

Diary. 1904.

1904

Clear & warmer with light N. wind
nothing off sidewalks where expected to see.

Dr. Townsend called about 9 a.m. He
pronounced my throat better & advised my going out
while I did about noon walking over to the Athletic
and leaving them with E. R. S. at 1 P.M. Saw C.
for about half-an-hour. She seems decidedly better
& in better spirits but still has much pain.

Returned to Athletic Club at 2 P.M. & spent
rest of day & a long evening reading. Tried to
work a little on Cambridge Birds but could
make no progress & gave it up in disgust.

1904

Dover.

of the following.

Snowing steadily all day about 15 in falling. Wind moderate through day. Covered a fine lot of night & during the night today. No. 6. Not strong - Cold. There said to have been 40 at Dover.

Dr. Townsend called to treat my throat about 9.30 a.m. He tells me that Ralph Hoffmann went to Moon Id. yesterday & saw there upwards of 50 Ring-billed Gulls & one or two Coot (Fulica). The latter no doubt are Fresh Pond birds. Maynard saw a lot of Ring-bills at Moon Id. last winter. The big swan surplus there.

Spent day at Athletic Club, the A.M. in reading & writing letters, the P.M. in working on the Cambridge Press.

Boston

January 3

(1904)

Still snowing at day break
& up to 10 a.m. P.M. clear & colder
with high N.W. wind. Storm of yesterday one of heaviest
for years. Boston streets piled high with snow. Electric
& steam roads running but somewhat crippled

Townsend called to treat my throat &
the last time this morning. He says Hoffmann is
now in doubt about supposing Ring-billed Gulls seen
at Moon Island.

I worked on Cambridge Birds through A.M.
and went to Abbot's Ford at 1.30 lunching & dining
there with Miss Seabury and spending afternoon &
evening with C. who continues to improve. Returned
to Athletic Club at 9 P.M.

Boston

January 4,
1904.

Clear & intensely cold. - 4° in
Boston; - 10° at Harvard Square; - 15° at Waltham
Violent N. W. wind.

Spent a.m. working on Cambridge Birds.
To Abbotsford at 12.30 lunching with Miss Swamy
and Margie Deane, spending an hour afterwards
with C., returning to the Athletic Club at 4 P.M.

Boston.

January 5
1904.

Clear with strong N. W. wind. The coldest morning this region has known for many a year. — 7° in Boston; — 10 at Howard Square; — 25° at Concord, Mass.

To Abbotsford at 9.30. Spent half-an-hour with C. & then came down town by electric.

MacKinnon & I visited the estate box at the Safety Vaults, viewing all our Hospital Life notes over to State St. & after leaving the 12,000 interest due on them returning them to the vaults.

Got back to Athletic Club at noon & did not go out again to-day.

Boston (Athletic Club - St. Margants) January 6
1904

Clear & milder with light W. wind.

I had a restless, uncomfortable night and was unmistakably ill this morning. Sent for Dr. Townsend who came about 8.30 & we over decided on Sunday morning to St. Margants. Gilbert & he arranged all the details & I was driven over about 11 a.m. in a close conveyance, well wrapped up, with a hot water bottle & Gilbert in attendance. Was given a front room on ground floor of house #15. It has a Franklin stove with hard coal fire. Miss Henders is to be my nurse by day, Miss Galbraith by night.

Boston

(St. Margarets)

January 7
1904

Sunny and apparently calm
& mild.

Spent a feverish uncomfortable day in bed
at the hospital. Dr. Townsend called twice I
believe. Saw us our dear dear the nurses and
Gilbert. Slept more than half the time. No
pain worth mentioning. Trouble chiefly tonsillitis.

Dr. J. Thoms.

Lowisburg Square pretty & quiet; also very
old-fashioned. I hear the street whistles whistling
Anne Laurie & other airs of forty years ago. They

must get them from a few select street
bands which are said to frequent the
square when the weather is mild.

Boston (St. Margarets)

January 8
1904.

Cloudy, threatening snow which began
falling thick and fast before dark continuing
through the night. Much warmer, the snow thick.

My second day in bed at St. Margarets
enlivened by a call from C. who to my unbounded
astonishment, walked into my room about 3 P.M.
having driven over from the Abbotsford with
Miss Swersey. She stayed only fifteen or twenty
minutes.

Boston, (St. Margarets)

January 9
1904

Snowed heavily all last night, moderately through this forenoon, the sun coming out in late P.M. Fully 15 inches, they tell me, has fallen during this storm. The snow has been damp & has not drifted much at least in the city.

Much better to-day sitting up, partly dressed in the late afternoon & evening. E. R. S. called to see me after dinner & Sister Francis read to me about an hour from Menjes's Japan. Dr. Townsend called twice, in the morning

and at evening. Bath room also with water bags of assorted sizes some no bigger than a glass of water.

Boston.

January 10,
1904

Clear with fresh N. W. wind.

Rather mild the snow & ice throwing freely
on sidewalks appeared to be gone.

Up and fully dressed to-day from
9 a. m. to bed time. Frazell Manning called at
eleven bringing fully and home. Sister Francis' book
to me from Menzies' "Japan": a most interesting book.

George Farnsworth called about 4.30. Dr. Townsend
came at 5. He had been to Milton & had seen them
(in the Haywards' Norway Spruces) a flock of Pine
Grosbeaks which included two rose-red males.

Boston

January 11
1904

Clear, calm, not cold.

My first breath of out-door air since coming here. Out only about fifteen minutes walking around the Square and up Mr. Vernon Street.

Spent most of day reading. C. & Miss Swasey drove over from the Abbotsford at 3.30 staying until four. We had afternoon tea together in my room with the Reverend Mother there & Sister Francis "picking out" Dr. Forswood came only one at 9 a.m. Gilbert appeared about 9.30. City streets piled high with snow. Scarcely any of it has melted yet but will have been carted away.

Boston

January 12
1904

Cloudy, mild, snowing much
of the day but not "malking" at all.

Out walking from 10.30 - 11 a.m.

crossing the Public Garden where I

saw a number of House Sparrows and
tracks of one Gray Squirrel. The Sparrows must
be having a hard time this winter but they
seem numerous enough here.

No other to-day except Dr. Townsend
& Gilbert.

11 [unclear] } [unclear] March 2.
6 [unclear]

Bethel

February 17
1904

Clear & cold with high N.W.
wind. Ther. 0° min, 12° max.

Took a walk with Dr. G., 11-12 a.m.,
along the new trail to Pine Woods, as far as 2nd brook.
Saw a Chickadee & heard Grosbeaks & Redpolls several
times. (20) Redpolls observed in birch over our
heads. I examined them through my glass at
about 25 ft. There was not a single song. One
on in the flock. Saw 4 Grosbeaks in orchard on
our return. Only tracks noted were those of
Rabbits (only a few) & one of Red Squirrel.

Bethel, Me.

February 18,
1904

Brilliantly clear with moderate n.w. wind.
Warmer; Min. 8°; Max. 20°.

Dr. Gehring & I went on snow shoes to Rose Meadows,
11-12.30 a.m. Fine tramp. Sun warm in sheltered springs. Woods
also with Redpolls. Must have seen at least 4 or 5 different flocks
of from 15 to 30 birds each, most of them in birches or Larches.
Heard Grosbeaks once or twice. In dense balsam woods very
near where Partridge remains were found last December we saw a
Hawk to-day. It was flying just above the tops of the trees
& passed directly over Dr. G. I saw it for an instant only
it crossed on spring. Had the season been summer I should
have thought it a Buteo calurus. It was beating on set wings
The chances are, I suppose, that it was a Gos-hawk & if so
a male.

Bethel, Me.

February 19,
1904

Cloudy, calm, milder, with fine dry snow
falling steadily! But not heavily, all day. Ther. 8° - 20°.

Off alone on snow shoes 11-12 a.m. following the
trail around the woods below the house. Spent 15 or 20 minutes
watching a large flock of Redpolls among the birches at edge of
the woods. Counted 82 birds of which only 4 were gray breasted.
After spending about 10 minutes in the tops of these gray birches they
descended to the snow to pick up the fallen seeds moving about
in ~~devious~~ courses working & walking in the deep soft snow. Saw them
afterwards in conches eating the seeds. Saw a ♂ Hairy Woodpecker
in our orchard. It was eating the pulp of a frozen apple that fell
down to the ground. I got within 10 or 15 yds. of it. The red on
head was divided into two overlaid patches which showed
conspicuously.

Bethel, Me.

February 20

1904

Ther.

80 min

20° max

Brilliantly clear with moderate N.W. wind.

Spent about 2 hours in the woods alone this a.m.
Worked with a hatchet, cutting off branches along the trail, until
I became tired & then walked to Rose Meadow returning via the
Glen & Glen Woods trails. It was a beautiful winter morning
with crisp air & warm sunshine. ~~Saw~~ 9 Redpolls (1 a rose-
breasted ♂ / feeding in the top of a tall Birch, was the only
birds noted during this walk but 4 Pine Grosbeaks (one a red
♂) visited the orchard while we were at breakfast
this morning. The late afternoon was calm & mild was a
warm, with spring like light flooding the landscape.

Bethel, Me.

February 21

1904

Brilliantly clear with little or no wind
in a.m., a light S.W. breeze in P.M.

Ther.
0° = min
37° = max.

George V. Bennett. Came through from Boston yesterday
to spend to-day with us. He appeared at the house
(from the hotel where he is staying) at 9.30. We started off
together on snow-shoes about 10 a.m. in company with Dr. G.
& were out fully 2 hours tramping through the Doctor's woods
and the Glen woods. Although the morning was simply perfect
there seemed to be almost no birds about. Indeed we met

only a Chickadee and ③ Redpolls
Mr. Bennett & I went out again at 3.45 P.M.

walking up the wood road about 3/4 of a mile. Saw
a flock of 8 Redpolls & a Hairy Woodpecker. The latter in an
elm on the village street opposite Miss Rice's house.

Bethel, Me

February 22.

1904

Ther.
30° min.
47° max.

Cloudy with snow (about 5 inches) last night and light drizzling rain through forenoon. This is the first considerable thaw of the winter here. The snow melted perceptibly.

Dr. G. and I were out on snow shoes for about an hour in the forenoon rambling about through the orchard, where we heard Pine Grosbeaks and a White-bellied Nuthatch calling in the distance towards the valley, and afterwards visiting the Doctor's back-woods where we found the fresh tracks of a Partridge. I was surprised at noting so few birds for the weather and most favorable for them to be out in the open.

Bethel, Me.

February 23

1904

Ther

23° = 7 a.m.

35° = noon

Early morning clear; Remainder of day cloudy. Wind S. W. Snow soft & soggy.

Out of doors from 11 a.m. to 12.30.

The Doctor & I first excised his woods & then spent about half an hour at the Birch Camp sitting on a bench & comfortable, except without any fire for the air was mild & still.

