



TWO RARE BIRDS

A friend having reported to me, at about four o'clock one beautiful afternoon of last week, that she had seen an Evening Grosbeak, the call of the woods and of the fields and of the beautiful sunlight became too strong to resist, so I locked my office door and sallied forth. Although searching for two hours about the locality where the bird had been seen I failed to find him, but was however amply rewarded for my efforts in meeting with E. Bohman, Warrington, a bird equally rare in New Brunswick.

Both of these birds are natives of the far northwest breeding within the Arctic Circle and wintering south to Alberta and Saskatchewan and into the north prairie of the middle-western States. It is said that none have been reported in New Brunswick since the nineties. I discovered the Waxwing regaling itself on the fruit of an English Hawthorn (Crataegus Oxyacantha) and as if to repay me for my kind attentions, imagine my surprise, while at supper, and looking out upon a tree of the same species on my own grounds to see the identical bird, or perhaps another of the same species, alight on a branch and proceed to enjoy its mellow fruits.

The Song Sparrow is here, having arrived March 31. It is usually the last to leave in the fall and the first to arrive in the Spring. It is also one of the best singers among our feathered musicians. What can we do to attract birds about our homes? Did you ever experiment with bird houses? If you are interested send to U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C. and ask them to send you "Farmer's Bulletin 609" which is a pamphlet on "Bird Houses and How to Build Them," and is sent free for the asking.

All birds need a daily supply of clean fresh water both for drinking and for bathing purposes. An inexpensive and attractive bird-bath may be made with a little cement and a few field stones. Make the top two or three feet diameter and about three inches deep. It should be of a depth of two or three inches with cool fresh water, and you will most surely be rewarded for your pains.

A RAEMAEKERS POSTER

Louis Raemaekers, the famous Dutch cartoonist, has generously drawn for the National Committee for Relief in Belgium one of the most remarkable and certainly the most heartrending of all the "War Posters."

The misery of the millions now in Belgium whom the Germans refuse to feed has inspired this notable artist to his finest effort. A Belgian woman, with a ragged red cloak over her shoulders, is holding tightly to her breast an infant in a shawl. Around the child is clasped the mother's hand, and the child's eyes are staring in the woman's face there is the infinite sorrow of motherhood, driven to despair by German inhumanity, and the pitiful, helpless yearning to relieve the child's suffering.

But it is in the face of the child that Raemaekers has told the full horror of the tragedy of Belgium. The staring terror in the eyes that look up at the mother makes one shudder and turn away to think what might have been in England. With remorseless realism Raemaekers, in this infant of pain, has visualized to the world the infamy of Germany.

The poster, which is artistically reproduced, has this laconic heading: "In Belgium." Underneath, appears the one word "Help." Any reader of this newspaper can secure a copy of the poster free of cost by sending a postcard to the Hon. Secretary, National Committee for Relief in Belgium, Trafalgar Buildings, Trafalgar Square, London.

BROWN TAIL MOTHS

Mr. L. S. McLaine, field officer in charge of the Brown Tail moth survey work in New Brunswick, left last evening for Ontario to make up his report to the Dominion Department of Agriculture on the past season's work in this province.

The report as submitted to the Provincial Department of Agriculture shows that a total of 285 Brown Tail moths were found during the winter of 1915-16, in comparison with 239 found during the season 1914-15.

As usual, the greater number of nests were found in the western portion of Charlotte County, bordering the State of Maine. In York County most of the nests were found in the western portion and only a few along the St. John river.

The following table shows the number of nests found in each county:

County	1914-15	1915-16
Carleton	204	327
York	7	24
Sunbury	9	23
Queens	11	12
Kings	7	9
Carleton	7	11
Total	239	395

THE BOOK AND THE SWORD

The Beacon has received from the Rev. Henry R. Boyer, St. John, N. B., district secretary of the Canadian Bible Society, a copy of The Book and the Sword, a popular illustrated report of the British and Foreign Bible Society for the year 1914-15. Nearly 150,000 Testaments in Khaki, with special inscription, have been presented to the Canadian troops by the Canadian Bible Society through its various auxiliaries. More will be provided as the number of men going to the front is increased. Contributions will be gratefully received by any of the auxiliaries.

