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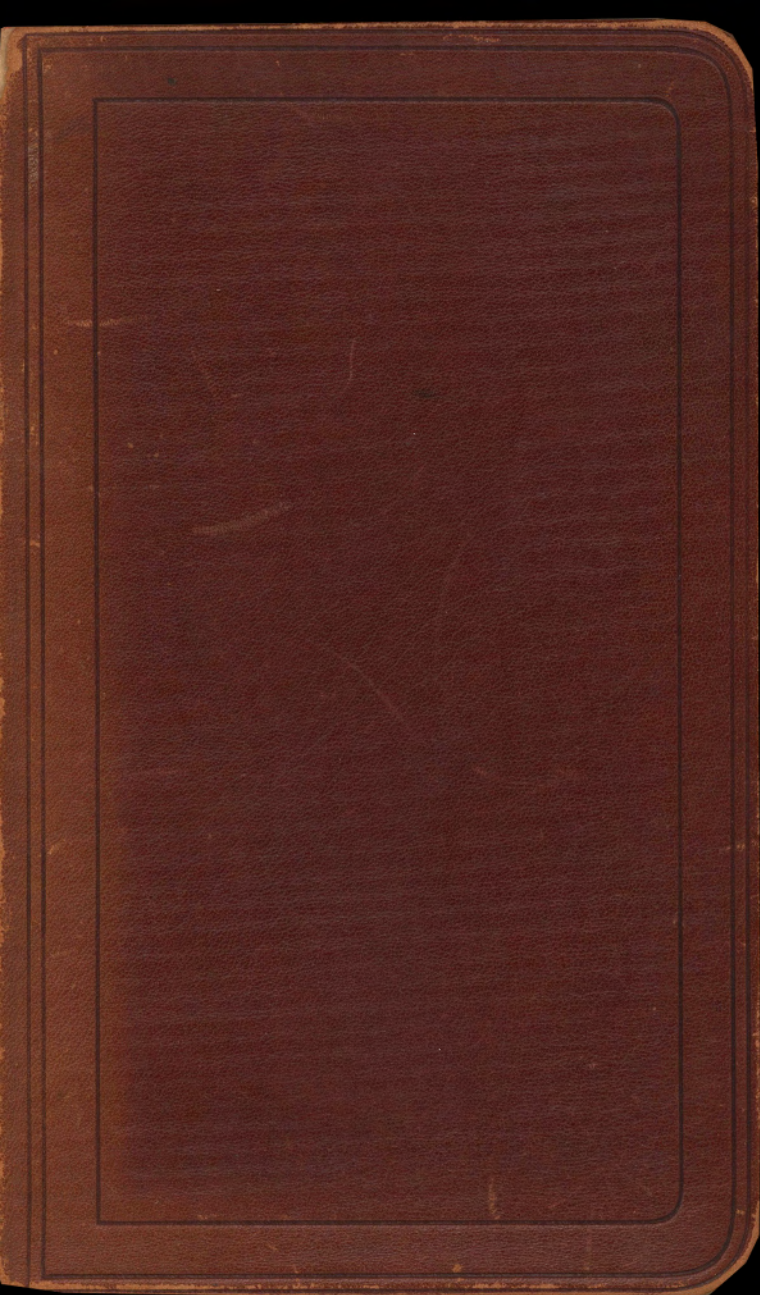
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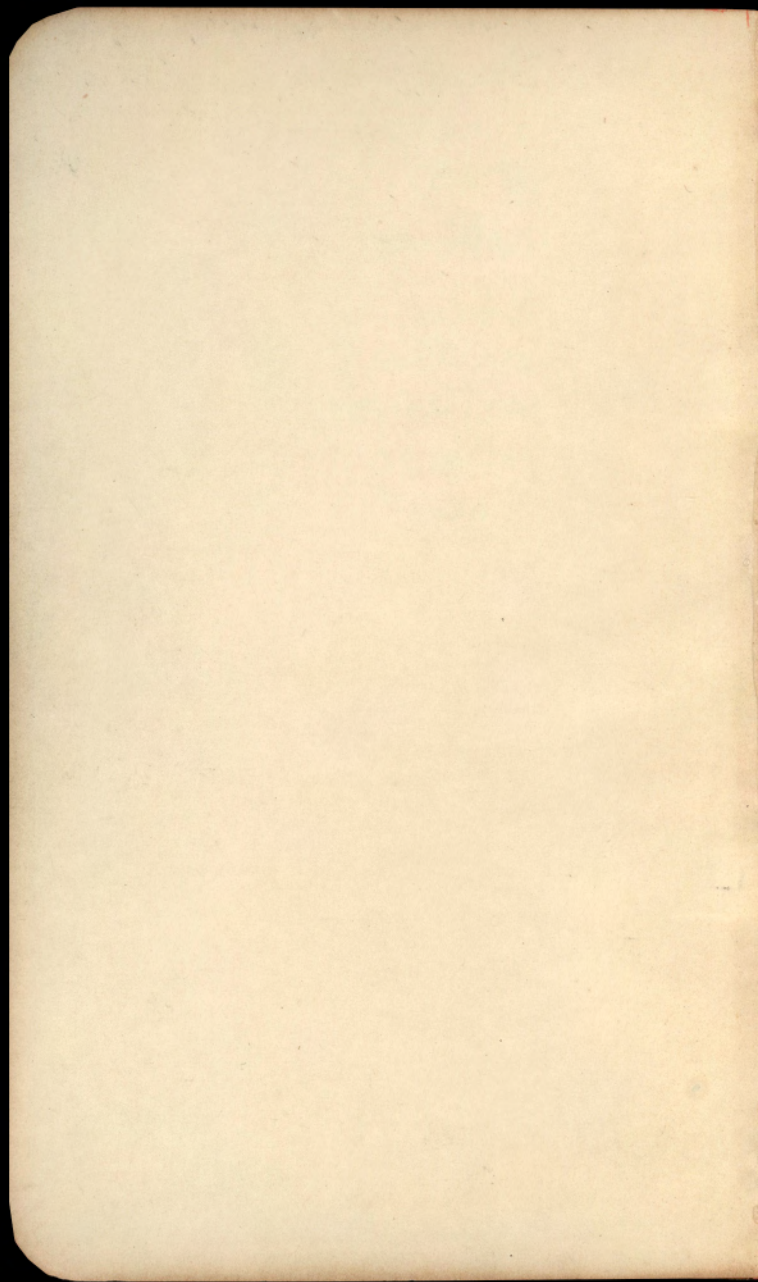


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28 N. Clinton St.
Rochester N.Y.

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March 28 1878

Went to Braddocks Bay
and staid over night at
~~Lewis~~ Skinner's

Very few ducks - probably
on account of the early season
permitting them to pass
North without stopping here
Mch 29.

1 Red-head ♀ (J.) 1 Crow (J.)
Apr 24

Went to Braddocks again
and staid two nights

1 Blue-bill ♀ (over decoys S.)

Apr. 3

2 Blue-bills ♀, ♂ (over decoys S.)

Apr. 4

1 Blue-bill ♀ (J.)

1 Crow (J.) 1 Killdeer Plover (J.)

Apr 20 Webster

2 Killdeer Plover (J.)

A.

May 16th I. Bay.

No. 1 ♀ Bittern (F.)

May 18th I. Bay

No. 2 ♂ Gallinule ♀ (F.)

May 23 Vineyard near Rochester

No. 3 ♂ Icterus Baltimore (L) Bandlin

"Baltimore Oriole" (S) ~~(L. 7. Ex. 13. W. 4 1/4. tl. 2 3/4)~~

Length 14. Extent 9. Wing 3 3/8

Tail 2 3/4. Bill 3/4. Tarsus 5/8.

1st Toe 3/8. 2^d Toe 9/16

May 23 Ploughed field near R

No. 4 ♂ *Eremophila alpestris* (Forst) Boie

"Horned Lark" (S)

L. 7. Ex. 13. W. 4 1/4. tl. 2 3/4

h. 7/16. tr. 7/8. 1st cl. 3/8

No. 5 ♀ do. same place & time

L. 7. Ex. 11 3/4. W. 3 3/4. tl. 2 3/4

h. 7/16. tr. 7/8. 1st cl. 3/8

May 30 Cherry tree R.