Birds out in numbers. (4) Chickadees in poplars near the house; (20) Redpolls in larches on the trail; (12) Pine Grosbeaks in tops of tall larches in front of camp & (4) in upper orchard near house; Hairy Woodpecker (♂) on birches, pecking at gray birch stem; Blue jays (at least 2) screaming for a long time in woods near back field. All the Grosbeaks I got a fine sight of were gray birds.

Bethel, Me.

February 24,
1904

Thurs

32° - 81° a.m.

Cloudy with light N.E. wind and occasional flurries of fine snow.

Walked up woods road alone (11 - 11.30 a.m.)

Flock of 9 Redpolls, feeding in low alders hanging back downwind like Titmice as they pulled the seeds from the crisp brown cones. Very tame, letting you get within 15-20. Two rosy breasted birds in the flock.

Out again on snow - about 2 - 3 P.M. with Samuel Bowler of Springfield & his son. Started a Partridge which burst out of snow within 20 ft. also a Gray Rabbit which ran fast & far. As we crossed the field above the house on our return a flock of fully 100 Redpolls flew close past us. A minute later we saw a Shrike perched on a larch tree in the woods where the Redpolls came about 50 yds in from the edge.

Bethel, Me.

February 25

1904

Ther. 8° Min
14° Max

Clear & colder with strong N.W. wind,
about 2 inches of fine, light snow fell last night.

Out along this forenoon (11-12.15) taking the
snow shoe trail through the Green Woods to Rose Meadows
and back by way of the old Green Woods trail. The only
living thing I met with was a lone Chickadee.
Saw only a very few rabbit tracks and a fresh trail
made by a Partridge (which, as I afterwards learned,
the young were now hatched) among alders by the
side of one path through the Doctor's woods.

Bethel, Me.

February 26

1904

Ther. 80 Min
180 Max

Brimingly clear with light N.W. wind.

Out with the Doctor in a.m. (10-12)

Taking the Greenwood Trail to Rose Meadows and keeping on
beyond to a deserted wood chopper's cabin which I had
not visited before. Near it we saw a solitary Golden-crest
the first noted this month & the only bird actually seen this
a.m. Heard Redpolls in the air a few times. Stephens &
Preston report seeing a flock of (12) or more Chickadees on Grove Hill
and one of (6) Grosbeaks in the upper orchard. I saw (2)
Chickadees near the house early this morning

Bethel, Me

February 27

1904 (-10 min
Ther + 22 mer)

Brilliantly clear with scarcely a breath
of wind; one of the finest days of the month.

I spent the forenoon (10-12.30) up the wood road
walking to the cross roads & looking on a wood shed to the
camp beyond and walking all the way back. The thermometer
was only a few degrees above zero when I started but the air
seemed warm & springlike. I wore no gloves & was obliged to
remove my coat on the way home. Saw 5 Chickadees, 2
Blue jays, a 2 hairy Woodpecker & a rather old Partridge tail.
The " " were on the snow in the road picking at bits of
hard nuts. Lots of the Chickadees whistled chuck in
response to my call. Only mammal tracks noted those of Rabbits.
Red Squirrels (2 trails) & Fox (1 trail). Heard Thrushes near one house
9 Grackles (4 red 5 grey birds) eating frozen apples in one orchard 9 a.m.

Bethel, Me.

February 28

1904.

Ther. 40 min
32 max.

Cloudy & snowing most of day but
making only 2 or 3 inches. Wind S. Cold
last night but mild through day.

The Doctor & I were out from 4 to 5:30 P.M.
We first visited the camp & built a fire there. Then
we went over the Greenwood tract to the first cut off
& returned by the Glen Wood tract. Saw a large flock
of Redpolls feeding in a tall gray birch. Counted 62 & think
there were several more. Heard a Golden-crest & caught a
specimen of it flying through dense cedar-broom swamp. The
Doctor skinned two Rabbits (*L. americanus*) from under fallen
tree tops near the trail. Both looked very white yet showed
conspicuously against the snow.
14 Goshawks (9 gray 5 red) visited office this at 8 a.m. and 6 (3 red 3 gray)
at 4 p.m. A. S. Henry W. also there eating office pellets.

Bethel, Me

February 29,
1904

Cloudy and mild with light
N. E. to N. wind

Ther { 28° min
36° max


Spent most of the forenoon working for another
trimming the lower branches of trees along the Balsam Trail
afternoons spending an hour or more at the camp where
the doctor joined us & we had a feast.

In a grove of larches, 20 to 30 ft. tall, at the beginning
of the Balsam Trail I found, to my surprise, 19 Chickadees
assembled in two or three adjoining trees feeding after the manner
of the Redpolls in picking the larch buds to pieces eating a
portion & scattering shreds of brownish fiber on the snow. Where
could so many of these birds have come from? I have seen
no more than 14 or 15 together before.

Bethel, Me

February 29 (No 2)
1904

I also heard Redpolls a number of times & over saw a number of them passing over high in air. Mr. Preston tells me he saw four Pine Grosbeaks early this morning near the house above a house (the Smith's).

What we take to be Weasel tracks were everywhere in the Doctor's woods to-day. They are very peculiar, usually only two tracks one slightly in advance of the other thus:  The animal often moves by leaps of 4 to 5 ft. I saw where it had leaped down into holes in the snow by the side of the stream & come out again by other holes several yards off. I have seen these tracks in other places a mile or more distant.

Bethel, Me.

March 1, Tues. 16° min
1904. 26° max.

Snow-storm beginning in the night and lasting through the forenoon, about 6 inches of exceedingly light, feathery snow falling. Wind light from S. E.

The Doctor & I were out for a couple of hours or so in the forenoon (10.30 - 12.30). We first went to the camp where we had a fire & spent more than an hour. Afterwards we walked a short distance along Balsam Trail. The woods, very beautiful, all the evergreen trees heavily snow-laden. Very few birds about. Saw 2 Chickadees in our place & 3 in another. Heard Redpolls over. (4) Goshawks seen on the island by Mr. Megraw early this morning.

Bethel, Me.

March 2,

1904.

A. M. cloudy, calm, mild.
P. M. Clear, calm, warm.

16° min
Ther. 42° max

Off on snow-shoes, 10-11.30 a. m., following
the Balsam Trail to Rose Meadow and returning via the
Greenwood Trail. The woods were exceedingly beautiful for but
little of the snow which fell yesterday had shaken from the
trees but it began to come down in showers, under the
influence of the sun & a light breeze, as I was on
my way back. I actually did not see nor hear a
bird of any kind or any other living thing during this
trip although I frequently stopped to listen & look about.
Dr. Gehring counted (17) Grackles in the orchard at seven
o'clock this evening and I saw a ♂ Hairy Woodpecker, Ann (our)
(just after luncheon) eating pulp of a frozen apple gradually. Later

in the afternoon (about 4 o'clock) the
Grosbeaks appeared near the house. I saw
them first in some cedars where they spent
about fifteen minutes eating the cedar seeds.
After this they flew to the orchard & collected
the frozen apples. They seem to winter there
despite of them for they rarely remain in
the orchard over five or eight minutes.
On this occasion I counted 6 fine old red
wings and 11 gray birds. I think there were
one or two more that I did not get.

Bethel, Me.

March 3,
1904

Cloudy with light but steady rain cooling
the trees with ice. A heavy shower accompanied by
thunder & lightning at 2 P.M. Wind S.W. Ther 38° max.

The Doctor & I went to "The Shack" at
11 a.m. & built a fire there, remaining until 12.20.
Preston, who joined us about noon, reported counting (21)
Pine Grosbeaks in the orchard as he passed through it
on his way down. I afterwards saw 5 or 6 (one a red ♂)
in the woods near the camp. I also saw in the tall
larches directly in front of "The Shack" a ♂ Red-bellied
Nuthatch (the first noted here this year) & a lone Chickadee.
On the way back heard the flight call of a Redpoll.

Bethel, Me.

March 4

Brilliantly clear & bitterly cold with
violent N. W. wind.

1904.

0° 7am
8° max
2° 9 P.M.

Off alone in forenoon (11-12) going the
usual road over the Balsam & Elm wood trails. They
were so hard that I did not put on my snow shoes.
Just before starting I saw a single Grosbeak (ad. ♂) on
the ground but during my tramp I did not meet
with any living eastern bird on ground.

Just before sunset I walked up the Wood Road
for about half a mile. The only bird noted on this
occasion was a solitary Redpoll flying over high up. I
suspect that most of the Redpolls have left this region
within the past week.

Bethel, Maine.

March 5

1904. -12° min
ther + 20° max.

Brilliantly clear; dead calm up
to 10 a.m.; light W. wind afterwards.

Had a most delightful & interesting walk along the
Grove Hill road this forenoon (9-11.30) going as far
as the entrance - a distance of about 1½ miles & back.
Although the thermometer stood at only 20 when I
started and 14° when I got back I did not feel
the cold at any time when in several sheltered places
the sun was almost unobscuredly warm. It was also
interestingly dropping on the dusted snow and I was
glad to put on some smoked glasses which I bought
on my way through the village.

Bethel, Maine

March 5 (no 2)
1904

Saw an unusual number & variety of birds: - 8 Pine Grosbeaks (4 of them red ♂♂) in our orchard; 4 Chickadees and a White-bellied Nuthatch in the maples on our avenue; probably the same Nuthatch and at least a dozen English Sparrows in the elms about the common; a flock of 137 Redpolls, a Blue Jay & a solitary gray Pine Grosbeak (feeding a frozen offspring) on the hillside just beyond the well; a ♂ Downy Woodpecker common, at the trunk of a gray Birch by the roadside where it descends to the entrance beyond Stone Hill; on this same stretch of roadside the flock of a Partridge in the snow - in all 8 species. I counted the Redpolls rather accurately as they flew from one perch into another. About 10 to 15 were very tame. When they flew several would sing (sweet).

Bethel, Maine

March 6

1904. Ther. 80 Min.
32 Max.

Sunny but hazy. Light, chilly S. to S.W. wind.

Up the Wood Road with the Doctor in a. m. (10-12.30)
taking the west branch & following it half a mile or more to
the crest of a ridge covered with brush, small maple, yellow &
concess birches, tall, straight standing trees attractively blended. There
was a small camp in their midst & several clippings everywhere.
Soon after leaving the fork of the roads we heard a Woodpecker
tapping & almost immediately saw the bird, a fine ♂ Black-bellied
three-toe. It was working at the trunk of a semi-prostrate &
dying balsam. This was actually the only bird seen or heard
during this tramp. We came back by way of the Glen Woods
where we saw the trail of a Porcupine made during the last snow.
(over)

In the late afternoon the Doctor & I went
to the Shack & built a fire there. There was
a big flock of Redpolls feeding in the bushes at
the entrance to the woods. I counted 98 birds.
We found where an hawk had been killed and eaten
in the snow. The tracks, probably of a Skua, its
feathers were scattered about on the snow which was
spotted with blood. We picked up the upper mandible &
a part of the skull.

