

In Hungary, Otto Hermann is largely responsible for similar measures being taken; and in fact the Austro-Hungarian Government manufactures these boxes in state factories.

In England a Royal Society for Bird Protection has undertaken similar work.

The United States Government has recommended such measures; and many states are actively engaged in bird protection and their work is ably supplemented by the National Association of Audubon Societies.

In Ottawa through the wisdom and efforts of Dr. C. Gordon Hewitt, Dominion Entomologist, there are to be two bird sanctuaries. In other sections too, bird protection is receiving a little of the attention which it justly merits.

The Martin house on our own grounds as well as the trees have attracted birds in increasing numbers yearly for some years past; and apart from any economic value, which they undoubtedly have, have afforded a vast amount of pleasure.

The bird houses which the boys of Grammar School Manual Training Class are building in competition for the prizes I offered will I trust be hung in Elm Park as it is my intention to approach the mayor and council on this matter; and doubtless they will assent to such a proposal. The result will I can assure every doubting Thomas be bifarious: affording protection to the trees and a source of pleasure to those frequenting the Park as bird notes float from the branches.

Trees are a monument to a man's love of the beautiful in Nature and surely there is no citizen but would like to see the trees of Elm Park standing for many a year to grace the only recreation and resting place our town affords; and also to see them more extensively inhabited by our feathered friends.

"There are always destroyers and upbuilders;
In everything these two forces blend;
While the moth and the locust are destroyers.
The bird, is Nature's greatest friend."

Chatham, N. B.
Apr. 29th, 1914