No. 6 ♂ *Ampelis cedrorum* (V.) Bd.

"Cherry Bird," (S) "Carolina Waxwing"

L. 7. Ex. 11 3/4. W. 3 3/4. tl. 2 in. f. 3/8

June 13th S. Bay.

No. 7. ♂ *Adelta exilis* (Sm.) Gr.

"Least Bittern" (F.)

L. $13\frac{1}{2}$ Ex. 11. W. $5\frac{1}{8}$. tl $1\frac{3}{4}$.

t. $1\frac{3}{4}$ tr. 18.

June 21st Ridge road Near R.

No. 8 ♂ *Sialia sialis* (L.) Haldeman

"Eastern Bluebird" (F.)

L. $6\frac{1}{2}$. Ex. $12\frac{1}{2}$. W. 4. B. $\frac{1}{2}$. tr. $\frac{3}{4}$

tl. $2\frac{3}{4}$ 1st t. $\frac{5}{8}$ 3rd t. $\frac{5}{8}$.

No. 9 ♂ *Icterus baltimore* (L.) Dandelin

"Baltimore Oriole" (S)

L. $7\frac{3}{4}$. Ex. $11\frac{3}{4}$. W. $3\frac{3}{4}$. tl 3. B. 8

tr. 8. 1st t. $\frac{8}{8}$. 3rd t. $\frac{9}{16}$.

July 3rd

No. 10 *collurio*

(S)

L. $8\frac{3}{4}$ Ex. 12. W. $3\frac{3}{4}$ B. $\frac{9}{8}$ tr. $\frac{15}{16}$ tl $3\frac{1}{2}$

No. 11 ♂ *collurio*

(S)

L. $9\frac{1}{2}$ Ex. $12\frac{3}{4}$ W. $3\frac{3}{8}$ tl 4 B. $\frac{9}{16}$ tr. $1\frac{3}{4}$ 3rd t. $\frac{3}{4}$

July 5th L. Bay above J. Bridge

No. 12 *Picus pubescens* (S)

In such poor condition that I did not keep it. Only 6 tail-feathers and many of the white spots on its wings were eaten (?) away

No. 13 ♂ *Gallinula*

"*Gallinula* *Gallinula*" "Mud-hen" (local) (S)

L. $14\frac{3}{4}$ Ex $22\frac{3}{4}$ Wg. 7 tl. 3 toe $2\frac{1}{4}$ Super $1\frac{1}{4}$

Bill, frontal plate, and ring around tibiae, red; tarsi, toes, and tip of bill, green

Stomach was filled with a mass of green vegetable matter with a good deal of sand mixed in. The green matter when examined under the microscope showed large numbers of diatoms and some confervae.

July 9th

Went to Braddocks ^{with Frank Ellison} and stayed
three days - fishing very poor
but there were quite a number
of pigeons

6 Pigeons (S) 1 Pigeon Hawk (S)

July 10th

1 Pigeon (S)

July 11th

4 Pigeons (S)

1 Red-headed ^{Woodpecker}

July 12

5 Pigeons (S)

Aug 22nd

Started today with F. Ellison
for Waubesaene via Steamer
Magnet & Midland R.R.

Aug 23rd

Arrived at Waubesaene
about 4 P.M. After supper
at 5 we went out and I
killed

1 Blk. duck

(S)

Aug 24th

Wounded, Blk. Duck (S)

Aug 25th

Sunday

Aug 26th

Hired a guide (Lake —) and started up the Severn River. Camped about $\frac{1}{2}$ mi. above the mouth of the Blk. River which we passed about noon.

After dinner I took lake and went out shooting: killed

2 W. Killed 2 ♀ (S)

No. 14 1 Woodduck ♀ (S)

No. 15 1 Woodduck ♂ (S)

Wounded

Wounded Woodduck (S)

Aug 27th

No. 16 1 Blk. duck (S)

Blk. duck (S)

Aug 28

No. 17 1 Wood duck (F.)
Wounded Blk. (F.)

Aug 30

Jack & I went up the R.R. several miles today until we came to a small lake.

After exploring this eve went about $\frac{1}{2}$ mi. farther up to where the River spread out over a large marsh covered with downed trees

No 18 1 Blue Jay (S)

2 Wood Ducks ♀ (F.)

1 Wood duck ♂ (F.)

1 Blk. duck (F.)

Wounded 1 Blk. duck (F.)

} right
& Left

Aug 29

No. 19 1 Blk. duck (F.)

No. 20 1 Wood duck (F.)

Wood duck (F.)

Wounded 2 Wood duck (F.)

} right
& Left

Sept. 1

No. 21

1 King fisher

(8)

Sept. 2

Broke up Camp and went
back to Haubachene

Sept. 3.

Went to Sturgeon River
(about 4 miles) trout fishing

36 Trout largest 9⁴/₈ in long.

Sept 4

27 Trout largest 10 in long.

Sept 5

Started for home.

During this trip we
killed all the ducks we
could eat and could have
killed many more but
the weather so hot that
it was impossible to keep

them. We saw very few partridges - only killing one - and no woodcock.

The bass fishing in the Severn however was very good, in fact the best I ever saw. Pickerel were also very plenty and Frank caught a very fine wall-eyed pike.

We tried the bass with spoons, flies, artificial minnows, and bait, (live frogs). They bit well at anything but best of all at an artificial minnow.

There were no trout in the Severn and no trout streams running into it.

We found pretty good fishing however in the Sturgeon River a few miles from Wau.

Sept 17th

Went to Braddock's and stayed
over night at Skinner's. (with L.A.)

- (No. 22) 1 Esquimaux Curlew (S)
3 Sanderlings (F.)
2 King Plover (S)
1 Stilt Sandpiper (F.)
1 "Hell Diver" (Red-billed Grebe) (F.)

Sept 18th

- (No. 23) 2 Golden Plover (S)
1 Hell Diver (S)
1 Semipalmated Sandpiper (S)

- (No. 24) 1 Bittern (F.)

- (No. 25) 1 Kill-deer (S)

Aegialitis vociferous

L. $10\frac{1}{2}$ Ex. 20 Wg. $6\frac{5}{8}$ tl. 4 t. $\frac{1}{16}$ tu $1\frac{1}{4}$

Oct 4th J. Bay

12 black-birds (F.)

- No. 26 1 Am. Widgeon (F.)

Marca Americana

L. $19\frac{1}{2}$ Ex. $33\frac{1}{2}$ Wg. 10 tl. 4 t. $1\frac{1}{2}$ tu $1\frac{1}{2}$

Oct. 11/78

Went to Braddock's with Louis
Amsden and stayed over night.

2 Hell-divers (S)

Oct 12/78

10 Hell-divers (SS) - 2 F.

No. 21 Red-head ♀ (F.)

No. 28 Fulica Americana (S)

Black Duck (S)

Oct. 25th

Drove down to Braddock's with
Ed. Ellwanger in his buggy. Stayed
one night.

Oct 27th

1 Shell-drake (F.)

1 Red-head (F.)

Nov 1

Went to Braddock's again with Ed.
Ellwanger. Walked from Greece station
arriving after dark. Ed. went home
the next day (Saturday) by way of

Erice. I stayed till Tuesday and had George meet me at Long Pond.

Nov. 2

2 Butler balls (J.) Live decoys
one barrel

Nov. 3

1 Butler ball (J.) Live decoys
1 South-southerly (S) Along the beach

Nov. 4

No. 29 / Quaker (Pin-tail yg. or ♀ ?) (J.) Decoys

Nov. 5

2 Quakers (J.) Live decoys

2 Mallards ♀, ♂ (J.) Decoys

No. 30 / Canvas back (J.) "

Nov. 9 I. Bay.

No. 31 / Screech Owl. (S)

Nov 15

Walked down from Erice to Bradden
Had to wait at Shirley's till
9½ before I could get across
the outlet. Went home the

next day by way of Long Pond.