Two flocks of Pine Grosbeaks visited the
orchard this morning. One containing 8 red & 11 gray
birds came while we were at breakfast. The other with
4 red & 4 gray appeared at 9 a.m. & again about 11.
Still others were seen or heard flying about the place later in
the day.

Bethel, Maine.

March 7, ^{Thurs.} ^{23° min}
1904. ^{38° max}

Cloudy with light N. to N.W. wind.
Snowing a little in a.m. Mild but chilly.
Snowed heavily in late P.M. & rained hard all following night.
(14) Pine Grosbeaks visited the orchard at breakfast
time. I did not examine them closely but saw several
red notes. A Hairy Woodpecker was there at the same time
eating apple pulp. Two Chickadees appeared in the trees
over the orchard a little later & 4 Redpolls also flew low.

At 10 a.m. the Doctor & I started for a walk around
his back woods. We found there a large flock of Redpolls (I
counted 80) feeding in bushes and we heard 2 Blue jays
screaming. The Doctor returned to the house at 11 a.m. I
kept on following Balsam Trail. In the heart of the Balsam
woods through which it leads I heard a Woodpecker tapping.
Following up the descent I found a ♀ Picoides arvensis
walking at the mouth of a balsam. Occasionally (one) the

would pass for a new one & utter the klac which
sounds so much like an axe stroke. At length she
flew, giving the prolonged calling cry on wing, and
alighting on the central branch of a tall pine when,
perched 40 feet above the ground, she called kif-kif
kif etc. rapidly & continuously for some time. She
was evidently greatly excited & thought by my
presence (I was standing through the deep snow
within the end of snow shed) the kif was apparently
merely a modification of the klac note. Finally the
bird plunged down into the conifer woods again.
I thought she alighted once by but could not
find her again. Saw 3 Chickadees on
this same tree

Bethel, Maine.

March 8.

1904. Ther. 56° max.
at 2 P.M.

Cloudy the sun shining dimly at
intervals in a.m. Very warm especially in P.M.
Calm most of day but light N.W. wind in "

When the Doctor & I started out at 10 a.m. a Chickadee
was whistling loudly & continuously in the trees over the arbor.
A number of Pine Grosbeaks were flying about the orchard
& among John Cashes on the lawn. I counted 22 in
all. There were at least 5 or 6 Red Wakes.

In the birch woods below the orchard we found a flock
of 5 Chickadees (2 of which were whistling klac-klac incessantly)
and about a dozen Grosbeaks 3 or 4 of which were Red Wakes.
At times several of the Grosbeaks were singing out over, but
always lolla voo. As nearly as I could make out their songs

were closely similar to those of the Purple Finch.
Some of the low notes which reached my ear were
exceedingly sweet. I saw the birds eat pine & maple
birds freely to-day. They kept up a low, conversational
chatter, very nervous & hearing but distinct from the
song although now or less mingled with it.

In P.M. I went over the Balsam & Glen Wood
trails & worked on them for an hour or more
during the branches of the trees. Although
I was out 2 hours in all I did not see nor
hear a single living thing. Where do the birds
spend their afternoons at this season?
The snow fell a good deal to-day.

Bethel, Maine.

March 9,
1904

Ther. { 30° 7 a.m.
26° 2 P.M.
12° 9 " "

Clear with high N.W. wind and
steadily falling temperature; a typical March
day of the harsher type.

Walked to post office after breakfast. Saw a
fresh Skunk trail evidently made last night following
a cross trail & leading into a Gull yard in the very
heart of the valley. On returning went to the shore with
the Doctor & had a fair time. Heard & saw a Hairy W.
flying over the camp. Heard Grosbeaks also. Pardon saw
flock of 12 on the outbound.

In P.M. went over Balsam & Glenwood trails without
seeing a living thing. Fresh Pileated woodpecker work made since
yesterday. Dr. Gehring saw a down fly past the barn at 4 P.M.

Bethel, Maine - Portland, Me. March 10,

1904. Ther. 6° max
 20° max

Brilliantly clear with violent
N. W. wind.

To Portland by 8.45 a. m. train. Sat & talked
with Mrs. Tolbot of Newtowith all the way down. She
had just left her husband in Dr. G's care & was returning.
Saw 2 Crows flying over the beach between Bethel
& Locke's Mills. There were upwards of 40 collected in
one flock near Bennett Junction and 80 or more
near Danville Junction. There was little snow here
& some fields were wholly bare.

Dined alone at Lafayette Hotel. Had hair cut after
dinner. ~~to~~ To Union Station 5 P. M. to meet C. &
Mary Greenough who arrived from Boston to spend night.

Portland - Bethel, Me

March 11,

1904

Morning cloudy & chilly;
afternoon sunny. Calm & warm.

Ther. 34° max
16° - 9° min

C. & I started out just after breakfast
and walked about town city for an hour or more
buying some flannels etc. Mary's uncle's wife was walking
calls. We dined at Union Station where C. & Mary
stayed for Boston at 12.45. I took 1.30 train
back to Bethel.

Called at W. D. Hinds, taxidermist store. Bought
Black Gallinule in flesh & left it to be mounted.
Did not see Hinds himself. He was on his way back
from Florida. His chief assistant told me

Several interesting things (1) That they received
a year ago this past winter 5 or 6 Richardson's Ovals
in the first all of them from Maine & most of
them from the immediate neighborhood of Portland.

(2) That the Canada Jay is still common
in Maine, especially in Androscoggin Co. They
had upwards of 20 fresh skins offered the
past winter. I saw three Maine skins
one of a Jay taken at Widdell Dam only
about 2 1/2 weeks ago. (3) I was shown
a pair of Greenland Eiders taken the past
winter near Grand Manan.

Bethel, Maine.

March 12,

Clear with fresh N.W. wind. a bright ¹⁹⁰⁴ day. ^{12° min} ^{Ther. 28° max.}
rather chilly day.

Walked along the Green Hill road in a.m.
(9-11.30) going as far as the intersection by the brook.
Saw 8 Chickadees and 6 Redpolls in a bush on E. slope
of Green Hill & a single Chickadee feather on. Returning
heard a Downy droning near the Bethel House & finally
found the bird, a ♂, in an apple tree.

In P.M. (2-3.30) followed the Glen Wood trail
out to Rose Meadows returning along the Balsam Trail.
In an opening just beyond the second brook found 5 Chickadees
and 5 Redpolls feeding together in a tall bush eating the buds.
A Parus hudsonicus was with or very near them at first but

it soon left them and rounded off out
of sight and hearing into some dense woods
near woods calling chit, che-chit or chit, che-dee,
dee at short intervals. As it flew across an
opening I noticed that it looked much shorter
& thicker set than a common Chickadee. The
latter has a longer tail, I believe.

Bethel, Maine.

March 13

Clear with harsh N.W. wind.

1904. Ther. ^{14° Min}
28° Max

Off for 3 hours (9.30-12.30) in a.m. with Dr. Gehring.
We started up through the fields, crossed to the Wood Road,
took a western fork & followed this to the
Wood Chaffin's camp and beyond this proceeded (on
Snow Mass) through a wood road constantly ascending, to
the old farm on Peter Green Hill. Here we had a superb view
but the cold wind soon drove us back to the shelter of the woods.
We returned via the Glen Woods & Balsam Tracts.
The snow-melting is now fair everywhere & in the fields one
can walk without Snow Mass on the snow in woods

leaves.

During our tramp this morning we saw ③ Chickadees in the woods on the lower stretch of the Wood Road, ③ more & a Downy Woodpecker in the mixed Birch, maple & beech woods near the wood chopper's cabin. There were ② Chickadees & ④ Grosbeaks (2 red & 2 gray) about the house where we started this morning. On the whole it was evidently not a favorable day for birds owing chiefly, no doubt, to the heavy wind.

Bethel, Maine.

March 14,
1904.

Ther. 16° Min-
40° Max.

Brilliantly clear with light W. wind. Clouds gathering in late P.M.

Off alone for practically the entire forenoon (8.30-12) crossed the fields to the Mill, followed the Grove Hill road a short distance & then struck in on the right taking a lane which led ^{first} through a succession of pastures growing up to caryacans, next through an extensive & well-grown forest of hardwoods, pines, balsams & spruces, and finally to the open country near the steam work at West Bethel. Where I returned over the Fingert Road. It was a truly

delightful and exhilarating walk for the
country traversed was new to me and most
interesting & attractive while the morning was
simply glorious. The frost is now strong
enough to bear my weight everywhere in
the fields and springs but I used
snow shoes after entering the woods.

In the late afternoon the doctor
and I went to the Birch and had
a fire at the stove.

Skunk trails were numerous everywhere
in the Great Hill region this morning as well
as on the occasion of my last visit (12th / 1904)

Beulah, Maine.

March 14, (Wed)
1904

I noted the following birds
this morning: 2 Chickadees and 4 Grosbeaks (2 red, 2 grey)
near the house; 2 Chickadees & a White Breasted Nuthatch
in some scattered trees near the house; 4 Grosbeaks
(1 red 3 grey) and a ♂ Hairy Woodpecker in an
apple orchard at the cross roads just beyond the well;
a flock of 5 Chickadees accompanied by a Canada Nuthatch
& another of 4 " " " Hudson Bay Tit,
and a flock of about 80 Redpolls, in the Great Hill woods.
Also heard 2 or more Cross Country Sparrows - a Plover
saw - and a second Nuthatch whinny. On my way

Ball saw a pair of Canada Nuthatches close
to a house on the Fagot Road in an old
of wood - decayed sugar maple when they were
inspecting holes in a dead branch delving in
& out and excavating a few chips. The
Nuthatch down with the 5 Chickadees was gathering
getting hunkle buds from the cones &
hiding or storing them behind scales of lichen
bark - a singular performance for this season.
The Parus hudsonicus was tame & comparatively
silent. It, with the conformers, was eating
larch buds as were also the Redpolls which
were seen at the same time & place.

Bethel, Maine.

March 15

1904.

This 20 min
38 max

Cloudy, calm, mild; snowing at
intervals about 1 inch falling.

Spent most of forenoon out of doors searching about
the Doreau fields on Snow. Then looking for pussy willows
of which I secured a long bundle to send to C.
Chickadees were flitting about near the house calling
& giving the Phoebe note. A Nuthatch in an elm near
Miss Lewis was calling wee-wee-wee. A big flock of Redpolls
flew across the fields low down. Crows cawed in the
distance. Pine Grosbeaks were about the place with a few
afternoon. There seemed to be several different

flocks. I counted 22 birds in one, 20 in another, 15 in a third, 9 in a fourth. Of the 20 first birds were red males. The other flocks I did not examine carefully with respect to proportion of red & gray birds. These Grosbeaks were feeding chiefly on larch buds to-day but they also visited the orchard at frequent intervals to take the fruit from apples. The flock of 22 were in tall sugar the buds of which they were evidently eating.

