

521. *American Crossbill*. On July 3rd Mr. W. A. D. Lees saw a small flock of these birds, apparently young of the year, with bills not quite fully developed. They seemed to be picking up something from the sand of a newly made road in Ottawa East.

528. *Redpoll*, May 22nd, F. A. Saunders. A late date for the species.

533. *Pine Siskin*, May 16th, F. A. Saunders. Also late.

563. *Field Sparrow*, May 6th, W. A. D. Lees.

622a. *White-rumped Shrike*. On July 22nd Capt. Veith handed Mr. Kingston a shrike which seemed to him about midway between this variety and the true *ludovicianus*.

628. *Yellow-throated Vireo*. May 10th, A. G. Kingston.

572a. *Yellow Palm Warbler*. May 10th, A. G. Kingston.

758. *Olve-backed Thrush*. Oct. 11th, A. G. Kingston.

The following warblers have been rather unexpectedly found here during the breeding season, viz.:—657 *Magnolia*; 662 *Blackburnian*; 685 *Wilson's*.

A nest of the *Florida Gallinule* (219) were taken by Messrs. W. E. and F. A. Saunders near Kars on the Rideau, July 9th, containing seven eggs, partly incubated. The same gentlemen also discovered on July 7th, that gem of all ornithological prizes a nest of the *Ruby-throated Hummingbird*. It was in process of building and they had the rare privilege of watching the bird working at it for about an hour. On the 12th the completed nest with two fresh eggs was taken.

As there is some doubt among the leaders as to the comparative abundance in this district of the *Wood Thrush* and the *Hermit Thrush*, the members of the branch will confer a favor on the leaders by making a careful investigation of this question during the coming year, taking especial care in the identification of each species.

The leaders are glad to be able to announce that they have in preparation for the pages of THE OTTAWA NATURALIST, and almost completed a list of all the birds recorded for this district up to the end of 1890.* In view of this fact it has been thought better not to publish the usual list of dates of arrival and departure. This list has,

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