Nov. 18.

No. 32 Blue-bill ♀ (F)

No. 33 Blue-bill ♂ (B)

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Jan. 13

Started for Florida with my cousin C. A. Watson.

Carried the following lot of duff.

Gun loading & cleaning tools, ammunition, metal shells, pistol and cartridges, compass, matches, spy-glass.

Fishing tackle, taxidermist tools etc., screw-driver and pliers, gimlet, whet-stone, wire, tacks wax.

Microscope magnifying glass, bottles, cloth and paper for diatoms and sea-weed.

Note book and pencils, writing paper, envelopes, stamps etc.

Labels, pins, needles and thread.

Salve, sticking plaster, brandy, "pain killer", ammonia

Scidlit powder, clothes
rubber boots, coat & Hankets
Books (Ornithology etc),
playing cards, extra knife.

Nuded
Rubber Pillow.

Jan 14

Reached Washington this A.M.
and stopped at the Arlington

Jan 15

Left W. this evening and
arrived in Savannah on the
morning of the 17th

Jan. 18

Reached Jacksonville about
5 P.M. - 9 hours late. In the
evening went to see Dr.
Kenworthy to whom C. had
an introduction. Quite cold.

Jan. 20

Dr. K. went down street
with us and helped us
to buy

4	Large hooks	for Tarpon
6	"	" Channell hook
12	"	" Sheephead

12 Small hooks for Sheephead.
3 $\frac{1}{4}$ lbs. large Cotton Line.
1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " small " "
2 " Sinkers.

Shot

25 lbs No. 8. 25 lbs No. 5
" " " 4. " " BB.
8 " Buck shot.

Started for Cedar Keys at
11 and reached there at
8-30. Stopped at the Island
House Dr. McElvaine.

Jan. 21

Loaded 20 Shells No. 8
" 20 " " 5
" 20 " BB

Jan. 22

Went out shooting with Joe.
Saw a few Curlew - very wild.
Large numbers of ducks put

they seemed to be all
Shell-drakes (probably
however they were Widgeons)

1 Cormorant (F.)

1 Killdeer (F.)

Jan. 23

Jones the proprietor of Hom-
osassa came up this morning
and after talking with him we
thought it would be best
to ^{take} the "Spray" (Dr. Kenworthy's
old boat) and cruise along
the coast.

Mr. Jones offered to let
us have the boat furnished
with bedding, kerosene stove
etc., a small skiff and
Bob Towns as sailor for
\$100.00 per month.

We went with him and
bought the following lot
of provisions at a cost of \$35.00

Pork	15 lbs.
Flour	50 ..
Breakfast Bacon	15 ..
Baking Powder	2 cans
Pilot Bread	15 lbs
Salt	1 bag.
Pepper	1 pk.
Vinegar	1 qt.
Gran. Sugar	20 lbs.
Condensed Milk	10 cans.
Can Opener	
Pickles	1 gal.
Dried Peaches	40 lbs.
Tin Plates	$\frac{1}{2}$ doz.
" Cups	"
Knives & Forks	"
Coffee	12 lbs.
Tea Spoons	$\frac{1}{2}$ doz.
Table "	"
Tin Pail	
Coffee Mill	
Canned Corn Beef	3 cans
Manilla Rope	2 lbs

Butter	5 lbs.
Lard	5 ..
Soap	
Wooden Buckets	2
Kerosene	1 gal
Towels	3
Butcher Knife & Saw	1
Hatchet	1
Quilts	2
Frying Pan	
Coffee Pot	
Cotton	
Paper (Took soap)	1 quire
Seidlitz Powders	

Baked Beans

Jan 24

Started for Homosassa in
Juni boat the "Little".

Jan 25

Reached H. about 3 P.M.

Jan. 27

Occupied in getting ready the Spray. The Spray is the boat that Dr. Kenworthy ("Alfresco") used in his trip down the coast in '74.

She is "21 ft. long by $6\frac{1}{2}$ ft. beam; cat rigged with centre-board, form of bottom midway between bateau and yawl; deep sea ^{13 ft} forward, decked over forward for seven feet. movable cabin $6\frac{1}{2}$ ft." Canvas awning for cockpit.

Jan. 28

Got under way about 10 o'clock. Very little wind on the river but when we got outside it freshened up considerably.

Just outside shot

No. 35 Brown Pelican (S)

Cormorant (S)

Bob rigged up the canvas
covering for the cockpit
as a square-sail and
we filled away for Clear-
water steering S. by W.

Passed Bayport 6 P.M.

Anchored at $8\frac{1}{2}$ in 1 fathom
of water about 15 miles
from Anclote 4 miles from
land.

Jan 29

Started off at 6 o'clock
this morning with a light
northeast breeze steering
S. by E. Wind failed and
we came to anchor about
 $8\frac{1}{2}$. Loaded

20 Shells with Duck Shot

60 " " No. 8

48 " " " 5

12 " " Buck

A N.W. wind sprang up about 11 and we filled away steering S. by W. Came to anchor off the Gin House about 8³⁰ with a fresh N.E. wind blowing.

Jan. 30

Woke up this morning and found that the wind had shifted to the N.W. bringing with it a heavy fog.

After breakfast started off through the islands looking for snipe and track-birds. Killed

No. 36 Lesser Blue Heron (S)

" 37 " " " (S)

" 38 Gull (S)

Rabbit (R)

Jan. 31

Fog still continues - looks

like a storm. Went over to
one of the islands and
tramped around all the
morning but saw nothing.
Fog & clouds cleared
off about 4 o'clock this P.M.

Feb. 1

Cloudy again this morning.
Went and saw some Chicago
fellows who have been here
two months, hunting, fishing,
and collecting specimens for
the market.

Made an agreement with
one named Emmet Graham
that he should take his
boat and pilot us down
the coast show us the
best points for hunting &
fishing and prepare all
specimens we might wish
to preserve for \$25 per month.

and board.

He was down here two years ago and claims to know a great many good points. He has quite a good collection of curiosities etc. and seems to know what he is talking about.

Wind ^{freshened considerably} and about 11 o'clock shifted into the NW again and is now (4 P.M.) blowing a gale.

The clouds have nearly all cleared away.

Feb. 2 (Sunday)

It blew hard all last night and got very cold.

In the morning our stove caught fire and we had to pitch it overboard to put it out. Fortunately we were in very shallow water so

we got it up again without much trouble.

About 10 o'clock Bob went ashore saying that he was going to Church. While he was gone Graham and his friend came down to see us and stayed about ~~an~~ hour.

After they went ashore we had no means of getting off the boat and had to stay there until Bob came back which was about 6 o'clock.

By this time it was very cold and as the stove wasn't fixed we couldn't have any hot coffee or anything except some cold Luiscuit.

We passed a most miserable night - too cold to sleep - blowing a gale - hungry

and out of sorts generally

Feb. 3

Got up at daylight and found that the wind had subsided considerably. Got under way as soon as possible and sailed down to where Graham was. He was ready and waiting for us. As soon as he saw us he pushed off and we sailed down ^{the} bay together. Stopped about 11 o'clock and waited for the tide to help us over some shoals ahead.

After getting over these shoals we stopped for dinner and more tide.

After dinner we walked up the beach away and I killed

English Snipe (♂)

Lesser Blue Heron (5)

We also found an alligator head which some one had killed and extracted several teeth from it.

About 6 we thought the tide high enough and we started and tried to get over some bad shoals.

We worked hard for nearly three hours before we succeeded but finally got through about 9 o'clock.

After this we had a clear run of about two miles and then more shoals.

In about an hour we got over these and about 11 o'clock anchored at Indian Pass.

Feb. 4

Picked up some shells this morning and after dinner started for St. Johns Pass which we reached about $4\frac{1}{2}$ P.M.

Anchored near the rookery. This rookery as well as all others that we saw on the coast except some ~~inland~~ ~~rookeries~~ was composed of a low island densely covered with mangroves and entirely overflowed with high-tide.

While getting supper we saw thousands upon thousands of birds of all kinds herons, ibises, cormorants, pelicans etc. flying around and lighting in the rookery.