Bethel, Maine.

March 16,

1904

Partly cloudy. Raging N. W. wind.
A wild March day, with deliciously
frost, dry air, however.

Thu.	24°	7 a.m.
	22°	noon
	18°	3 P.M.
	18°	9 . .

Went to the village after breakfast,
called at the bank & post office and at Cylon Row's
where I bought six pairs of home knit socks.
Returning found a good-sized flock of Grosbeaks in
the larches just to westward of house. Counted 16 gray
and 6 red birds. Several of the males were singing
& at times rather freely I thought. Their songs were
very nearly like those of the Purple Finch but less
rapid & celesse. All this singing was in subdued tones

and especially Parrots & Trucks at times.

I spent some time on home walking &

listening to lower birds standing under

of the tree within a few yards of them.

They were busily engaged eating the bits of

the loaves which they did not hysterically

following each bird out & apparently calling

every bird. Besides the long tree birds kept

up a constant low & deliciously repeated, sound

not unlike the trilling of ice. They were

so beautiful & attractive that I did not

leave the spot until they all flew away.

The Doctor & I went to the Shore in
late P.M. & had a fine time.

Bethel, Maine.

March 17,

1904.

10° leg. min

36° max

20° 8 P.M.

Brilliantly clear with light N.W. wind.
Ain deliciously day & agreeably warm in late P.M.

Visited the Green Hill country again this
forenoon (8.30 - 11.30). Found a pair of Red-bellied
Nuthatches in the apple orchard at the entrance to the Cove
Nothing was noted until I had passed through the
big woods & came out on the north side where
in the same large larches where I saw the birds on
the 14 I found 9 Common Chickadees, 1 Hudsonian
Chickadee and about 40 Redpolls feeding busily.
On the way back found a Crow and some two
grackles the latter were on the river. On the

which I saw fewer birds than I had
expected considering the perfection of the
weather.

In the afternoon the Doctor & I went
to the camp & made the circuit of the
bird woods. In some bushes found a flock
of 5 Chickadees feeding busily. Heard Grosbeaks
& saw two or three warbling ones.

In the Grand Hill woods found several
fresh trails of a Porcupine and another squirrel
trail which I did not recognize. Saw only one
trail of a Red Squirrel. They seem to be
very scarce here this season.

Bethel, Maine.

March 18,
1904.

Ther. ^{14° min.}
32° max.

Cloudy snowing fitfully in a.m.,
thickly in P.M., about 4 inches falling by
nightfall. Wind S. at first, afterwards N. & E.

Off alone all the forenoon (8.30-12). Went
up the Wood Road to Goodwin's Camp where I
remained about an hour or more through the
beautiful hard-wood growth admiring & comparing the
different trees. Also spent some time in the wood chipping
shanty talking with its owner. Returned via the Glen
where I gathered a bag-full of balsam tips for hollers.
During the entire forenoon I noted only a single

bird, a Redpoll which, as I was crossing
the open fields south of the house on my
way in the evening, came directly over and
flying in much the same manner that a
male Goldfinch does in summer but describing
even deeper and more abrupt curves. As
it made each downward & upward curve
it uttered the cha-cha flight call
over.

Spent the afternoon in the house
reading. I have a book every
afternoon at four o'clock.

Bethel, Maine

March 19
1904

Ther { 27° min
42° max

A. M. Clear with strong N. W. wind
P. M. cloudy " light " " "

Spent most of forenoon (9-11.30) on the
Glen Wood and Balsam Trails rambling over some very
thick thicket often to listen for birds or to pick
balsam "tips". Crows were numerous for the first time.
I counted 18 passing on a thicket flight over
the doctor's coffee field & after words some on hand either
the house birds or others. Heard a Piridae in
dense P. arctica thicket in the dense balsam woods
near the Glen but could not find it. Heard Redpolls

apparently a large flock of them - flying
over the Doctor's woods. Judging by their
tracks Rabbits must have been out in
exceptional numbers here, right. Saw only
one trail of a Red Squirrel. There are
an very few this season. I have not
found one for over a month &
I see very few of their tracks.

The Doctor & I went to the Beeches
together in P.M. & found one house Wren.
Found a Chickadee & a Goldfinch.

Bethel, Maine. (Sunday) March 20

1904 Ther. { 30 min
42 max

Partly cloudy with strong
N.W. wind and frequent snow squalls.

Off with the Doctor in forenoon (9-11.30).
We went to Grove Hill and I took him ^{through} ~~except a few sparrows~~
the wood road. We saw no birds, ^{until reaching}
the northern end of the road where, among the
old cedars, we found a flock of 14 Chickadees
feeding on larch buds. There was a ♂ Canada Warbler
wintered with them. We also heard a Crow cawing.

We went to the Beeches in P.M. during which
② Redpolls, a Starling (perched on a tall cedar) & a winter
of Crows. The Tree Sparrow noted this morning

was in down bushes over the brook
in "Skewell Hollow" very near the hill.

Bethel, Maine.

March 21

1904

Ther. (24° min)
36° max

Breathably clear with
light N. W. wind.

Spent most of forenoon up the Wood Road
going up about a mile and a half. Picked a bag
full of balsam tips & had a long talk with the
wood choppers who were cutting fresh wood (fir).
Saw three small companies of chickadees (2 ♀ & 4 ♂)
two flocks of Redpolls (2 ♂ & 2 ♀ birds) & several Crows.

In later afternoon went with the Doctor
to his Birch woods where on some 2 young Goshawks
& heard what I am very sure was a Plover Cuckoo.
A red & a gray Goshawk were eating frozen oysters.

in the orchard this morning.

Bethel, Maine.

March 22
1904. The { 26° Min
36° Max.

Cloudy with fine steady rain at intervals in a.m. & heavy downpour in late P.M. & evening.

Off alone in forenoon (10-12) going the rounds of the Balsam and Glen Wood Farms. Saw a flock of 7 Grosbeaks (only one red billed) eating white pine buds, a ♂ Downy, a flock of about 20 Redpolls, & Hudsonian Chickadee eating larch buds in company with 6 common Chickadees. Crows were almost constantly in sight or hovering flying to & fro alighting on tall trees in the woods & coming lazily. I cannot imagine what

they can get to eat here for the
ground is very close down - covered to the
depth of 2 feet or more & there are no
berries. They do not set up, if they were
hungry but they have worked the perimeter
of our house down leaving tracks in the
ground about 1/2". There are still plenty
of frozen apples on the trees but I do
not think the crows have touched them.
In late P.M. the doctor & I went
to the street & had a few hours.
A single gray Grouse about the
fall down on the ground this P.M.

Bethel, Maine.

March 23,

1904

Ther. 33° min.
48° max.

A.M. cloudy and calm. P.M.
brilliantly clear with light N.W. wind.
Heavy rain all last night.

The doctor accompanied me on my walk
this forenoon (8.30 - 10.30) We went to the Glen Woods.
Saw a flock of Redpolls, some Chickadees & a male
Downy Woodpecker. Heard a Blue Jay scolding.
No Grouse noted to-day.
In P.M. the doctor & I walked around his
beehives seeing (4) Chickadees & a number of crows.

Bethel, Maine.

March 24,

1904

Ther. { 33° min
50° max

Brilliantly clear with fresh N. W. wind.

The Doctor & I started out at 8.45 a.m. and spent the next hour plodding slowly through the woods. Saw there a Brown Creeper, (2) Chickadees, (3) Redpolls (flying) and several Crows. Heard a Canada Warbler. After the Doctor left us (10 a.m.) I kept on alone tramping the Balsam & Glenwood Trails but seeing no more birds save Crows & 2 Chickadees. Judge Hummel's father, who accompanied me, shot a Rabbit. It passed me within ten or four yards

and was in light for fully 100 yards
running steadily but not apparently fast, with
a peculiar limping gait. It looked dirty
white and showed brown on the back side
of the hind legs.

Spots of bare ground are coming out in
many places in the woods but there
are no cypress and oak as yet.

The Doctor & I went through his
bird woods in late P.M. being
walking up a Chickadee & a few Crows.

Bethel, Maine.

March 25,
1904

Cloudy with strong S.W. wind
and occasional light showers. Ther. { 36° min.
50° max

The Doctor & I went to the Camp after
breakfast & spent an hour there. Saw a solitary
Red-wing Blackbird which flew over S.W. Cuckoo.
I went down town at 10 a.m. to make some
purchases. On the way back saw 6 Robins which started
from an elm near the Commons & flew off S.W.
On reaching the house heard a Robin calling &
saw 3 birds in a bush on road to Paradise.
In P.M. the Doctor & I went again to the

Camp. Found a Song Sparrow was it
hopping about on a spot of bare ground a
few yards square under a cluster of firs.

(35) Redpoll came into the birches soon
& fed there awhile. I saw another flock
of (13) near Pine Point. There was a
solitary gray Goshawk eating apples in
the orchard all the afternoon. The Doctor
saw (2) Gray ones there this morning.

It was a typical day for early Spring
birds to appear & I do not doubt that
many breeds were about camp.

Bethel - Boston.

March 26,

1904

Cloudy with strong, warm S wind

Bethel
Bar. 54° 6 am
Boston
70° 2 P.M.

Left Bethel by 9 a. m. train
and reached Boston 4.05 P. M. The
interval at Bethel was some more than one-half
hour covered, & I could hear Song Sparrows singing
in two directions from the station. At the S. & B.
of South Paris the greater part of the country was
bare & I began to see Bluebirds from the car
windows. There was practically no snow south
of Portland save in the woods. During the

rest of the journey I saw numerous numbers
of Crows and Sparrows (probably Song & Tree Sparrows
chiefly), very many Robins, Bluebirds &
Red-winged Blackbirds and 3 Wood Hawks.
Found Frosch on the train at Portland &
talked with him on the way to Boston.
His health is failing, though assuming possibility
of his completing going up his business.

On reaching Boston I went direct to the
Abbottford where I found C. & S. R. S. &
then I went to the way until Tuesday. Dr. Blodde
examined my ear at 6 P.M. He says I have
removed 75% of hearing but that there is congestion
still.

Boston.

March 27,
1904

Ther. 32 Min

Cloudy and chilly with
light N. E. wind.

To early dinner at Inman Church with C.
at 9.30 a.m. Heard beautiful voice at
beginning of second dinner & then went back to
the Abbottford. Pardon came at 11 and stayed
to lunch. At 2 P.M. C. & I walked to the
Cummings & some way & Harry. Returning found
Frank Manning. Miss Fanny Forbes called a

Letter later to George & Burnett at

4 P. M. staying over an hour.

C. & I spent the evening together
reading & talking.

Continued.

March 30,

1904

Clear with light S. to S. E. wind.
The ground was frozen hard at dawn but the middle
of the day was deliciously warm.

