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DESTRUCTION OF BIRDS

How oft the sight of means to do ill-deeds makes ill-deeds done" is a quotation which is in the minds of a great many bird lovers at the present time. The warm weather seems to have come at last, the balmy breezes have wooed the birds back again to us, the innate desire to get out in the country is strong within us, but so, alas, is the wish to "go out killing something."

Unfortunately, this wish is one particularly shared in by boys, and worse still, they are able to indulge it, owing to the cheap air-guns which now flood the market. The birds offer the readiest targets, and without any thought of the evil which is being done, thousands of these most useful aids to man are slaughtered. The evil is not generally known, and it is a pity that it is not so, for if it were the guardians of the children and storekeepers would be more careful—provided that the law was enforced. The law on the question reads:

"Everyone is guilty of an offence, and liable, on summary conviction, to a penalty not exceeding fifty dollars, who sells or gives any pistol or air-gun or any ammunition therefore to a minor under 16 years of age."

It is not necessary to go into the question of the benefits which the birds confer upon us. The special articles which were published in The Planet some time ago, gave the food upon which the birds fed, so that it could be easily seen how many of them are our friends, and how very few of them are our foes, and deserve to be shot.

It must be borne in mind that it is also strictly against the Act for the Protection of Insectivorous and Other Birds, to shoot or injure any wild native birds other than Hawks, Crows, Robins or English Sparrows. Robins may be shot, but only during the fruit season, for the purpose of protecting the fruit, and on a man's own premises. The list is so short of the birds which may be shot that there is no excuse for any mistakes. The above mentioned Act should be read in conjunction with the Ontario Game Protection Act.

A far better present for a boy would be a good book on Ornithology, such as Mellivra's "Birds of Ontario," which would show him how much greater delight can be obtained by studying the living birds and their habits, than by senselessly destroying them. It is to be hoped that the development of Nature Study will in time teach our boys to appreciate the birds as something better than targets for cheap air-guns.

Apart from the practical usefulness of the birds the pages of poetry are full of references to them. The sight of a robin must call to mind the wonderful old Breton legend:

"Bearing His cross, while Christ passed forth forlorn,
His God-like forehead by the mock crown torn,
A little bird took from that crown one thorn,
To soothe the dear Redeemer's throbbing head;
That bird did what she could; His blood, 'tis said,
Down dropping, dyed her tender bosom red."

A PATHETIC STORY.

Seventy-four years old, the widow of a union soldier, once the secretary of Frances E. Willard in temperance work, the mother of two boys, for one of whom she has spent nearly all her savings in a vain effort to save his life—such in brief is the story of Mrs. Clarissa Rice, of Muskegon, now in the Detroit house of correction to serve a sentence of not less than 15 months nor more than 18 months for receiving stolen money from her son. The judge who sentenced her obeyed the statute by ordering that she be "confined at hard labor," but Supt. McDonnell has taken it upon himself to ignore this part of the sentence. The Detroit Times commends the superintendent for this, but insists that "justice will not have been done to this poor woman until the rest of her sentence shall have been erased by the governor as completely as the superintendent of the house of correction has erased that part which pertained to the doing of hard labor by Mrs. Rice."

The plea for a pardon entered by the Times, it would seem, might readily be granted without any violation of the principles of justice and without imperiling the foundations of social order. It presents this view of the situation:

On one side, stands this aged widow at a union soldier, herself the mother



of two sons, one of whom is dead and the other in prison. It is conceded by all that she has led a blameless life up to the time when she was accused of receiving \$900 that her son stole from a bank in Grand Rapids. She not only had led a blameless life in the sense that she had done nothing wrong, but she had done much that was good. She had cared for her little family as best she could when her husband was on the firing line in the civil war, and after the war was over, she had devoted many years of her life to temperance work.

On the other stand the people of Michigan—millions strong—theoretically if not actually the antagonists of this poor woman. We do not believe they are her antagonists. We do not believe the people of Michigan want an old woman to be kept in prison, even in idleness for so long a time that death, instead of her jailer, may release her, when there is no other testimony against her than that of her drunken son, who has since denied that he gave her the money he stole. We do not believe it, because we believe the people of Michigan have hearts—and it is heartless to send so old a woman to prison for so long a time for so trivial an offense, upon such flimsy testimony.

Guilt or not guilty, common decency demands that she be set free by the governor, who alone now has the power to act. If innocent, it is of course a monstrous injustice to keep her in prison. And even if guilty, no useful purpose can be served by depriving her of her liberty. For modern penologists have learned the truth that there are only two legitimate reasons for depriving anybody of his liberty—to prevent the criminal from preventing other crimes and to bring about his reformation. The desire for revenge has no place in criminal law.