After sunset we went over to the rookery and shot away a great many shells but with little success.

as it was too dark to see
to shoot.

2 Small White Heron (F)
No. 39 White Ibis (F)
Wood " (F)

Feb. 5

Before breakfast I walked
up the island away and
killed

No. 40 White Pelican (F)

after breakfast while
Graham was skinning my
pelican I logged.

60 Shells with No. 5

In the afternoon we went
over to rookery again.

No. 41 Small Blue Heron (F)

No. 42 Louisiana Egrets (F)

" 43 " " "

" 44 2 Small White Herons "

" 45 Brown Pelican "

Feb. 6

Started off about 8 o'clock. Being a head-wind we had to tow G's boat. Reached Cochraach river about 6 P.M. At the mouth of the river we found large quantities of "black-birds" and I killed ten for supper.

After supper we went spearing fish. The first fish I struck was a Sword-fish about 6 ft. long. I went over board to talk to him but he seemed to be in a hurry and didn't wait. After that I killed my first No. 46 Sheep-head weighing 5 lbs.

Feb. 7

Woke up and found it raining and it continued to rain all

day by spells.

The tide had floated off our water-keg during the night and had knocked out the bung, so we were without water except enough to make coffee for breakfast.

After breakfast we went up the river several miles for water and did not get back until dark.

On the way we stopped at what Graham said was one of the largest shell mounds in the state. From the top of this we got a very pretty view and near it we found a genuine wild lemon-tree and also some sea beans growing.

No. 47 "Mailin" ¹⁸⁷ (5)
" " " ¹⁸⁷ (8)

In the evening went

spearing again
Skipjack, Mullet, 2 Stingarees.

Feb. 8

Heavy squall of wind rain
this morning while eating breakfast.

Rain continued until noon
and then cleared off. During
the morning I loaded

80 Shells with No. 5
50 " " " " 8

Started for Manatee
about 2 o'clock.

Got a ground upon some
sand flats near the mouth
of the river and a heavy
squall springing up had
quite a lively time getting
off and got rather wet.

Came into the Manatee
as we supposed about sunset
and came to anchor.

Wind is blowing hard

from the north-west and it is quite cold. The Spray has been under double reefs.

Feb. 9

Found out this morning that we were not in Manatee river after all but in Terrace Bay. Waited a few hours for the tide and then started for Manatee. Reached there about 3 P.M. having been aground several times on the way.

Went up to the "hotel" and had a good wash and a pretty good meal.

Bought

Condensed Milk	6 cans
Flour	25 lbs.
Corn Meal	12½ "
Sweet Potatoes	½ bush.
at a cost of \$3.50	

Went over to the other side
of the river and staid there
all night.

Feb. 10

In the morning went back to
Manatee after our mail also
a parpoon, left order for a
hily iron.

After getting our mail
started for Terrace Island
which we reached about 3 P.M.

Found an old house
which seemed in very good
repair and we decided to
carry our traps up there and
make it a permanent
camp for a week or two.

After dinner went out
shooting and we killed
several 'gators.

1 Eng. Snipe (5)

No 47 2 Rabbits (3)

Gator 5ft 9in

just back of the house about
1/2 of a mile we found an old
orange and lemon
grove. There were very few
oranges left but large
quantities of lemons.

Feb. 11

Out after gators again
but very poor luck as the
weather was cold and
stormy with rain
of gator.

No 48 ~~H~~ Wren (3)
Turkey Buzzard

Feb. 12

Rather cool this morning
but it warmed up in the
afternoon. Went up the river
after gators also out to
the ponds and killed 10
or 12. Found the eggs

(two)
of a Carrion Crow. They were
laid on the ground in some
thick brush with no attempt
at a nest.

4 Beach Birds (S)

No 49 Carrion Crow (S)

No. 50 White Heron (F)

Small Blue Heron (S)

4 gators

Feb. 13

Went to some rookeries
that Graham knew of
and had shot in last
year. Found very few
birds. On the way back
saw a "cat" but failed
to get a shot. Bob went
to Manatee and bought
some flour and potatoes
etc.

No. 51 Louisiana Egret (S)

No. 52 Night Heron (F)

No 53	White Ibis	(5)
" 54	Quail	(8)
	"	(8)
No 55	Pileated Woodpecker	(8)
No 56	Marlin	(5)
	Rabbit	(2)

This rookery was composed of low trees growing in a shallow pond about knee deep and, ^{being} remarkably free from underbrush it presented a very pretty appearance.

We found quantities of nests but they seemed to be all old ones. Graham shot a 5 ft gator in the pond.

Feb. 14

Started early this morning alone with Graham, trying to find a rookery that he had heard of.

Found it at last about

half past one after a long hard tramp. It consisted of low scrubby bushes entangled together growing in water too deep to wade in. The birds seemed to be all breeding. While wading around I nearly stepped on two moorhens.

No. 57 White Heron (S)

No. 58 Pileated Woodpecker (S)

No. 59 2 Cardinal Birds (S)

Coming back I shot several mullet for supper.

Feb. 15-

Yesterday we engaged a Cracker to ^{take} us out deer hunting to day. Had poor luck although we started several deer.

We bought 4 prs. of antlers from the same Cracker for a dollar.

No 60 Little Blue Heron (S)
" 61 Coon (S)
62 Tell tale (S)

Feb. 16 (Sunday)

C. and Bob went to Nanatee after the mail but found it had not arrived.

In the afternoon Graham & I walked over to one of the ponds to see if any of the gators we had killed had floated.

We found several dead ones floating in the pond and also quite a number of live ones sunning themselves on the bank. There were four on one point and three of them must have been 11 ft. or over.

Walking around the point we found what I said

was the largest gator he
had ever seen. It was lying
on the bank apparently fast
asleep and seemed to be
nearly 15 ft. long.

I gave him both barrels
loaded with buckshot and
wounded him badly but he
succeeded in getting away.

Feb. 17

Foggy with a damp
southeast wind. Walked
around the track before
breakfast and killed

No. 63 yg. Glossy Ibis (F)

No. 64 (F)

Charlie & Bob went over
to Manatee again and E.
& I went after gators.

The fog cleared off about
10 o'clock and we had a
pleasant day although

The wind was blowing a
thru reef breeze.

No. 67 2 Small White Heron (S)

No. 68 Gator 10 ft. 10 in long
Under jaw 20 in Upper 2 in.

Feb. 18

Foggy again in the morning
but it cleared off early
Loaded

5 Shells

Buck

5 "

B.B.

20 Brass "

No. 6

Graham and I went up to
a little pond where Richards
had killed a gator the week
before and got the teeth out. Rather
dirty work as the gator was
rotten enough for the teeth to
come out easily. In the same
pond I killed with my shot-gun
No. 69 2 Small Alligators "long

No. 70 Cardinal Bird (S)

Quail (S)

In the afternoon while going after water in the boat with G. I killed

No. 71 Frigate Bird (T)

Length 34 in Extent 84 in

Feb. 17

Broke up camp and started back leaving G. in a very scurry manner as I thought. Wind being very fresh we had to lay over night at Manatee. When we left G. he gave me

No. 72 Florida Jay

J. E. Graham

Box 724 Battle Creek, Mich.

Feb. 18

Wind from the N.E. and we started off at 7⁴. Passed the mouth of the river at 8¹/₂ and

got across the bay about noon.

Passed Pt. Punalie about 4 P.M. and ran aground soon after and had to wait for the tide.

Had supper and turned in at 5½. Got up at 10½ and with the aid of the tide got over the shoals.

Feb. 21

Made an early start with the wind again from the NE.

Reached St. John's Pass about 11 A.M. Gathered a few shells and in the evening went to rookery where I found very few birds.

Feb. 22

Made another early start getting off at 6-10. Got outside at 6-45 and reached Little Clearwater Pass at 9½

Stopped at the Gin House
for some eggs for Mrs. Jones and
got off at 12 M. Soon after we
left Clearwater several large
flocks of Least-water passed
over us and I killed

No. 13 Cutwater (F.)

