, Red-tailed Hawk.—On Oct. 28 I saw an adult male at Dumouchel's, shot near Montreal on Oct. 24.

*Astur atricapillus atricapillus*, Goshawk.—On Oct. 31 I saw one in flight; also on Nov. 3, I examined an adult male, shot on the Island on Nov. 1, in the act of devouring a domestic fowl.

*Cryptoglaux junerea richardsoni*, Richardson's Owl.—Nov. 21, I secured an adult male.

*Hesperiphona vespertina vespertina*, Evening Grosbeak.—Feb. 1, I saw two adult males, shot on the Island at Pointe aux Trembles on Jan. 30. On Feb. 18, I saw one adult male and three females or immature birds feeding on seeds of shade ash trees at St. Lambert. Again, on Feb. 24 two flocks, consisting of twenty-four birds, were feeding on ash seeds in the same locality. Of these, five were bright-coloured males. This species is still with us in considerable numbers at the present date (Feb. 28). The seeds of several Mountain Ash trees in the vicinity have been quite ignored.

*Junco hyemalis hyemalis*, Slate-coloured Junco.—On Jan. 23, I saw one with a flock of Chickadees.

*Bombycilla garrula*, Bohemian Waxwing.—Jan. 21, I saw three freshly-mounted birds at Dumouchel's. These were secured near Montreal on Jan 13. On Feb. 9 I heard the burr-like song of this species at St. Lambert, but failed to see the singer. Feb. 14, while passing the same place, I again heard the notes, and discovered an individual of this species in a maple tree, and had a fine view of the rufous under-tail coverts.

Of the above-mentioned species the Red-tailed and Goshawk are perhaps not rare here, but my records are so few that I always consider them worthy of note. I have never before observed either the Canada Goose or the Slate-coloured Junco during the months of January or February, and their occurrence was probably due to exceptional mild weather, with a steady south wind preceding their arrival.

There has been a remarkable absence of several of our most common winter visitors, notably Pine Grosbeak and Redpoll, due possibly to the open weather. On the other hand, Chickadees and Red-breasted Nuthatches have been more common than usual. Snow-birds are scarce, and only seen in small companies. During the fall and early winter I was struck by the unusual abundance of Hawk Owls to be seen in taxidermist shops. These were mainly shot by hunters in the Laurentian district.

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