as soon as the lakes open in the spring the ducks leave the rivers and take to the lakes.

(May 24, 1889.) I collected a pair of the Water Thrush (*Seiurus noveboracensis*), the only specimens I ever saw here. The Golden Crown (*Seiurus aurocapillus*) is not uncommon, and nests with us.

I collected a ♂ Yellow-bellied Woodpecker, which was of a bright amber color on the belly; and all that ought to be white on the back and wings of an amber color also. I also got his mate, and her crown was pure black without any red.

I found a nest of the Red-breasted Nuthatch (*Sitta canadensis*), with young about ready to fly. It was built in a rotten stub, about five feet from the ground, and around the hole there was a ring of pine or balsam gum plastered on the stub. I thought it was put there to catch ants, flies and other insects, so that the young ones might learn to provide for themselves, for I noticed them pushing out their heads and pecking at the gum. I have found three nests of the Chicadee (*Parus atricapillus*), and they were all lined with the wool of the wild rabbit.

(May 3, 1890.) To-day I saw a lot of Black and White Warblers (*Mniotilta varia*) for the first time this spring, and also some specimens of the Black-throated Green Warbler (*Dendroica virens*).

The Fox Sparrows came on April 17, and disappeared about the 29th. I saw a solitary one to-day. I also saw a flock of Wild Geese and many Gulls flying southward. Doubtless the very cold weather we are having has caused them to return.

(May 6, 1890.) I collected a fine ♂ *D. virens;* they are feeding on some kind of insect which they find on the foliage of the hemlock trees. They flutter over the boughs, making a snapping noise with their bills, and then dart in and catch an insect. They have the ability to run up and down the trunks of trees, like a Tree Creeper, but you do not very often see them doing it.

The Ruby-crowned Kinglets are now singing, they have a peculiar and very sweet song. I have seen these birds many times, but never heard them singing until a few days ago. They