No. 14 Cutwater (F.)

Passed Anclote Keys about
3 P. M. and anchored about
5 miles from Hayes Landing
at sunset.

Feb. 23

Fresh S.E. wind this morning
and we started off with everything
drawing well. Reached the
mouth of the Homosassa
river at 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ and H at 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ P. M.

Feb. 26

Spent the last few days in
fishing and today started in

the "Spray" for the "Bird Islands"
Reached there about three o'clock
and found the birds very plentiful
but very wild. Killed before
sunset

No. 15 Tgl. Blue Heron (T.)

No. 16 " " (T.)

No. 17 " " (S.)

About dusk I killed

No. 18 Louisiana Egret (S.)

No. 19 Night Heron (S.)

Broke a firing pin and
had several misfires the
first I had had on the trip

Nov. 1

Started up the river fishing
(with a spoon)

Saw large numbers of
ospreys and a few bald-headed
eagles and I spent most
of the day trying to get
a shot at one.

Charlie caught 6 Red-fish
averaging 4-5 lbs. and quite
a lot of Orange Bass.

I caught a Red-fish weighing 9 lbs.

Mch. 2

Fished up some diatoms
No 80 in the brackish water
near the dock

Mch. 3

Loaded

20 Metal Shells No. 5

Went up Salt River duck-shooting
with George Giles. Shot quite a
number of but only recovered a few

2 Widgeon (F.)

1 Blue-bill (F.)

While I was shooting C. caught
over 40 Sheep-head.

Mch. 4

16 Sheep-head.

McK. 5

Loaded

10 Metal Shells

No. 9

10

" 8

In the morning went shooting again but had poor luck only killing one

No. 81 Widgeon (♂)

In the afternoon started off with Frank Knapp intending to stay out all night and go fire-hunting when the moon set. The moon didn't set however until it was too late to do anything and we got nothing.

McK. 7

Went fishing with C. up Price's Creek. Killed with a rifle at about 75 yds.

No. 82 Lg. Blue Heron (♀) (S).

Me. 8

Had a picnic today. C. is feeling quite badly.

Me. 9

Chas a touch of intermittent fever.

Me. 10

C. is feeling somewhat better. Went deer-hunting with Hodges and had to sleep on the ground without any blankets - rather cold. Saw 14 deer and 2 turkeys but did not get a shot.

Me. 12.

C. had a relapse yesterday afternoon but is better this A.M.
Loaded

8	Metal	Shells	with	Dust
4	"	"	"	No. 8
3	"	"	"	No. 4

Shot on a fatnetto in the garden.
No. 83 ♂ Red-breasted Woodpecker (S)
L. $9\frac{3}{4}$ Ex. 16 Iris dark red,

Mch. 13

C. a little better. Shot on the island

No. 84 ♀ Cardinal Bird (S)
L. $8\frac{1}{2}$ Ex. $10\frac{3}{4}$

No. 85 ♂ Red-breasted Woodpecker (S)
L. 10 Ex. $16\frac{3}{4}$

No. 86 ♀ Red-breasted Woodpecker (S)
L. $9\frac{1}{2}$ Ex. $15\frac{1}{2}$

Mch 15

C. is considerably better.

No. 87 ♂ ————— S
L. $5\frac{3}{4}$ Ex. 9

Mch. 17

Started to day in the "Spray"
for Cedar Key. There was a
fresh south wind blowing

and we ran along very fast
under full sail. About 10
miles from the Keys we encountered
a heavy sea which caused the
boat to roll badly, and finally
in one of her heavy lurches the
boom went under water and
we capsized. This was about
12 $\frac{1}{2}$ M.

The boat did not turn completely
over but lay on her beam ends with
the mast and sail flat in
the water. We all climbed up on
her side and sat there, our
weight sinking her to within
a few inches of the water.

The "Little" which started
out shortly after us passed us
about 3 P.M. under two reefs.

During the afternoon the wind
freshened a little and we floated
in past the 2^d tripod passing
it about dark. During the

night the wind moderated a little.

Feb. 18

About noon we drifted near the Waccasassa tripod which we endeavored to reach using the one oar which we had saved as a paddle. We failed to reach it however and during the afternoon and evening we drifted out to sea before a stiff north-east wind which blew very hard for a few hours in the evening but calmed down considerably about midnight.

About 7 o'clock we succeeded in getting out my hatchel which had in it a flask with about $\frac{1}{2}$ of a pt. of brandy in it and also a bottle of "Painkiller" about $\frac{1}{2}$ full.

These warmed us up

somewhat but they only lasted a short time.

Towards morning Charlie became so weak that he was unable to sit on the boat any longer and fell off into the water.

We tried to get him on board again but were too weak to do anything except to hold him up so that his head was above water.

He gradually grew weaker and weaker being delirious all of the time and finally died about sunrise Wednesday A.M.

Wek. 19

Between 8 and 9 o'clock the tide began setting us down past Sea-horse Light, and we cut every thing movable about the boat adrift including the body hoping to be

able to paddle in to the
light. We paddled for several
hours when the Sloop "Falcon"
J. S. Falcon master picked us
up ^{about noon} and carried us and the
Spray into the Keys.

J. S. Falcon

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210 S. Water St.

Chicago Ill.

E. J. Bussey

8 Metropolitan Bldg.

Chicago Ill.

Fred Dawson

South Haven

Mich.

Wm. McLaughlin

178 S. Water St.

Chicago Ill.

We were picked up about
11 $\frac{1}{4}$ o'clock. In the morning
I had written the following

log on the side of the "Spray"

"The "Spray" belonging to
A. P. Jones of Homosassa was
capsized on Monday noon
about 10 miles from Cedar Keys

There were three persons
aboard C. A. Watson of
Lockport N. Y. J. S. Watson
of Rochester N. Y. Rob. Towne
of Homosassa. Will the
finder please forward this
to Mr. Jones?

Will Mr. Jones kindly have
the bodies packed on ice and
sent home? Mr. Milner at
Homosassa has both addresses.
Please break the news as gently
as possible. C. A. Watson died
Wednesday morning about
6 o'clock.

Wch. 21

Went out in the "Wave" looking
for the body for which I have
offered a reward. Met the
"Little" coming to look for us
having on board

Frank Knapp, Lou Giles,
John Godfrey and Mr Green
Smith

John Godfrey
Southport Conn.

Wch 23

Heavy rain last night.

The Little went back this
morning. Got acquainted
with

J. A. Mead
West Acton Mass.

Wch 24

Mr Mead left to day and
Austin arrived this evening

Feb 25

Hired the Kitty captain Beatty and went out searching for the body. In the evening raised the reward from \$100 to \$500.

Feb 26

The Little came in late last night with Mr. Jones on board and started back about 10^oclock this morning.

Out again but no success

When we got back we found that captain Johnston had reported seeing the body and had started several boats out after it. About 9^oclock they came back the Wave having the body on board. She said that she found the Little in possession of the body which was delivered over to her and she brought it in.

Mr Jones also sent a letter
relinquishing all claims to the
reward.

We had considerable
difficulty about the reward
chiefly with Mitchell and young
Johnston who brought in
the body - Capt. Johnston
who saw it and wouldn't
pick it up - and a Jew by
the name of Jacob Burkheim
who raised the devil generally.

Several of the citizens
stood by us manfully and
we finally succeeded in
packing the body on ice and
getting out of this hell on
earth early Friday morning.

Mr Bettini also gave us
some trouble.

The men who helped us
most were

W. S. Bunting

Dogier, Beatty and Green
Johnson

Wch 27

Went to Jacksonville and had
the body packed in metallic
case and then started for home

Apr. 19

Went after trailing artus, but
found very little out

Apr. 21

Went to Braddocks with Ed.
E. walking from the R. R.

Apr. 22

1 Butter-fall (F)
1 South southerly (S)
No 89 1 Blue hill (S)

Apr. 23

Rainy and stormy
No 90 1 Black duck (F)

Started home in the afternoon
Missed the train and had to
get a man to drive us in
from W. Grace.

Apr. 25

Went down to Bay with

my canoe found large quantities
of arbutus although it was
not all out yet.