THE SPRING FIRE-PEAK

If the forest fire danger were represented by a line rising and falling as the danger increased, or decreased there would be a sharp rise or "peak" in the few weeks after the winter snow leaves the woods. This is much the case that the "Spring Fire Peak" is well known to every forester. The ground is dry, the dead leaves and twigs are as dry as tinder, and the least spark may start a fire that will sweep whole miles of forest. All who go to the woods are cautioned to be especially careful not to start a fire, and many fire guards are on duty at this season but if these rules are observed much more timber will be saved than can be saved through the most strenuous efforts of fire fighters. The time to stop a forest fire is before it starts. Canada is so rich in timber and our resources are being so rapidly exhausted that every patriotic citizen will do all he can to prevent the timber being helped by the destruction of Canadian resources.

THE LATE MR. JOHN PAYNE

The death of Mr. John Payne, in his 74th year, at his residence, The Boltons, London, S. W., removes a notable literary figure of the Victorian period.

Up-River Doings

St. Stephen, N. B., April 5. Mrs. Ralph T. Horton has been quite ill during the past week with an attack of erysipelas.

CHARITY

The Gospel, though it has left men in possession of their ancient rights, yet has enlarged the duties of love and compassion, and taught rich men to consider the poor not only as servants but as brethren, and to look on themselves not only as the masters but as the patrons and protectors of the needy.

THE LATIN FOR IT

A correspondent writes: The report I read in the Manchester Guardian of one M. P. calling another a "silly ass" because he was slow to see the point of an answer in the House reminds me with how much more delicacy the phrase was used once in the Senate House at Cambridge. The Public Orator was so much interrupted during his Latin oration that he stopped and, directly addressing the rowdies in the gallery, asked in Latin whether he was to be spared the phrase or whether he was to submit to this vocal intimidation. His protest ended with the words "Ansilium?" (Am I to be silent?) "Sileas!" instantly returned a ribald scholar in correct Latin. — Manchester Guardian.

ROLLING DAM, N. B.

Mrs. Sarah Hill, of Whittier Ridge, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Henry T. Boyd at A. B. McCann is much improved in health.

BOCABEC, N. B.

Mr. James A. McCullough had an exciting experience one day last week; while hauling his last load of logs to the mill he was crossing what is called The Round Pond, when, without warning, the ice gave way and horses and load went into the water about eight feet deep and no end to the mud. Being alone he could not get the horses out, but managed to get them unhooked from the load and separated from each other. Then he had to go a mile and a half for help; and as Jim has been off the turf for some time, his wind was not just what was required in such a time. But run he did, as Tom Longboat never ran, to the nearest house, where he got assistance in the person of John Kerr, who, with his horse, not a very good speeder either, got there just in time. When they reached the spot one horse was all under but his nose, while the other had turned around in his struggles and got his head upon the load. With the aid of the extra horse and good footing, and some long chains, the horses were saved, none the worse for the cold water bath. A party of men went back in the morning to get the sled and found the ice unsafe for a man.

ROSE TEA "is good tea"

Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah Newman, of Eastport, have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Beane.

FAIRHAVEN, D. I.

It was a treat to see the large number of Robin Redbreasts which arrived in these parts on Sunday, April 2, showing us that Spring is here once more.

WOOD ISLAND, G. M.

Lawson Wilcox moved Byron Wilcox and family, on March 28, to Black's Harbor, where they will work for the summer.

LORD'S COVE, D. I.

Mrs. T. P. Lambert, Mrs. Hannah Leach, and Mrs. Amanda Greenlaw are still on the sick list.

BARTLETT'S MILLS, N. B.

Miss Bertha L. Richardson, of Rolling Dam, spent the week-end here with relatives.

CAMPOBELLO

Master Douglas Finch, who has been on the sick list for a time, is much better.

SEAL COVE, G. M.

Mr. Colan Dalzell has purchased a new horse from M. L. Kent, of North Head, G. M.

CUMMINGS' COVE, D. I.

Quite a number from here attended the obsequies of the late Mrs. John Kay, which were held from her home at Indian Island on Saturday afternoon last.

WILSON'S BEACH, C-BELLO.

Mr. Ethelbert Savage made a business trip to St. John this week.

WHITE HEAD, G. M.

John F. Morse made a trip to Nova Scotia and back last week. Mr. and Mrs. William Oubouse were passengers to their home in Tiverton; and Mr. Roy Morse, with his two little daughters, made the round trip.

MINIATURE ALMANAC

Table with columns for Day of Week, Sun Rises, Sun Sets, H. Water a.m., L. Water a.m., L. Water p.m., L. Water a.m.

PORT OF ST. ANDREWS

Table with columns for Ship Name, Agent, Destination, Arrival, Departure.

