

19th last Mr. Saunders and I arrived at Leamington about 7.30 p.m. and started on our tramp by going about 5 miles towards the lake on the east side of the point and camping for the night near the road in a little wood where our first bird the Great Horned Owl was noted, as well as a small bird or two journeying overhead. At daylight we were on the move for the lake shore but before reaching it we saw a number of Marsh Harriers and a small flock of ducks, possibly Black Ducks. Feeding in a weedy patch near the road were a number of Dickcissels. The lake was soon reached and having a nice sandy beach we expected to find waders and gulls. The first to be noted were the Herring, the Ring-billed and Bonaparte gulls, Black-billed, Semipalmated, Golden and Kill-deer plovers, Sanderlings and Baird's Sandpiper. Skimming past the Common and Black Terns were seen. By noon the tramp is beginning to tell and we halt to rest and get dinner. The lake water has to be boiled, and the drifting sand plasters the bread and butter but being hungry everything goes and we are soon off again. In passing the open water of the Marsh we were able by the aid of glasses to identify the Horned Grebe. Evening found us at the point and having walked all day in the sliding sand and thinking that enough was as good as a feast, we camped for the night under a scrubby red cedar. Next morning, breakfast over, a start was made back up the west shore, where owing to the woods we expected to find very different birds; the first specimens noted were a pair of Cooper's Hawks and Sharp-shinned Hawks were to be seen all day while the small birds which they caught napping were many, as was evidenced by the bunches of feathers found here and there through the woods. Warblers were numerous, including Black and White, Black-throated Blue, Black-throated Green, Bay-breasted and Chestnut-sided, also the Black-poll with a few Golden and Ruby-crowned Kinglets. The Gray-cheeked and Olive backed Thrushes seemed to be the favourite food of the Hawks with once in a while a Cuckoo. On nearing Leamington we saw a number of Bald-headed Eagles sailing aloft and on the shore found a number of dead Shad which had been discarded by fishermen. These accounted for the presence of the eagles. A walk of 3 miles back to the train at Leamington finished a very pleasant two days outing.