No 91 Florida Gallinule (5)
Bittern (3)

Also found Cowslips out

May 1

Light Snow

May 10

Cherry tree in full blow

May 14

Bought in N.Y. of Schuyler, Hartley
& Graham a Scott Gun No. 10208
paying \$115.00 although the
price was \$140.00

Aug. 9

Went fishing with Ed. E. on
"Gravel Lake" (on the Saguenay)
Used flies altogether the
brighter and gaudier the

^{June}
better although a "Grisy King"
took very well. Caught
between us

57 trout all of good
size

Aug. 12
Went to Gravel Lake
again 77 trout

Trondquait Bay above bridge

June 13

No. 92 Bittern ~~♂~~ ♀ L. 24 Ex. 29½

No. 93 Green Crested Fly-catcher ♂

L. 64 Ex. 9 Wg. 3 Tl. 2½.

June 14

No. 94 Long billed Marsh Wren ♀

L. 4¾ Ex. 6 Wg. 1¾ Tl. 1½

No. 95 Crow yg. ♂

L. 17 Ex. 33½ Wg. 11¼ Tl. 7

July 2nd

No. 96 Found an egg of T. Gallinule on
June 16th (quite fresh) and placed it under
a hen & hatched today.

Aug. 25

Started for Canada with
Will Footh

Aug. 28

Reached Parry Sound and
spent the day in hunting
up guides etc.

Secured two - Isaidik
Assance and Wm. King - both
Indians.

King furnished a Mackinac
boat a bark canoe and a
pound. We are to pay him
\$1.50 per day and Isaidik
\$.25.

Got started about sun-down
after buying some provisions
and camped about a mile
from town. Have had some
trouble with my fever and
ague.

Aug. 29

Heavy fog this A.M. and but little wind all day.

Made only 6 or 7 miles and then camped for the night. During the day we caught some fish including a handsome Salmon trout.

Aug. 30

Ran 8 or 10 miles and then camped about noon.

King went out with his hound and started a deer in less than an hour which I killed. I said paddling me.

No. 97 Buck

After dinner paddled around through the islands but saw very few ducks.

No. 98 Porcupine

Aug. 31 (Sunday)

Looped around camp all the morning and in the afternoon paddled up a small river that flows into the bay near our camp

2 Wood-ducks (5)

Sept. 1

Isaiah went with Will in his Peterboro and I started alone in my canoe. Killed another duck same size as the last. The Indians smoked the meat. In the afternoon went duck-shooting but killed nothing but a shell-drake

Had a chill this morning and also one Saturday. Some Indians from Shawanunga River came here today and camped near us for the purpose of hunting

Sept. 2

Went out again this A.M. Isaiah taking Will and I going alone. Had three deer and a bear in the water but got none of them. In the afternoon tried again and had better luck as Will got a doe and I killed a splendid buck.

No 99

I am beginning to have a better idea of this shooting than I had for this buck after first getting away from Isaiah and Will gave me a real very hard time to get him.

Sept. 3

Out again but no luck. When we got back to camp it began to rain and rained

all day.

Sept. 4

A squall from the N.W. threw
our tent down while we
were at breakfast and we
were compelled to wade across
a small stream and pitch
in the lee of some pine woods.
It continued to flow and
rain all day though the
rain held up a ~~halt~~ 41° W.

Sept. 5.

Am feeling pretty badly this morning
and we have decided to start and
try to reach Nanbauchene this
evening (80 miles). The wind is
still from the N.W. and blowing
quite fresh and there is a heavy
sea running but we will be
inside most of the way.

The wind was not quite so
fresh in the afternoon and toward

evening died away completely
so we only reached Midland
15 miles this side of Waubaushene

Sept. 6

Paid off the Indians and
Isiah is busily engaged in
getting drunk. Wm. however
wants to be sensible and has
not drunk anything and has
spent his money for some flour
etc. They started back with
a good breeze from the south
about 11 A.M. - We leave at
12-15 and arrive in Port Hope
at 6-40.

Sept. 8

Arrived home this afternoon
about 5 pretty well used up.

I have not enjoyed the trip
much on account of the fever
and ague troubling me so

We had but little duck shooting though it was principally our own fault as we spent most of the time after deer. The fishing seemed to be very good but we paid but little attention to it. The bass seemed very shy of taking a fly but took a spoon quite freely and would probably have taken an artificial minnow very well, as they did last year on the Severn. Wm. said that he saw numbers of partridges while putting out the ^{hound} but we did not try for them. He killed a large rattlesnake in the woods and we killed several small ones around camp as well as a large copper head. We intended staying a week longer but I was too sick. We ought to

have been here about the
first of October so the
guides say. He took with
me

Gun, cleaning tools, oil, rags etc.
loaded shells 200 No 6 25 Buck & BB
Rifle and 200 shells.

Fishing tackle, rods etc. Compass
matches, small axe, lantern.

Canoe, tent, clothes, rubber
coat & blankets, rubber pillow,
pair of army blankets,
cardigan jacket, moccasins
& leggings, soap, towels, brush
& comb.

Small canvas trunk and
travelling bag. Salve, sticking
plaster handy diarrhoea med.,
^{1609^{grm}} Quinine, Sedlitz powders,
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Taxidermist's tools,
arsenical soap, pliers, file
screw-driver, whet-stone,
shellac varnish.

Note book and pencils, postal cards etc., labels pins needles and thread.

Books, maps, Canada money
Frying pan, kettle, 2 tin pails, can opener, butcher knife and saw, 5 doz tin plates, cups, knives & forks, and teaspoons 2 table spoons.

Baking powder no use
Salt & pepper

6 cans Condensed Coffee
9 " " Milk

Bought at Parry Sound

14 $\frac{3}{4}$ lbs. Ham

11 $\frac{1}{4}$ " Pork

6 $\frac{1}{4}$ " Oat-meal

5 " Rice

2 bottles Pickles

Kerosene

10 lbs Sugar

10 " Salt

n.g.

n.g.

2 bars	Soap	
6 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs	Cheese	too much
	Matches	
2 lbs	Coffee	
1 lb	Tea	
6 loaves	Bread	
14 lbs	Hard tack	too much
$\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	Potatoes	not enough

Needed
Cap without any rim.
Hunting knife.
Artificial minnows etc.
Cigarettes.

Oct. 25

Took my canoe to the Float Bridge
and paddled down into the open bay

- 1 Pintail (F.)
- 1 Blue bill (F.)

Oct 26

J. Bay below the bridge (canoe)

- 2 Cowbirds (F.) (1 barrel)
- 1 Butterbill (S.)

Nov. 2

J. Bay above the bridge

- 2 Green Wing Teal (F.)
- 1 Blue (F.)
- 1 Blk Duck (F.)
- 1 Whistler (F.)

Nov. 12 (Wednesday)

Braddock's. Came here Monday
Had bad luck. Killed nothing
yesterday only three today.

- 1 Mallard (F.) (decoys)

No. 100 2 Red heads (V)
Met Gorge at Long Pond.

Nov. 18

L. Bay below bridge.
No. 101 Butter-ball (S)

Jan. 1 - 1880

No. 102 White-bellied Nuthatch.

Jan. 24

No. 103 *Spizella Monticola*
"Tree Sparrow" ♂ L. 6 Ex 9 $\frac{1}{4}$

No. 104 *Spizella Monticola*
"Tree Sparrow" ♀ (?)

No. 105 *S. Monticola* "Tree Sparrow"
♂

Jan. Feb. 7

No. 106 *Plectrophanes nivalis*
"Snow Bunting" ♂ L. 7 Ex 12 $\frac{1}{2}$

No 107 *P. Hirundin*

"Snow Bunting" ♀ L $6\frac{3}{4}$ Ex. 12

No 108 *P. Hirundin* ♂ L. 7 Ex. $12\frac{1}{2}$

No 109 *P. Hirundin* ♀(?) L. $6\frac{3}{4}$ Ex. 12

Feb. 14

No 110 *Emmophila alpestris* ♂

"Shore Lark"

Saw two flocks of these larks, the first I have seen in winter. Have seen them quite often in summer and a farmer near where I shot No. 4 & 5 said that he had noticed them for several summers and had also seen them with their young. Those that I saw to-day were feeding on the seeds of various weeds very much like snow buntings, and seemed very tame.