Spent forenoon on farm working about listening
to the music of the birds. Fully 60 Fox Sparrows with
a number of Junco & a few Fox Sparrows feeding on
the middle bed in front of barn. Blackbirds very numerous.

To Boer's Hill in P. M. Hanson & Gilbert kept
out the cabin. Every thing safe. Men have damaged
the cabin time & thanks greatly. Many of the Barkers
& hundreds of young fish from one Barked & missed by
them. As I was dressing this evening (6 A. M.) I

low what I took at first to be an immense
yellow cat sitting on its haunches in the middle
of the field in front of the house. It proved
to be a large & very pale colored Fox which
promptly leaped off & jumped over the wall
into the road.

The fields are everywhere gone, the roads
filled & deep but the house that was deep
in the pine woods. It is 2 ft. deep in
many places on the back side of
Bull's Hill.

Concord.

March 31,

1904.

Cloudy with chill E. wind.
Snowing fast at evening. The ground from hard last night.

Spent the day on the farm working about
about in the woods & fields selecting & working
pieces for planting various trees. Fully two thirds
of the 7 of Sparrows here yesterday were gone to-day
but those remaining sang gloriously through
the forenoon.

Concord.

April 1,
1904

Heavy north-east rain storm lasting all day
and carrying off the snow (about 2 in / that fell last night)

Spent day with Howard & Hanson working
most of the time in the wood shed. Hanson
doing wood, Howard working bird house, I
branding tools etc.

About 25 Fox Sparrows about the bird traps
singing gloriously all day long in the morning
room. Saw other birds about. Saw a '8
Warbler. Heard them close to the barn.

Covered.

April 2
1904

Clear; early evening calm & rather warm.
A violent & rather chilly W. wind blowing
through the day.

A grand bird chorus of Robins, Fox Sparrows,
Song Sparrows, Bluebirds, Phoebe, Flicker etc.
from dawn to 8 A.M. When the wind rose it
silenced the birds. I spent day in the orchard
with the men picking apples. Walked to Spring
at evening. On way back heard a Woodcock whistling
over the cow pasture. A little later found two (I
think them) Woodcock perching on the Grey pasture.
One of them seen & sang a number of times.

Concord

April 3
1904.

Clear with exceedingly chilly & very strong
N. W. wind.
To Ball's Hill in A. M. rambling about the
woods there for several hours. Went over nearly
the same ground into Kirkland (the meadow)
in P. M. Saw numbers of 4' of Sparrows but
few other birds.
First Wood Pewee (only one) calling early this
afternoon in the pool below the orchard. No
Hylas as yet.

Concord.

April 4;

1904.

Clear with light N. W. to W. wind. Warm at noon and afternoon but very cold last night forming ice fully an inch in thickness on our herb tub.

Spent day on the farm working with the men. We cleared up a lot of debris and began a long bed for planting in the lane. Walked to Redwin place at evening. A dove coming in woods below the farm orbited & two woodcock peeping & one of them singing in the berry pasture. Jay Sparrows still very numerous about the place. A Partridge denning in the wood at foot of run in A. B.

Concord.

April 5,
1904.

Went traps in front of
creek this forenoon. First *Hesperomys* (only one!)
this season.

Brilliantly clear with light N.W. to W. wind. Ice as thick as window glass found over night but by noon it was unaccountably warm (probably about 70°)

Spent day working with the ~~men~~. We finished the planting beds along the lawn, graded the garden in front of the barn, and dug a drain of ditch through the horse orchard. I also had a long ramble in the woods after dinner. At evening I went to the Busy Postman. Two woodcock hopped & sang of them singing. I watched him through one entire flight. Robins arrived in flocks to-day & were singing everywhere at evening. First Purple Finch seen singing in front of house in forenoon & at evening.

Concord

April 5
1904

(Standard tally
May 6
502
11/132)

Clear & warm with light S. E. to S. W. winds.
 Arrivals Wilson's Thrush 1 Ball's Hill, 8 a.m.
 Rose-breasted Grosbeak 1/2 " " " "
 Redstart 1/2 " " " "
 Brown Thrasher 1/2 " " " "

Mr. Bond & I walked to farm in a.m.
 Gilbert went up with our traps later. Mr. Bond
 left us at noon. I spent part of P. M. hunting birds.
 About 5 P. M. shot a beautiful albino White-thr. Sparrow on
 the wall in front of the farm house. Killed my first
 one. The bird was with another of normal plumage.

Concord

April 6,
1904

A. M. clear calm uncomfortably warm;
P. M. cloudy with chill E. wind.

Spent day trans planting trees, walking
chiefly in the lane and on the Pitkin place.
7 or 8 Sparrows still abundant & singing vigorously.
First Green Finch (Pitkin place)

Parula arrived late in P. M. We
went to the Mary Poston car wing.
A woodcock probed a few times & then flew

off without hanging
Two or three Hylas this morning

Concord

April 7.
1904.

Typical April weather, showing
in forenoon, clear and warm in P.M. - a great bright
day.

In A.M. put wood poles about trees & plants
near house. In P.M. Purdie & I with Hanson &
Pot went to Everett Mason's Goose pasture
where in day a large number of beautiful
Cattle and calves. Fine birds in the woods. Heard
a Honey Woodpecker then. about 40 Fox Sparrows
about the house singing gloriously all day.
Geese were heard passing over last evening about 7.30
as counted by Pot, here by Hanson on Concord by day.

Concord

April 8,

1904

Forenoon clear and warm with light S.E. wind.
Afternoon cloudy with chill N.E. wind.

Spent most of day planting ten cedars
collected yesterday afternoon taking them on the
hillside below the orchard and putting a few about
the house. The only animal noted was a Field Sparrow
singing in the berry pasture. About 20 Fox Sparrows
on the farm heard of some singing most of the forenoon
at intervals. A Dove coming in the tall oaks south of
the house. Pardon is still with me. He spent much
of the day in the woods.

A full chorus of Nylons this evening for the first time
heard of eggs crawling in forenoon.

Concord.

April 9,
1904.

Cloudy with N. E. wind and misty rain.
Heavy rain after dark to night.

Boston.

April 10,
1904.

Sunny most of day but with several light
April showers. Very warm.

Boston - Concord

April 11

1904

Chiefly cloudy but with a few brief intervals
of sunshine and occasional light showers. Heavy
rain last night. Cool.

Concord

April 12

1904.

Heavy rain in forenoon while Furbush & I
spent in the wood shed working on bird boxes,
frames for cucumbers etc.

Afternoon sunny with occasional brief showers.
Went to North Hill with Horner, Horner & Pat.

Dry sun large Cuckoo & a number of small
black sparrows at Penn Pond & bought them to Furbush.

Furbush & I walked to Ricketts place at evening.

Saw a pair of Partridge in the ordinary poplar
just behind the house. The cock flew at once but
the hen allowed us to walk past with the pack of the gun.

Covered.

April 13,
1904.

Clear with strong cool N.W. wind. The
surface of ground slightly frozen this morning.

Spent day on farm working with the three
men. We planted all the Carrots & Apples dug
yesterday at the foot of the hill below the
road. Also set out nine huckleberries (Gage's last
year) about 2 ft. high / on the hillside near the
back path.

The Bush Island & Prescotts pairs on wing.
The party on Island the birds but a few. Heard
One Crow from 5:30 to 6:30 in low flying big flocks.
The huckleberries have nearly ceased to grow.

Concord.

April 14,

1904

Partly cloudy with several furious snow squalls
whitening the ground. Cold with heavy N. W. wind.
Surface of ground frozen this morning.

Spent day on farm. All three men went
to Brent's Messers back pasture & ~~two~~ of them
removed them all day digging barberry bushes
of which Hester brought back four wagon loads.
We nearly "killed" them in ~~but~~ they will be planted
in ~~rows~~.

At evening removed through the Barberry woods.
I went with Karl Selman to Birch Id. woods in
A. M. to cut chestnuts for a year. Birds
silent & few seen. Even the Robins did not sing.

Concord.

April 15,
1904.

Brimingly clear in a.m. with strong cold N.W. wind. Clouds gathering in P.M. & light rain at evening with N.E. wind.

Spent entire day at Ritchie place planting cedars and Barbary Cedars about the apple cellar.

To Birch Field at evening. Saw a Hermit there. Returning heard a Screech Owl walking the rolling coal in the orchard. Saw him fly twice. Gilbert came to Boston & George leaving here in the late P.M.

Concord.

April 16,

1904.

At day break the ground was covered an inch deep with snow and all the trees were down with snow foliage. It continued to snow heavily all the forenoon "melting" at least 4 inches. In the afternoon the sun came out & melted the snow away in a few places. At evening snow and ground were stiffened by frost.

Spent most of day under cover. Painted all my personal tools red in P. M. At evening took a walk with "Looney". Saw a Great Horned Owl & 4 Herring Gulls in Birch Field. The Owl was skinned later. The only birds heard singing to-day were a Song Sparrow & a Nuthatch.

Concord.

April 17,
1904.

Bellauntly clear with fresh N. W. wind.
Ground frozen hard at day break. Mid-day pleasantly
warm with the snow washing fast. It was windy
and gone by night.

Karl Nelson brought down a wonderful island
table at 9 a.m. It had one 3000 pairs of wood of
of different kinds. He stayed until 11 when I
walked up the road & called on Brett Mason.
To Ball's Hill in P.M. Lots of birds there. (4)
Yellow Palm Warblers, a Pine Warbler, a Ruby crown Kinglet
(chattering), (5) 4 of Sparrows etc. Two of Purple Martins
flying over the river near Bush Gate. Got back at sunset

Concord - Boston.

April 18

1904

A. M. clear. Clouds gathering in P. M. Warm
Show forecast as from transiting trees.
Leave 4.24 P. M. Train to Cambridge, low Pass
at Woburn, arrive in town & Hunt coming with
C. at the abbotsford and night at the
Athletic Club.

Boston - Cambridge

April 19

1904

A. M. clear & warm. P. M. cloudy with
chill E. wind. Snowing heavily after dark.

C. & Miss Allen started for Washington on 9 A. M.
I went to station to see them off. E. R. S. was there
& we came out to Cambridge together afterwards.
I spent day in garden with Peter & his men
weeding all the plants from the central beds which
are to be ground over. There were on the large
plots I saw all the family of evening primrose.

Cambridge - Concord.

April 20

1904

Cloudy most of day with cold west to north-west wind. At day break the trees were thick with snow foggy & the ground snow covered to a depth of two inches. This snow disappeared during the day but snow fell again after nightfall this evening.

Spent a.m. working in garden with Patsy & 4 m. -
Dutton Bangs called. To Boston at noon.
Dined at Athletic Club. To Dr. Bonds at 2 P.M.
To Muelle at 3 P.M. buying a lot of garden
tools there. To Concord via W. Bedford 4.49 train
A man tried to work off with my passport as the
train stopped at Weymouth. Spent night at the Coburn

Concord (Boll's Hill)

April 21,

1904.