SHIPPING NEWS

Table with columns for Ship Name, Destination, Arrival, Departure.

ATLANTIC STANDARD TIME

Table with columns for Ship Name, Destination, Arrival, Departure.

CHURCH SERVICES

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—Rev. W. M. Fraser, B. Sc. Pastor. Services every Sunday, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday School, 10:30 a. m. Prayer services Friday evening at 7:30.

ST. ANDREW CHURCH

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TRAVEL

CANADIAN PACIFIC HOMESEEKERS EXCURSIONS FROM MARITIME PROVINCES WESTERN CANADA TICKETS ON SALE EVERY WEDNESDAY

EASTERN STEAMSHIP LINES

ALL-THE-WAY-WATER. FRONTIER LINE. Service Temporarily Discontinued. INTERNATIONAL LINE.

CHANGE OF TIME

Grand Manan S. S. Company Grand Manan Route—Season 1915-16. After October 1, 1915, and until further notice, a steamer of this line will run as follows:

MARITIME STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

On March 3, and until further notice, the S. S. Connors Bros. will run as follows: Leave St. John, N. B., Thorne Wharf and Warehouse Co. on Saturday, 7:30 a. m. for St. Andrews, calling at Dipper Harbor, Back Bay or Lettie, Deer Island, Red Store, St. George. Returning leave St. Andrews, Saturday, 7:30 a. m. for St. John, calling at Lettie or Back Bay, Black's Harbor, Beaver Harbor and Dipper Harbor, tide.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE ST. ANDREWS, N. B.

R. A. STUART, High Sheriff. Time of Sitting of Courts in the County of Charlotte—

ST. ANDREWS POSTAL GUIDE

ALBERT THOMPSON, Postmaster. Office Hours from 8 a. m. to 8 p. m. Money Orders and Savings Bank Business transacted during office hours.

LETTERS WITHIN THE DOMINION

Letters within the Dominion and to the United States and Mexico, Great Britain, Egypt and all parts of the British Empire, 2 cents per ounce or fraction thereof, in addition to the postage necessary, each such letter must have affixed a one-cent "War Tax" stamp.

POST CARDS ONE CENT EACH

Post Cards one cent each to any address in Canada, United States and Mexico. One-cent cards must have a one-cent "War Stamp" affixed, or a two-cent card can be used. Post cards two cents each, to other countries. The two-cent cards do not require the "War Tax" stamp.

NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS

Newspapers and periodicals, to any address in Canada, United States and Mexico, one-cent per four ounces.

Advertisement for King Cole Tea, featuring an illustration of a tea box and the text "To-day EVERYDAY AND EVERYDAY You'll Like the Flavor 40c., 45c., 50c. Per Pound".

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BENEATH THE SOUND. And sight of strife around. And bullets sped to him. Cumbered with snow. The parched and cold. Speak not to me of rain. Herein. All this has lain. In here—and here I am. For always shall not. The spirits of those. To bid me—waking. And now—to meet.

THE JUSTICE AND

M. RUTLAND. morning. As faintness troubled him. After breakfast, he tried to study, trying to absolute necessity. But at eleven he dropped his pen. He was sitting with his brother. The tedious of the news at home.

His age was about a casual eye he peered but certain lines denoted a habit of and his voice suggested townspeople, regular social influence, by peace and life of inevitable man. Mr. in a very different suffered especially which weighed upon.

Born to easy circumstances at three-and-a-half had been born to only three of them of narrow mind and him in every detail. He was, surely, with moment that the young man had perceived. He had been to the town in his party, and near Rutland viewed the pension, but it kept for the same reason charge his function. At her various local shows, presided encouraged movement benefit of working which dutia Mr. liked. But still in shadow of domestic very well that his as asserted that.

All his acquaintances or two old friends of energy which abilities, and would read, so interesting be content to leave. But as to the courtesy of his differentiation for a reputation for his scamp counted on him when he came. A private case of. Evidently a paltry a stranger in the hour or two with a laughing face and a strong voice under insult, he and was forthwith of a constable who observed the peculiar interest of people strongly looked superior though unimposing circumstances, was impudent. Age clear beyond his years. "What's his name?" "Henry Goodwin." "Goodeve—Goodwin?" "Rutland's prisoner." At voice was heard Mr. Rutland's features betrayed a private case of. The statements of money nor more the clothing he in the town on less, and this. The statements of money nor more the clothing he in the town on less, and this.

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