Feb. 16

No. 111 *Picus pubescens* ♂

"Downy wood-pecker" L. 7 Ex. $11\frac{3}{4}$

Shot in a pine grove about 8 miles from the lake

Feb. 18

No. 112 *Pyrrhula domestica* Cur. ♂

"English Sparrow." L $6\frac{3}{8}$. Ex $9\frac{1}{2}$.

At the University this morning I noticed a number of sparrows fighting for the possession of an old swallow's nest located under the eaves of the building.

This one was found dead on the ground having apparently having been killed in the fight. The testicles were very much swollen indicating the near approach of the breeding season.

Feb. 20

No. 113 *Picus pubescens* ♂

L. $6\frac{1}{2}$ Ex $11\frac{1}{2}$

No 114 *Calpestris* ♂

L $7\frac{1}{2}$ Ex $13\frac{1}{4}$

Shot near the eastern wide-water, where I had gone after some gulls which Will Frote had seen there the day before.

The testicles of the lark were very large and prominent.

Feb. 20

Mr. Traine received to-day a pair of cardinal-birds (both ♂) (*Cardinalis virginianus*) which had been shot near Bloomfield.

Feb. 22.

No 115 *E. alpestris* "Shore-lark" ♂

L $7\frac{1}{4}$ Ex $12\frac{3}{4}$

No 116 *Spizella monticola* "Tree-sparrow"

♂ L $6\frac{1}{4}$ Ex $9\frac{1}{4}$

No. 117 *S. monticola* ♂

L $6\frac{1}{4}$ Ex $9\frac{1}{4}$

The lark was alone but the sparrow was shot out of a

large flock.

Feb. 24

Quite a number of cherry birds
appeared on Prince St. today.

Feb. 28

Took my canoe to the bay which
is still frozen from Snyder's to
the lake. Quite a number of
ducks - mostly "coveens" and a
few blacks. Immense numbers
of the common or herring gull.

Feb. Mar. 4 F.B. Bridge

No. 118 *Larus argentatus* ♂

Common gull L. 27

Saw several robins ^{meadow-larks} & bluebirds
also large flocks of red-winged
black birds. These last are said
to have been around ^{the bay} all winter.
The gull was shot by Will Foote

March 6. F.B.

No. 119 *Fuligula collaris* ♀

King-necked duck. L $16\frac{1}{2}$ Ex. $26\frac{3}{4}$
Shot by George out of a flock
of blue-bills F.B.

Mar 20 F.B.
No 120 *Melospiza melodia* ♂
Song sparrow L $6\frac{1}{2}$ Ex. $9\frac{3}{4}$

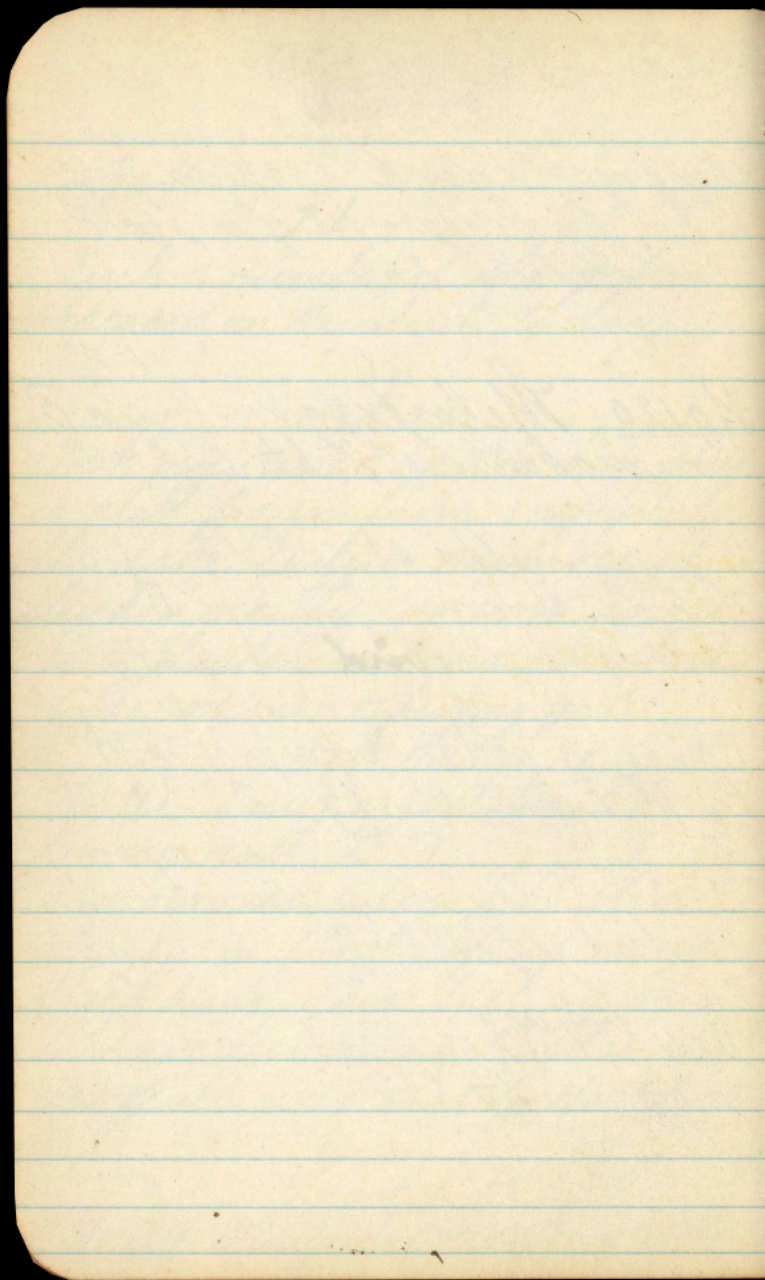
Apr. 10 F.B.
~~No 121~~ ~~*Pipilo erythrophthalmus*~~ ♂
~~Summer red-bird~~ L $6\frac{1}{2}$ Ex. $9\frac{3}{4}$

No 121 *Carpodacus purpureus* ♂
Purple Finch $6\frac{1}{2}$ X $9\frac{3}{4}$

No 122 *Molothrus pecoris* ♂
Cow-bird $7\frac{3}{4}$ X $13\frac{1}{4}$
V.

No 123 *M. pecoris* ♀
Cow-bird $7\frac{1}{4}$ X 12

Will Forte



Apr 24-1880

Started for Colorado this morning

Carried:

Gun Loading & Cleaning tools
metal shells oil rags etc, pistol etc
compass, matches, spy glass, fishing-
tackle, taxidermist's tools, cotton arsenic etc.
Screw driver, whet stone, pliers. Note book
pencils, writing paper etc. Postal cards,
labels, pins, needles & thread, Salve
salve, sticking plaster, Cosmoline, brandy
pain killer, ~~boots~~ riding boots, shooting
coat, rubber cup, Books (Am. Hall etc)
extra pocket knife, cardigan, cap, soft
hat, Quinine, cigarettes, visiting cards
clothes - blue shirts, neckties, underwear
collars, cuffs, scarfs, soapstone, razor etc
clothes brush, tooth brush, brush & comb.
Hacking, over coat

Needed

Canvas leggings, moccasins, rubber coat
Hot nail shoes, jipping rod in short joint
Cheap heavy water, small pocket flask

canvas shoes, bait box for hoppers, belt
hunting knife; Cheap red cotton hand-
kerchiefs, corduroy suit, rifle etc.

Apr. 30 Manitou

No. 124 Egg of Magpie.

Nest built of twigs about two
feet in diameter with cavity of about
6 in placed a little below center, lined
with horse-hair. Entrance concealed.
In a fir tree about 15 ft. from the
ground.

May 8

Macgillivray's warbler

mutilated

No. 125 Cyanurus Stellerii

Steller's Jay 12 X 18 ♀ sent to Buck.