Bullomety close with high, cold N. wind.
Grand white with frost on morning. Some of it
remained until after fall.

Spent day with Hanson & Pat transplanting
bushes in Pine Park. At evening walked to Davis's Hill.
at 7 a.m. a Cardinal began singing near the
cabin. As soon as I was dressed I started out & found
him perched on the very top of a tall white maple
just beyond the house shed. Pat who was with me,
says he heard him at the farm yesterday. He had a very
loud clear voice & sang 2 songs. Lots of birds about the day
Hairy Woodpecker (2) & Swamp Sparrows (1) arrived. Two Robins
nesting in Pine Ridge this morning.

Concord

April 22,
1904.

Brilliantly clear with light S. E. wind. Ground
frozen in. Sun in but air delightfully warm though day.

Working all day in Pine Park with Hanson
& Poa. We set out a lot of small hatch pens to
capture those raised by the bees which have also bred
a few white bees. Walked out evening over Pine Ridge
on North looking down. Went to farm for an hour in A. M.

Arrivals: - (2) Yellow swarms on Balls Hill this evening.
1 Northern honey bee on the Great Meadow on wing.
Yellow Redpolls & Horned Larks still common. 5
7 of Sparrows at Balls Hill & 3 at farm.

Concord

April 23,

1904.

Brilliantly clear with light S. W. to S. E. wind.
Much warmer.

To farm at 8 a.m. spending day there.
Transplanted a number of currant & gooseberry
bushes to the new fruit orchard south of
the barn. The birds sang freely in the early
morning but not much through the day.
At dinner a Dove cooed for a long time near
the cabin. Just after breakfast (about 7 a.m.)
we heard the Carolina Wren again near the barn.
He sang only a few times.

Concord (Ball's Hill)

April 24,
1904.

Beautifully clear with light W. wind. The
warmest day thus far - uncomfortably warm in the sun.

Rambled around the Hill & to Pine Park
after breakfast. George V. Bennett arrived at 10.30.
We started for Davis's Hill about an hour before the
gypsy water man. A little later Edward Johnson & his
two sons appeared. We had a long talk & walked
through the ~~Hill~~ Hill woods with them as they were
on their way back. In P.M. we took a long walk
to the farm & the big birch woods beyond ~~about~~ ~~the~~ ~~woods~~
Birds were late in the early morning when
they sang freely.

Concord - Boston.

April 25,
1904

Partly cloudy. Warm with light S. W. wind.
Heavy rain last night.

To Boston by 8.13 train with Mr. Brewster.
Parted with him at North Station & proceeded to the
Bellevue where I saw Mr. & Mrs. Gehring. They
said for England to - unknown on the "Saxonia".
Went to office. Leonard was expected there but he
did not appear. Went to Mulligan's where I bought
40. worth of tools. Then back to office where I found
G. H. Ford. Dined with him at home & had a
long talk afterwards. He also went over 20 lbs. of plums
for our secondary birding. Returned to Boston by
4.47 P.M. train.

Concord.

April 26.
1904.

Spent day at farm tilling & - day.

Partly cloudy. Light N. to N.E. winds. Cool at morning and evening; very warm at mid day.

Spent day at farm working with Hanson, Pat & Howard. Tom replanted a lot of raspberry & currant bushes. Pat & Howard also brought in a load of ground juniper and another of big bushy bushes day yesterday along the Bigelow road. Birds rather silent. Saw a Savannah Sparrow in Thomas's pasture & a White-throated Sparrow in Corn near Arthur's place.

Concord,

April 27,

1904

Heavy N. E. rain storm with violent
wind and floods of rain.

To the farm at 8 a.m. Soon after reaching
it I was driven in doors by the rain
& spent most of the day in the wood shed
arranging tools etc.

As I worked the cabin this morning I
heard a Red-wing's chirp kuu-kuu-ee. It
was the only bird heard enough to sing.

Concord,

April 28,

1904.

Heavy N. E. storm all day with
continues of rain.

The storm continues unabated. Indeed more rain
fell than yesterday. The hollows in the fields are ponds
& the water is rising on into an hour. The little brook
of the spring at the farm was a lovely torrent this
evening with beautiful snow-white cascades.

Spent day at farm working in shed painting
tools etc. Home at ten o'clock after noon dinner.
Saw about a dozen swallows in front of the cabin
this evening. They are having a bad time of it.

Concord, April 29,

1904.

Raining all day but less heavily than
yesterday. Entire country a swamp. Rain rose
two feet since last night & is now at the same
height in front of cabins. About a dozen swallows
flying over water opposite. Both had this morning
spent day at farm working in the house
planting trees etc. As I crossed Birch Field
at 6.30 I heard both Howard over looking
in herring pairs.

Concord (Balls Hill), April 30

1904.

Clearing with intervals of bright
sunshine. Light thunder shower in P.M. very little wind.

The river was at high flood to-day. The water
covered the path in front of cabin 2 feet deep or more.
I paddled the whole length of it in my canoe & then
through the woods at the foot of Holden's Hill landing
at the head of Howe's meadows & walking to the farm where
I spent the day branding tools. It was a calm clear
evening when I returned.

Birds were 1 Black & White Creeper singing at cabin 5 P.M.
1 Red Sucker, 1 at Balls Hill, 1 at Farm, Solitary Vireo in thicket
at Farm house, 1 Great Flycatcher 1 called three or four times

Concord (Ball's Hill), May 1, (Sunday)
1904

Beautifully clear with fresh and cool
E. wind.

Spent the forenoon on or near Ball's
Hill rambling in the woods & walking about
the cabins. In P. M. sailed down to the
big Bedford Swamp and explored it more
thoroughly than ever before. The water was
very high & the flooded wood-crowned meadows
very beautiful. There were few birds there, however
several that I know of my own woods on the way back

Concord

May 2,
1904

Belleantly clear with cool E. wind.

Spent day at the farm setting out
peas and plant trees in the front orchard
near the woods behind the orchard. After
leaving the cabin this morning in front on the
mossy beams. As we were at work on them
we all heard distinctly first in the distance the
whispering cough of a loon. It was, however
flying high for we could not see it. I went
to Davis's Hill by canoe on my way to the farm.

See this from brother's view.
They think - on or fern.

Concord / Ball's Hill, May 3
1904

Beautifully clear with light
S. wind. First cold night but very warm in
noon to-day.

Arrived - looked - 1 at Town, leaving at 6 P. M.

Spent day at farm getting out accounts,
replenishing & various things & plants, Hanson,
Hammel & Pat working. Also busy with two more.
Went to school by course via Harris' work
The water is still high but falling fast.

Concord

May 4
1904

Clear with light W. wind. Very warm.
Vegetation advancing rapidly. Barbary, Spruce,
Apple trees unfolding, Willows green with young foliage.
Animals: - Bobolink 1/2, Bull Terrier 5 a.m. flying N. high up,
1 Horned Lark, 8.30 a.m., heard N.; 1 Tern 6 P.M. heard N.,
Downy Woodpecker flying low over wing, Golden Plover,
Spotted Sandpiper, 2 along river; Upland Plover, call with
heard over the Great Meadows (heard 6.30 P.M.).
Spent day at farm house planting & doing various odd
jobs. Went & returned by canoe via Horned Lark.
Sailed most of way back on wing.

Concord - Boston, May 5
1904

Sunny & warm with light S.W. wind.
To Boston at 8.13 a.m. First to Burdett &
Williams to buy a few tools. Trustees met at our office
10 a.m. Present Estabrook, Beaman, Mr. E. & Bond & I.
We worked until 1 P.M. on plans for new academy
building. Dined with Estabrook. Worked a little
after lunch. Of 21 plans rejected all but three.
To Fairbanks at 3 P.M. to buy flower seeds.
With Mr. Bond took 4.47 train to W. Bedford. I
round him first to Holden's Hill & then to
Davis's Hill before dark.
Arrived Yellow Wagon 10 W. Bedford. Wapsettville 1/2
Off. B. W. (Gilbert) Scrub Juncos 10. Bussey (Gilbert)

Concord,

May 7,

1904.

Clear and oppressively warm with
strong S. W. wind.

Animals: - Chestnut-sided Warbler, 1*; Lesser Warbler, 1*;
House Wren, 1*; Yellow-throated Vireo, 1*; Bal. Oriole, 1*;
Great Crested Flycatcher, 1*.

First Bat at evening flying about farm house.

First dandelion & clover blossoms.

Spent day planting grasshopper and rockhopper
quail in front of barn.

Heavy & long Annularis occurred at 5.30
to base night at farm house.

Covered, May 8,
1904.

Clear & oppressively warm with strong S.W. wind.
With the Ampletons walked about the farm after
breakfast and later in the forenoon to Bald Hill
where we dined at the cabin with Jack Ample.
My guests departed by the 4.06 P.M. train &
I went home back to the farm.

Animals: - Maryland Yellow. About 1/2 from, 1/2 Davis;
wasp. Nashville Water 1/2, from.

First Tree Toad call this evening.
Shed web in bloom. Revolver warty out.

Concord, May 9,
1904.

Cloudy with N. E. wind and thick rain
all day. A warm storm for a while earlier.

Arrivals: - Blackburnian Warbler 8% in elm in
front of house 9 a.m.; Cat Bird 1% near farm house,
(2) seen by Gilbert at Bull's Hill.

On the evening of the 7th I saw a single Bat
leave the loft over the wood shed. There was a cluster
of 10 or 12 of them hanging there to-day.

Transplanted a few garden flowers after breakfast
& the men dug 540 young pines for Seton. The rain then
drove us in doors. I spent day in stud painting &
arranging trees. Walked to Ritchie place & Birch field at evening.

Concord - Cambridge, May 10

1904.

Fairly clear, calm & entirely hot. Afternoon
partly cloudy with E. wind & light showers.

Spent most of a. m. working with
Hanson & Pat in Back Field digging series to
lead to Sutton. Walked to Ball's Hill at
noon & took 12.44 train to Cambridge when
I visited one place & called on Mrs. Fendler,
Miss Alice Allen & E. R. S. Returned 5.01 train
from Arlington going to Concord & dining down.

Archie
Herringbird 1 Horn (Siberia)

Concord, May 11
1904.

Clear most of day with light W. to S. W. winds.
fog down in the afternoon.

Only animal noted was a Red-eyed Vireo in
field song.

Spent day working in the flower garden
with Paul & Howard. At evening strolled to
Ritchie place & the Berry pasture. There we
observed two Ritchie Gulls this evening a pair of
Brown Swallows entered & at once settled in an old
nest. They went to work in this nest at evening

Concord, May 12
1904.

Clear most of day with light n. wind.
Cool in early morning; very warm at mid day.

Arrivals - Canadian Warbler, ♂, Balds Hill;

Wood Thrush - ♂ at 7 am.

