

The above list contains most of the plants that are specially suitable for the purpose, but while endeavoring to procure as many of them as possible, the planter will of course use largely the shrubs that happen to be most available, employing also such wild perennials as golden rod, aster, etc.

Old stumps will prove an attractive addition to the reserve and will be an attraction to the chickadees in the nesting season. If these birds can be induced to locate there, they may be easily held for the whole year by a little feeding in winter, and no bird is more useful in the orchard than this species.

For the first few years there will be no place in this plot where robins can rest. This lack will seldom be very noticeable, as most farms have already some old trees in which they may nest, but, if there is absolutely no opportunity for them the need may be easily supplied, by a piece of 2 x 4 scantling driven into the ground, with two cross pieces near the top, forming a suitable nest foundation, the whole to be covered with a collection of dead vines, etc., leaving space for the birds to enter. If some wild cucumber is planted at the base of this, it will cover the post after a few weeks of growth.

A few nesting boxes stuck up on posts or on large trees would serve to attract bluebirds, tree swallows and house wrens, but care must be taken to keep down the English sparrows by means of trap and gun, or else these native species that nest in cavities will be unduly harassed and prevented from breeding.

It is well worth while to put up on a pole a house for the Purple Martin. If these birds can be induced to come, they will form a very important addition to the ranks of insect destroyers.

On May 24, 1913, I saw a little home-made Martin house on a pole in a farm yard about 25 miles north-west of London, and it had three or four pairs of Martins domesticated in it. What one farmer has accomplished, another may do.

Red squirrels should be persistently destroyed. These animals are second only to the domestic cat as bird exterminators, and will devour every available brood of nestlings unless they are prevented.

A path winding through the jungle would be no detriment and may often be a convenience. It should go near the trees, and as these will prevent any thick growth coming beneath them, wild flowers can be added to the collection when they are partly grown.