If it be assumed that Mrs. Rice is guilty, her imprisonment can hardly be defended on the ground that it is necessary to prevent her from committing other crimes. Having obeyed the laws for 74 years, there is little danger now that if set at liberty she would become a law breaker. She is too near the end of her journey to change her course. And the estate may well waive the point that her imprisonment is necessary to bring about her reformation. That much may well be conceded to a woman who has borne two sons and been the wife of a union soldier. The spectacle of this gray-haired woman in prison garb is not pleasing from any point of view and the governor should pardon her.

NO REASON YOU SHOULD GIVE UP

Because Your Indigestion Has Become Chronic—Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets Will Cure It Just the Same.

If your indigestion has turned to dyspepsia and become chronic that is no reason you should despair. Others just as bad as you have been cured by Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets. Take the case of Mrs. James Bradley of Smith's Cove, Digby Co., N. S. Here's what she says about it herself:

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Local Briefs

Decorate! Decorate!! Decorate!!! The Great Counterfeiting Case, at the Grand Opera House to-night. Brisco's Bicycle repairs and livery! Miss Ella Lister, Amherstburg, is visiting Chas. E. Lister, Adelaide street.

The Village Clerk of Tilbury is asking for tenders for 100,000 feet of cement sidewalk.

When you want an artistic design, call up or visit Victoria Ave. Green Houses, Phone 181.

Dr. Sharp, of Tilbury, was in the city on professional business yesterday.

Dr. J. I. Wiley, H. E. Dever and Dr. W. H. Clapp, of Dresden, were in the city yesterday.

Experienced saleslady wanted, for hosiery, gloves and small wares. Address M., care of Planet.

One of the best features of the reunion will be the Kilties day on Friday. No one should miss this.

A number of Masons arrived in the city yesterday from Northville, Mich., and are visiting brethren in the city.

Biggest and finest shipment of sewing machines ever received in Chatham arrived this week. The White is King.—Geo. Stephens & Co.

Any person desiring a good business stand would do well to read Wm. Brown's advt. in another column.

O. E. Wilson and his youngest daughter, Dunnville, are spending a few days with Pierce Hughes, Water street.

Andrew Thomson, Jr., will sell all the household furniture of Mrs. O. Hara, Victoria Avenue, next week. Watch for date.

Mrs. Barrett, of Ridgeway, is visiting at the home of Mrs. Ed. Grandbois, Head street.

None of the old boys and girls should forget the masquerade ball Thursday evening, June 2nd, in the skating rink.

Mrs. James Heard, of Barrie, spent a pleasant time at Mrs. Kats, Bloomfield, also at James Kats, Jr., Chatham Township. She left for London yesterday.

Wilson & Co., solicitors for the defendant re Drennan and Munro vs. Clifford, moved this morning to have the action dismissed with costs. O. L. Lewis opposed the motion, which was dismissed with costs.

The old boys and girls should not neglect to go to the headquarters in the Garner House Block at once and register their names and have their certificates signed.

OLD AGE.

Old age as it comes in the orderly process of Nature is a beautiful and majestic thing. The very shadow of eclipse which threatens it, makes it the more prized. It stands for experience, knowledge, wisdom and counsel. That is old age as it should be. But old age as it often is means nothing but a second childhood of mind and body. What makes the difference? Very largely the care of the stomach. In youth and the full strength of manhood it doesn't seem to matter how we treat the stomach. We abuse it, overwork it, injure it. We don't suffer from it much. But when age comes the stomach is worn out. It can't prepare and distribute the needed nourishment to the body, and the body, unenriched, falls into senile decay. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is a wonderful medicine for old people whose stomachs are "weak" and whose digestions are "poor." Its invigorating effects are felt by mind as well as body. It takes the sting from old age, and makes old people strong.

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GIRL WANTED—Good girl for general housework. No washing. Apply Mrs. E. J. Peltier, second house from Lacroix on King street.

WANTED—Men wanted to learn barber trade; only eight weeks required by our system of constant practice; tools furnished; diploma given. Full tuition \$25. Call or write. Detroit Barber College, 277 Jefferson avenue, Detroit, Mich.

FOR SALE OR TO RENT.

FARM FOR SALE—Lot No. 25, concession 10, on Gravel Road, Raleigh township, 113 acres. Brick house and frame barn, stable and sheds. Apply to J. A. Walker, Barrister, King Street, Chatham.

FARM FOR SALE—North east half of lot 16, from concession, Township of Harwich, 133 acres. All cleared, clay loam, two good sized frame houses. Large frame barn and cattle shed; stable and drive-barn combined; granary and implement house. Buildings all in good repair; about five acres of orchard; artesian well, windmill and pump; three other wells. Price \$8,000.00. Apply on the premises to Mrs. John J. Wallrath, or to W. F. Smith, barrister and solicitor, Chatham, Ont.