Arthur Bangs spent the forenoon with
me. I went down at West Bedford at 9.06.
A. M. & we walked over most of my lands
looking for some more warblers. He returned
by 2.20 P. M. I am & I about an afternoon
walking in the flower garden. Walked to Pelham
at evening.

Concord, May 13,
1904

Cool in early morning, very warm through
the day. Light breeze from W., N., and E.

No new birds noted to-day and none certainly
migrating (saw a Parula Warbler, observed. The
flock this spring is better if any better than
last year. (I mean of early May birds.)

Spent forenoon painting wild flowers along the
path to the Rutchin place. In P. M. walked with

Howard & Pat straightening out the flower garden.
Walked to Rutchin place at night. Several early open trees
in front of house. Rhodora, beginning to flower.

Concord - Boston - Providence; May 14.
1904

Cloudy with chilly E. wind.

Gilbert & I drove old Charley to Concord
this morning to catch the 8.06 train. Took busy
with us. He went to Boston & I took 10.06
train to Providence where I joined C. at
the station where she has spent the past two
days. We walked down & walked about the
neighborhood. Took 3.23 train to Boston &
walked to the Appleford where she is to stay until
noon. Gilbert & I then walked to St. Marys where
I saw Sister Francis. He returned to Concord by 6 P.M.
I saw Gilbert & drove home to the 7 am.

Concord, May 15
1904

Cloudy & misty with strong, cool N.E. wind.
Began raining heavily about dusk. Soon after
another heavy storm upon us.

Spent A.M. working in the flower
garden which is now in almost perfect order.
I have transplanted a lot of things, planted many
all my flower beds/annexes, and edged all the
walks accurately by line.

Spent P.M. in Birch Field. Put wood
ashes about a lot of things & covered a number
of tender things. Apple trees in full bloom this
morning - a glorious show. Rhodora in full bloom also.

Concord - Boston, May 16,
1904

Early morning cloudy; remainder of day clear
with strong N.W. wind. Evening very cool.
Accidents: - Two black polls, 1 Gray. Checked through at Balls &
Took 8.13 train to Boston walking to

Balls Hill. Went first to the Abbottsford where
I saw C. & S. R. S. next to one office. Then
to Ball's where I bought a few tests.

Took 1.15 P.M. train (Fitchburg R. R.) back to
Concord. Drove to the Cannons where I saw
Mrs. & Miss S. F. Green, & Mrs. Jane Putnam. Then
back to W. R. R. by electric & then to the farm
walked to Balls Hill at night.

Concord, May 17

1904

A. M. Sunny but hazy. P. M. cloudy with light showers. Cool with strong S. W. wind.

C., E. R. S., Sister Francis & Miss Henders came up to-day. I did a little work before their

arrival at 12 noon when we all went to the cabin dining room. After dinner C. drove to

the farm & the rest of us walked through the woods. They departed at 3:40 to take the

4:20 train back to Boston. After this I worked the wild gardens behind the barn.

Arrived Golden-ving Warbler on board on Bay Point at evening. A pair of Barn Swallows entered the barn at evening. A pair of Red Headed Woodpeckers.

Covead, May 18,
1904

Cloudy with strong N.E. wind and rain all
the afternoon.

Arrived Judsons harisoni by Puffin Rock, 11 a.m.

Spent a.m. working with Harron & Pat at
the western entrance to Birch Field where we
cleared out & cut up & burnt a number of
beams to make room for a plantation of
hurdles & mountain Laurel just received from
Mason, N.H. In P.M. worked with Pat working
the wild flower beds behind the barn.

Concord - Boston - May 19,
Cambridge. 1904

Cloudy with N.E. wind and occasional heavy showers.

Drove to Concord this morning & took an 8.06 train to Cambridge. Spent about an hour at home. The garden looking very beautiful. Saw a ♀ Downy Woodpecker, Yellow Warbler, Redstart, Oriole etc.

To Boston at 10.30. Called at Abbottsford & waited an hour on home for C. But she did not return. Then went to office, looked over Mr. E. N. Board. Just before meeting at 1.15 to 3.30 to consider plans. The first division. Present E. H. Board, J. K. Board, Judge Bell, Judge Abbott, Dr. Sexton, J. L. Board, Arthur, Estabrook & Mr. W. W. W. Phelps & walked to farm. Took the 4.47 train back to West Cambridge & walked to farm. Fully 300 ^{gallons} ^{of} ^{birds} ^{feeding} ^{about} ^{Boys} ^{Hill}.

Concord

May 20,
1904

Forenoon sunny & oppressively warm. Thunder
storms about noon & continued at 3 P. M.
Evening cloudy & calm.

Spent day at W. end of Birch Field working
with Hanson & Pat planting a large number of
heralds and small mountain laurels raised
from bones of Watson, N. H. Put all the one
or two of each in a wicker bed.

Walked to Ricketts place at evening. Birds singing
fully. To my surprise a Woodcock was looking & singing
in the very pasture where I returned.
Woodcock singing. (2) flying N. at evening over Ricketts place.

Concord, May 21,
1904.

Clear & warm with light W. wind.

Very many Warblers in woods about farm this morning
and a number (including 2 Black Poles, a Black &
Yellow, an Osprey, a Black-burnian & a Wilson's
Blow-up) in blossoming apple trees in our orchard.

Spent a day in Birch Field where we finished
planting the hembells & mountain laurels. In
P. M. work in the flower garden. Walked
to Rich's house on evening

Concord,

May 22,
1904.

Brilliantly clear with strong, soft S.W. wind.

Arrivals Black-billed Cuckoo 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ at farm; Goshawk
Yellow-legs (3) flying over Great M. at evening.

Northern migrants noted: - Swainson's Thrush 2 (1 $\frac{1}{2}$ at evening)
Water Thrush 2 at Balls Hill.

From 8 to 10 a.m. I rambled about the
woods & fields near the house, walked down the
road to Peterson's & made a call at the Howes'.
Clarence J. Beaker M.D., his son James, & George V. Bennett
arrived at 10.30. We walked to Balls Hill where we
found Edward Emerson. We had dinner at the cabin.
The Beaker & Mr. Emerson departed at 4 P.M. After
that Mr. Bennett & I walked to Davis's Hill. I had
lunch across the river at 6 & walked slowly back to farm.

Cowd - Boston, May 23,
1904

Clear & warm with strong S. W. winds.
Gilbert & I drove Charley to Cowd this
morning, left him at Ward's stable to have his
bath fixed, and then took the 8.06 train to
Boston. I went to the Admiral & spent an
hour with C. kept to office where I met
William J. Brewster by appointment & had a talk with
him about his father & Edwin. He & I then
lunched with Arthur at the Exchange Club. After
that I did some shopping. Gilbert & I returned to
Cowd by the 4 P.M. Fall River train

Concord, May 24,
1904

Clear & hot with light S.W. wind.

Spent day on farm working with Pat & Hansen, weeding etc. At evening walked to Birch Field & back through the oak woods along Benson's Corn. Ladies slipping in full bloom. Apple blossoms & robins past their prime. Lilacs in bloom. Mosquitoes more numerous than I have ever seen them here before. The birds singing & in full cry.

The only northern birds noted to-day were 2 ♂ Black-bills. This evening about 7.30 as I entered the lower end of the new wood that connects the farm Corn with the Pile-in place I saw a Woodcock standing erect & hid in the brush ground. As I advanced she began beating her wings on the ground and uttering a low, harsh, nasal *ch-ch-ch-ch*. She kept about of me following the wood, & occasionally flying a few yards to the back of the head of the Corn when she first moved it. I stepped on the oak pile behind her & she was 2 feet from me.

Concord, May 25,
1904

Clear with light S.W. wind. Not so warm as yesterday. Bright thunder showers at evening.

Spent day at farm working at various tasks chiefly out of doors. Among other things with the help of Hanson & Pat I put bisulphide of carbon in upwards of a dozen holes exposed to harbor woodchucks. Boy worked at the Pitkin place all day finishing the planting work.

Saw a perfectly fresh deer track (that of a yearling buck) this morning on the roadway that leads from the farm to the Pitkin river.

Concord, May 26,
1904.

A. M. clear & intensely hot.

P. M. oppressively sultry with a procession of
thunder storms - has less than four of them, all
accompanied by heavy rain & excessive lightning.

Spent day working in the home garden
with Hanson & Pat. It is now in "off the pie"
order with practically everything finished & sort
of the home birds up.

The northern migrants appear to have all
departed & all the summer birds are now here.

The woods are in full leaf. The birds spawning
& very clamorous. Hylas had become silent in past few
days.

Concord, May 27,
1904.

Forenoon calm & oppressively hot. A heavy
thunder storm at noon. Afternoon clear with cool
west wind.

Spent a. m. working in the flower garden &
also about the house, P. M. working the
wild garden just east of the barn. Walked
to Reliance place & the Berry Pasture at noon.

Set out two plants of *Rhododendron maximum*
received from Mason, N. H. putting them in
the Barrell run near the roadway.

Concord - Boston, May 28,
1904.

Beautifully clear with fresh, cool W. wind.

Spent a. m. working about the place with Hanson
Pot being away to-day. Worked chiefly in barn & shed
arranging things. Soon after dinner Gilbert & I walked
to Ball's Hill where I worked about in the woods for
an hour cutting a lot of Cochis' Hopper flowers which
are now at their prime. We took the 4.24 train.
I went to Boston where I spent the night at
the Atholfield with C. Solly Deaton called & we
enjoyed his home. It was a cool beautiful evening
with a full moon.

Boston - Concord - May 29,
1904.

Fairly cloudy & cool. Afternoon cloudy.
A fair strong westerly wind all day.

Went to Concord Church with C. at 9.30.
Mary Grouse met us there. I left them at 10.50
& took Arlington Heights train at 11 going directly
through (with one change) to W. Bedford crossing the
cabin at 1 P.M. & the farm at 2 P.M. Just before I
got to the house Gilbert saw a Weasel in our
wood sheds the first one here one noted on the farm.
In ~~the~~ P.M. walked down the road past the flowers
& Goshawk across the Rutchin place. Heard a Woodchuck whistle
in Mill Field at 2 P.M. & a Golden King bird seen at evening

Concord, May 30,
1904

Cloudy with S. W. wind and heavy rain all P. M. & into evening.

Spent the forenoon prospecting for pine timber which I intend cutting next month. Also worked a couple of hours on cutting out a new wood road to lead through the Prescott pine lot past the low black birch. Reached the cabin at noon & dined there. There were only a few people on the river & there disappeared when the rain began. The mosquitoes at Balls Hill were terrific. Heard a Black bear near Pulpit Rock & a Canadian Warbler in Davis Swamp.

Spent P. M. writing on the farm house. No work at camp; it was that rainy.

Concord, May 31,
1904

Partly cloudy. Light S. E. wind.

Spent day working about the farm.

