

While moose are now numerous in nearly all the unsettled parts of the Province, I am not aware that caribou have ever been met with south of the chain of waters formed by Lake Nipissing and French and Mattawan Rivers, and it is only after some distance north and west of those streams is reached, that they are found to be numerous. There is also abundant evidence in the parts of the antlers and skulls still found that Ontario was, at no very remote period the home of the wapiti or elk also, although there are none to be found in it now except perhaps an odd one along its western border. This is the more remarkable from the fact that in nearly all parts of the adjacent Province of Manitoba they are quite numerous. In that Province they and the moose sojourn side by side apparently in the best of fellowship. It is also rather remarkable that there are no prairie chickens in eastern Ontario, although they are as abundant as are our partridge all along from Manitoba to a considerable distance east of the Neepigon River.

It would be an experiment well worthy of a trial for the government to procure a few pairs each of elk and caribou, also a few dozen brace of prairie chickens and let them loose in the Algonquin Park. Their natural food is there in as much abundance as anywhere else, while the cover is better, and the winter less severe than it is in their habitate farther west. I can conceive of no reason why they should not remain and prosper there. Should the experiment prove a success it would furnish a splendid addition both to the quantity and quality of our game.

There have been a great many alterations and additional restrictions in our game laws during the past few years, and there is still a wide divergence of opinion as to their efficiency as they are at present, both as to the number one man may kill and the season for doing so. A great many hunters would prefer both a longer and a later season, and