

swerved upwards and turned due south, in zig-zag pursuit of several Redpolls.

BROWN CREEPER, *Certhia familiaris americana*.—Montreal; three or four seen December 1st, and five on January 19th. Bury, December 9th to 17th; noticed daily; generally only two or three noticed in a flock, though there were probably usually more, as it is difficult to detect all in a flock.

RED-BREASTED NUTHATCH, *Sitta canadensis*.—Bury, December 9th to 17th; noted daily in considerable numbers. Seen more commonly on ridges of White Pine. During mild weather I was often attracted to flocks of this species, sometimes numbering fully 75 individuals, by their chorus of insistent call-notes—scarcely a well organized chorus, however, pronouncing their views with various degrees of feeling—at times a veritable babel. This species spends much more time amongst the foliage in tree-tops than the White-breasted. It is a common permanent resident in the vicinity of Bury—of course numbers may migrate, but enough remain to make it a common bird.

GOLDEN-CROWNED KINGLET, *Regulus satrapa satrapa*.—Montreal; last seen December 1st.

ROBIN, *Planesticus migratorius migratorius*.—Bury, December 10th; two plainly seen and heard chirping. Robins are usually gone from this locality by the end of October. Have only two records for November and none later. Montreal; last seen November 3rd.

I have omitted mention of the ever-present Chickadee and the Owls—of the latter I noticed only the Barred and Saw-whet at Bury.

MEETINGS OF BOTANICAL BRANCH.

Held at the home of Mr. James M. Macoun, Saturday evening, April 19th, the following members being present: James M. Macoun, G. H. Clark, A. Eastham, A. E. Attwood, R. B. White, Mr. Honeyman, Dr. M. O. Malte, J. R. Dymond, J. J. Carter, F. E. Buck and L. H. Newman.

Mr. Macoun reviewed Dr. L. H. Pammel's "Manual of Poisonous Plants" as follows:—

THE POISONOUS PLANTS OF CANADA.*

While it is not possible to summarize in a few paragraphs

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