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BECAUSE—

We buy and sell more merchandise than any other concern in Western Ontario. We buy more because we sell more, and we sell more because we sell cheaper, and we sell cheaper because we buy cheaper and its here

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BECAUSE—

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BECAUSE—

We permit no one to undersell us. We consider it our special mission to sell "Better goods for the same money or the same goods for less money" than other stores, and, come what may, we'll fulfil this promise.

BECAUSE—

We refund money. Its your greatest safeguard. Whenever you do not like your purchase you can get your money quick as you ask it at this store.

BECAUSE—

We buy direct from the largest manufacturers at home and abroad. Because we are not connected with a syndicate who have to pay a per cent. equal to a wholesale profit for the privilege of buying from manufacturers.

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15c, 18c AND 20c WASH GOODS FOR 12 1-2c YARD—

46 pieces rich wash dress materials in linen color, lapets, white vestings, white mattings, white India lawns, white Victoria lawns, printed knickers, printed brilliants, flaked zephyrs, plain chambrays, fancy dress muslins, etc.; all new goods, new patterns and fast colors, regular 15c, 18c and 20c yard, sale price

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BLACK MERCERISED SATENS AT 12 1-2c YARD—

Rich silky quality, full width and weight, good value at 20c a yard, sale price

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600 yards good quality prints, in good range of patterns, fast dyes, regular 6c to 8c yard, sale price

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25c, 35c AND 50c RIBBONS AT 12 1-2c YARD—

600 yards rich pure silk taffetas, liberty satin, silk and fancy ribbons, in wide range of colors, 4 to 7 in. wide, regular 25c, 35c, 40c and 50c a yard, sale price

12 1-2c.

HOSIERY BARGAINS.

20 DOZEN BOYS' STRONG RIB HOSE—

Fast black, elastic rib, in all sizes, at a pair, sale price

10c.

50 DOZEN LADIES' PLAIN AND DROP STITCH HOSE—

Fine quality, fast black, full fashioned, seamless feet, double heels and toes, sizes 8-1-2, 9, 9 1-2 and 10, worth regular 15c to 20c a pair, clearing at sale price

12 1-2c.

5 DOZEN LADIES' LACE LISLE HOSE—

Fine quality, Hermsdorf black dye,

Half Price.

full fashioned, seamless feet, regular 50c a pair, sale price

39c.

25c CASHMERE HOSE AT 19c A PAIR—

15 dozen fine ladies' imported cashmere hose, full fashioned, seamless feet, double heels and toes, sizes 8-1-2, 9 and 9 1-2, extra good value at 25c a pair, sale price

19c.

DRESS GOODS AT HALF PRICE—

34 pieces Dress Goods, including 44 in. flaked tweeds, 44 in. plain and fancy mohairs, French twills, flaked and striped lustres, serges, velvets, etc., in good range of colorings, regular 40c to 75c a yard; Sale Price

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46 PIECES DRESS GOODS—

Rich all wool Covert suitings, 56 in. black lustres, 46 in. colored lustres and twills, 44 in. all wool satin cloths, 4 6in. plain and figured mohairs, fancy tweed suitings, 56 in. all wool homespuns, etc., in wide range of spring colors, regular 65c, 75c, 85c and \$1.00 a yard, clearing at Sale Price

48c.

LADIES' 15c. LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS 8c. EACH—

20 dozen ladies' fine sheer quality, pure linen handkerchiefs, with narrow hemstitched hems, regular 15c quality, clearing at Sale Price

8c.

5c. and 8c. HANDKERCHIEFS AT 3c.

10 doz. fine cambric handkerchiefs with colored borders, regular values 5c and 8c each; Sale Price

3c.

50c. to \$1 YARD SILKS AT 33c. A YARD—

38 pieces plain and fancy silks, in taffetas, satins, Indias, peau de soie, Bengalines, geishas, gros grains, in large range of colors, regular 50c, 65c, 75c and \$1.00 a yard; Sale Price

33c.

Lot fancy dress trimmings and drop ornaments, clearing at Sale Price

Half Price.

LADIES' WAISTS AT ALMOST HALF PRICE—

6 doz ladies' printed lawn and percale waists, fine quality, in range of choice patterns and colorings, sizes 32 to 40, regular 50c to 65c each, sale price

38c.

\$1.25 AND \$1.50 WHITE WAISTS AT 89c.—

7 doz ladies' fine white India lawn waists, made with all over embroidery, and insertion fronts, tucks on sleeves, back, collar and cuffs, size 32 to 40, regular \$1.25 and \$1.50 each, clearing at sale price

89c.

5 DOZ LINEN BATISTE WAISTS—

Fine sheer quality, made with silk, embroidered and tucked front, tucks on backs and sleeves, silk embroidered tab collar, sizes 32 to 40, regular \$1.25 each, sale price

73c.

6 DOZEN LAWN WAISTS—

Fine quality, colors sky and pink, made with all over tucks and 3 rows embroidery, insertion down front, tucked sleeves and back, fancy insertions, tab collar, regular \$1.50 each, sale price

89c.

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