No. 126 Empidonax acadicus

Acadian flycatcher 6 X 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ ♂

May 10

No. 127 Accipiter fuscus 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ X 21 ♂

May 11

No. 128 *Pipilo maculatus* var. *arcticus*
Arctic Towhee $8\frac{3}{4} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$ ♂

No. 129 *Troglodytes aedon* var. *parkmanni*
House wren $5 \times 6\frac{1}{2}$ ♀

No. 130 *Catherpes mexicanus*
Mexican Wren ♂

No. 131 *Helminthophaga virginiae*
Virginia's Warbler $5 \times 8\frac{3}{4}$ ♂

May 12

No. 132 *C. stellii*
Steller's Jay $12 \times 17\frac{2}{3}$ ♂

May 31

Monument Park

No. 133 Steller's Jay (Mrs. Clcott)

No. 134 *Asyndesmus Torquatus*
Lewis Woodpecker $11\frac{1}{4} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$ ♀

No. 135 *Taleo sparreri*
Sparrow Hawk $11 \times 22\frac{1}{4}$ ♀

No. 136 *Sialia arctica*
Arctic bluebird $7\frac{1}{2} \times 13\frac{1}{4}$ ♀

No. 137 *Vireo gilvus*
June 1
Warbling vireo $5\frac{1}{2} \times 9\frac{1}{2}$ ♀

No. 138 *Goniaphea melanocephala*
Blk headed Grosbeak. $8\frac{1}{4} \times 13$ ♂

No. 139 *Sialia mexicana*
Western blue-bird $6\frac{3}{4} \times 13$ ♂

No. 140 *Pyrrangra ludoviciana*
Louisiana Tanager $7\frac{1}{2} \times 11\frac{1}{2}$ ♂

No. 141 *Pyrr. lud.* $7\frac{1}{2} \times 11\frac{1}{4}$ ♀

No. 142 *Pyrr. lud.* $7\frac{1}{2} \times 12$ ♂
(pine grove)

June. 3

No. 143 *Taleo sparverius*

Sparrow Hawk $11 \times 22\frac{1}{2}$ ♂

No. 144 *Colaptes mexicanus*

Red shafted wood-pecker $13\frac{1}{4} \times 21\frac{1}{4}$ ♂

June. 4

No. 145 *Zonotrichia leucophrys*

White crowned sparrow 7×10 ♀

No. 146 *Sturnella magna* var. *neglecta*

Meadow-lark $9\frac{3}{4} \times 15\frac{1}{2}$ ♂

No. 147 *Taleo sparverius*

Sparrow hawk yg ♀

June 5

No. 148 *Pipilo maculatus* var. *megalongus*

$8\frac{1}{2} \times 11\frac{1}{4}$ ♂

Iris dark red.

June 7

No. 149 *T. sparreri*

Sparrow hawk $10\frac{1}{2} \times 22$ ♂

No. 150 *Sialia arctica*

Arctic blue-bird $7\frac{1}{2} \times 13\frac{3}{4}$ ♂

No. 151 *Zenaidura carolinensis*

Carolina dove ♂

June 8

No. 152 *Asyndesmus torquatus*

Lewis' Woodpecker $10\frac{1}{4} \times 20$ ♂

No. 153 *Pica melanoleuca* var. *huronica*

Magpie $20\frac{1}{2} \times 24\frac{1}{2}$ ♂

No. 154 *Colaptes chrysoides*

Gilded woodpecker 13×21 ♂

No. 155 *Hirundo horreorum*

Barn swallow $7\frac{1}{2} \times 12\frac{1}{2}$ ♂

June 9

No. 156 *Pyrrangra ludoviciana*
Louisiana Tanager $7\frac{1}{4} \times 12$ ♂

No. 157 *Goniaphea melanocephala*
Black-headed grosbeak $8 \times 12\frac{3}{4}$ ♂

June 10

No. 158 *Melanerpes erythrocephalus*
Red-head woodpecker $9\frac{1}{4} \times 18$ ♂

No. 159 *M. erythrocephalus*
 $9\frac{1}{2} \times 18$ ♂

No. 160 *C. stellerii*
Stellers Jay $12\frac{3}{4} \times 19$ ♂

No. 161 *F. sparverius*
Sparrow hawk $10\frac{3}{4} \times 23$ ♂

No. 162 *Chordeiles virginianus*
Night-hawk $9\frac{1}{4} \times 23$ ♂

June 14

No. 163 *Scolicophagus cyanocephalus*
Brewer's Blackbird $10\frac{1}{4} \times 16\frac{1}{2}$ ♂

No. 164 *S. cyanocephalus*

Br. Flk-bird $9\frac{1}{2} \times 15$ ♀

Iris yellow in ♂ brown in ♀

About the middle of July rode
up to Ester Park, 150 miles.

July 25

Started out from Ester with Hank
Farrar as guide. He furnishes
pack-horse provisions, blankets,
houser - Muttys - etc. for \$8.00
per day. Rented 40 cal 50 gr.
Maynard Rifle. Camped at
edge of timber line. Clouds &
mist all around us.

July 26th

Camped on Grand River 10 or
12 miles from Grand Lake

Shot a couple of Ptarmigan coming over the range & we caught some trout for supper.

July 27th

Hank took Strayhorn down to Grand Lake & returned about sun down with Ballard & — Rained during night.

July 28

Camped 4 or 5 miles below Jack City. Rains during afternoon & evening.

July 29

Reached — Creek. On the way across the Park we saw numbers of Antelope. Killed one & could have killed a number more if I had wished. Camped about noon & then started out & shot a handsome black-tailed buck out of a band of four.

July 30

Went up onto the range at 8 & did not get back until 7. Found the horses had pulled there pickett pine & we spent several hours catching them. Saw a number of black-tails but spent our time trailing a band of about 40 buffalo. Caught up with them about 3 o'clock & killed one by a very pretty shot at about 100 yds striking him just back of shoulder while in motion. Flank killed the biggest bull in the herd firing some 6 or 8 shots at him. One ball aimed directly between the eyes seemed to have no effect at all. The track made by this bull measured $11'' \times 12''$. Terribly tired.

July 31

Spent to day in resting until about noon & then

packed up & tried to find a camp on top of range. Were prevented from reaching our destination by a large piece of fallen timber & finally had to camp in a small valley. Rain in P.m.

Aug 1

Hunted on the range all day starting at 6 & getting back about 5. Saw a deer & a band of a dozen or so elk - all cows & calves. Did not disturb them as we were ~~out~~ after a pair of antlers. Rained slightly.

Aug 2.

Yesterday we discovered a trail leading to top of range & today we moved our camp up. This makes our hunting much easier saving us a climb of 4 or 5 miles & enabling us to begin hunting at daylight which is an essential

In the afternoon we were out looking for a bull elk but merely found another band - about 40 - of cows & calves..

Aug 3

Up at daylight & off after my bull elk which I am determined to have. Saw one before we had gone a quarter of a mile. Tried a shot from where we were standing about 500 yds but failed to disturb him. Went down the hill & across a little valley coming within 50 yds of him. Made a clean miss first shot but as he started off I put a bullet through his shoulder crippling him so that he could move no faster than a walk then I put another shot into his flank & flank fired bringing him to his

knave but he got up again went a few yards further & then went down a second time. Prepared the head & broke up camp & started home about one. Hard thunder shower in afternoon.

Aug 4

Passed through Park City & camped on Grand River out of which Hank caught a very nice mess of trout in a few minutes.

Aug 5-

Camped on the range a mile or two from Specimen mountain

Aug 6

Got back to Estes Park about 4 o'clock in the midst of a hard thunder shower.

Aug 17

Went down the stage road some 12 miles with Hank after some bears we had

heard of. Tramped around all the afternoon through the rockiest country it has ever been my misfortune to see. Found many fresh traces of bear but failed to find the bear which considering the nature of the place was rather fortunate for us.

Aug 18

Hank is sick this morning - bad cold on his lungs. Walked back to Ester getting there about dinner time.