An uneventful day. Saw for news

from C. that the had fallen again

& that he was rather badly

Concord, June 1,
1904

Cloudy and cool with strong E. wind
which brought fine, drizzling rain in the
late afternoon.

Feeling anxious about C. I took the
8.13 train to Boston going by way of Davis Mill.
I found her better. Mrs. de Jersey was with her.
I went out to Cambridge at 11. The garden
as beautiful as a dream & fairly abloom with
flowers. Two Quince, 2 Clippings, 2 Redstarts during storm
had ^{upset} a pair of Redstarts. Took 2.10 train back
S.H. 7 o'clock and the way to her home.

Concord, June 2,
Boston 1904.

Cloudy with N. E. wind and a drizzle of fine rain at intervals. Day cool.

Gilbert went to Boston by 8.15 train. Forbush & I went on train after breakfast discussing plans for season's work & then walked to Ball's Hill. Crossing river saw at least thirty Swallows mostly Barn (with 2 Barn, 2 Bank & 1 white bellied). There were also (6) Swifts. And some birds were plumping food on the water.

Forbush went up the railroad track towards Concord for birds (Salicivora) of which he collected nearly a basket of fine birds. I took 10.30 train reaching Boston at 12.30. Lunched in Exchange Building & got back to our office at 1. Lunches of Academy met 1.30 - 3 P. M. Long discussion of plans ending in rejection of all of them but one of the oratorical was be asked to return his plan. To Dr. Blake's by cab at 3.30. Saw him & Dr. Walker. Long day very cool is nearly well & my hearing above normal. Caught at Abbeysford ^{base C.} was very hot & drove to Haverhill, helped & returned on 4.47 train. Forbush found no other swallows. I walked slowly to home.

Concord, June 3,
1904.

A. M. cloudy with one or two light showers.

P. M. sunny & very warm with S. W. wind.

Spent entire day working with Forbes
& Hunter in Fire Hole opening east of Birchfield.
First we cut out a lot of trees & burnt all the
brush. Next we prepared a plot of sandy ground
& covered it with wire netting. Finally we
planted a portion of it with ten birds Forbes
got along the railroad yesterday. Two Grosbeaks, a Towhee
a Jay, a House Sparrow, a Mockingbird, a Chipping Sparrow & a Chestnut Sided
Warbler hanging round us all day. A Parula also seen, also.

Concord, June 4,
1904.

Clear with light E. wind. A fine day.

Spent entire day working with Torbush in
Fire Hole Opening. We completed the fence begun
yesterday and shaded up a considerable portion
of the enclosed area in preparation for visitors.
I saw a number of yearling cupines. The nests
are abundant. 7 or 8 inches long.

Walked to Ritchie's place at evening.

Concord, June 5;
1904

Warm and oppressively humid. A light shower
showed in the afternoon.

Spent forenoon writing letters & checking for bills.
Killingbird came after dinner & I took a walk
in the woods with him. Afterwards worked in
flower garden. Called at the Howes' in the
early evening. The first Indigo Bird appeared
at the farm to-day.

Concord, June 6,
1904.

Cloudy threatening rain which did not
come. Wind N. E. Cool.

Spent day putting up a wire netting
fence about the front orchard to keep out
woodchucks & rabbits. Patrick & Hanson working
with me also Pat. A red deer doe in a
cage after tea in the orchard was surrounded
all day by an angry & excited mob of birds.

Went to Plebeian place & Benson's at evening.
On way back I saw a dead mouse perhaps a field mouse.
Went to the water a short evening. I did not see the gun

Concord, June 7,
1904

Cloudy, calm, humid & rather sultry. Heavy
under storm about 3 a.m.

Spent day working in the field with Forbes.
He arranged the trees on the wood in the
upper room a task of no slight difficulty.
Although we made a great effort the bats were
not disturbed. There are 15 of them now.

Walked to Ketchikan place at evening.

To my surprise a Black-bell Wren
was singing west of fountain in the trees near the
house.

Concord, June 8,
1904

Cloudy, misty, humid & cool with N.E. wind but no rain.

Forbes & I continued our work on the rearrangement of the tool room and the shed keeping at it all day. Howard worked with us. Boy & two men worked at the well in the meadow, putting a filter bed of clean sand around it with a covering of cement. I had not worked this evening.

Concord, June 9,
1904

Clearing with other water cloud & sunshine.
Wind still N. E. very cool.

Spent the day cutting hemlock in the
Pulpit Rock woods. with Forbush, Howard &
one of Gony's men. They are for timber & I
intend keeping them. A Blackburnian Jay is
these woods.

Walked through the Barrett oak woods to
Bain Field at evening.

Concord, June 10,
1904.

Cloudy most of day with occasional bursts of
sunshine. Calm; cool.

Forbush & I spent the forenoon putting up tools
in the chair house. In the afternoon we went to
the Pulpit Rock woods & hauled a number of pins
removing the bark carefully in square flakes.

Long & two men worked on the place all day.

At evening I walked to Benson's with Forbush, returning
alone via Birch Field where I started two Partridges from
a poplar. Is it possible they were breeding?

Concord, June 11,
1904.

Brilliantly clear with light cool E. wind.

Spent most of day on farm. In a.m. Forbush & I worked in the tool room. In P.M. we put up a wire netting fence around the vegetables at Ritchie place. Long worked all day with two men mending rockers etc. near the house. One of his men pulled most of the logs out day before yesterday.

I walked to the Ritchie place at evening. The same blue Jay had gone to roost on the same stub. The Phoebe nest in barn cellar had 5 young well feathered but not able to fly this day. Just a week ago (on the 4th) I examined it carefully & it was empty then. Someone must have removed the young & returned them afterwards.

Concord, June 12, (Sunday)
1904

Brilliantly clear with light S. E. wind. Cool.

In a.m. went to Davis & Ball's Hills with
Forester to lay out & explain his business work.
There were many boats & launches on the river but we
saw no one ashore. Birds seemed to me scarce in
the Ball & Davis Hills region.

Worked cotton after dinner. About 4 P. M. started
for a walk. Went through Purple Rock woods to Birch Field
& back through the Barrett woods. Got two small pieces for
tomb rocks.

To Ritchie's place on evening. Started a Woodcock from
a potato patch in the hollow behind the barn. (It is quite wet now)

Concord, June 13,
1904

Clear and cool with light E. wind.

Spent forenoon at the Farm working
in the garden and doing various odd things.
In late afternoon we moved to Ball's Hill
to spend the night there. No less than
four different Billows were pumping at sunset,
one nearly opposite the Cabin, another opposite
Benson's landing. Two still flutter up the meadow.

Concord - Boston - Wolfboro, June 14,
1904.

Clear & cool with light S. W. winds.

Took 8.12 train to Boston & with Arthur
Estabrook 9 a.m. train for Wolfboro. The "West Wind"
met us at the Wiers. Mary Ford, Miss Harts, &
Mr. & Mrs. MacKinnon on board. J. K. Ford & Dr. Muddell
acquired by down train at noon. We reached crossing
the Baller as usual. Saw a Brown Eagle. Luncheon
waiting at 2.30. Dinner at Hobbs' Inn at 5 P.M.
Graduating exercises in evening. Best food than usual.
Two large & two small colonies of Martins in village.
Probably 100 birds in all. Charming sunset showing coloring.

Wolfsboro, N. H., June 15,
1904.

Cloudy, warm, light S. wind.

Spent most of day cruising about Lake in
steamer "Wise Wind". All the teachers saw Mr. Bond
& most of the Trustees aboard. Saw another
brown Eagle & heard a Hermit Thrush.

Reception at town hall in evening, dancing
afterwards. I tried on water with Mary Bond.
Got home at midnight. Washing bins, Yellow U.V.,
Botanists, Order etc. in village. Our White G. Nuthatch
nest. Had Thermometer for breakfast.

Wolfeboro, Merrimack, Andover, June 16,
1904.

Clear & cool with light W. wind.

Took 8 a.m. train for Haverhill with J. S. Merritt
& Adm. At Haverhill took electric for Merrimack,
arriving there about noon. Dined at Charles Hayes's
with his family & Uncle Henry. Afterward called
on Aunt Abby, Maria, Uncle Henry & Bette &
Warren & Clara Gould. Aunt Abby feeling unwell.
All the other family well except Bette who has neuritis.
To Andover by electric in late P.M. Took tea at
Eskew's & spent night at Beaches.

Andover, Boston, Cambridge, June 17,
1904.

Clear & cool with light W. wind.

Spent forenoon at Andover. Collected at the
fields & saw Sam & Ann & their children.

Leander & I took noon train to Boston.

Justine meeting at 1.30 to consider plans for
new academy. Max. Toland on arched back train.

to Cambridge at 4 P.M. Garden lovely. Part
of birds with nest; Yellow-billed Cuckoo's nest in
pear tree near pond; Geese's nest in leaves from
which young has just flown. Yellow Warbler, Redstart,
Grackles, etc. Several Robins, some in leaves. Spent
night at Walter Deans.

Cambridge - Cos Cob, June 18,

1904.

Clear & warm with S. wind.

Spent a.m. in museum. Left 1.07 P.M.

Train for Amherst. Reached Cos Cob at 6.30.
Stood to drink tea at Seton's in back wagon with
boy driver & then, tired horse. Stopped at the Inn to
pick up a Mr. & Mrs. Moody where a big red automobile
came hurtling around a corner & dashed through at
us stopping at once for wheel. The truck horse broke his
harness in a twinkling & galloped off with the boy clinging
in the rear. After beating the champion soundly we finally
forgot him & he took us all in & carried us to Seton's.
Mrs. Seton, her mother, Seton, his niece Miss Thompson &
Moody & I sat down to dinner about 7.30.

Cos Cob, Conn., June 19,
1904.

Clear & warm with light S. W. wind.

Simon & I spent forenoon roosting about his place.
It is very beautiful, especially about the lake.
He has one 100 Wood Thrush there. I counted 62 in
the open water on Summit Canada Goose, Snow Goose,
Mourning Dove, Barn (2) Ash Green (1), Canvas Back,
Hairy Woodpecker, Greater Scaup, Mallards, Grebes, Pintails,
Redpolls, Blue & Green winged Teal, Gadwall, Shovellers etc.
One pair Canada Goose had 4 young. Chats, Ferruginous, Hood
Merganser, Great Crested Flycatcher, Black-thr. Green Warblers,
& many other birds. To Greenwich & dined at Mrs. Culver's.
At. very dark one to Addison. Home about midnight.

Cox Cob - Boston - Concord, June 20,
1904

Clear & hot with S. W. wind.

Left Cox Cob at 8.11 a.m. & reached Boston
at 2 P.M. coming over the New York & N.E. R.R.
through Andover, Conn. Called on Office & took
4.47 train for Concord. Everything top at North Hill.
F. Abbe & his wife there. Pat saw a duck, a
Coyote back in traps - on Pine Ridge last week.
I walked to Barrett Meadows at evening. Return
jumping, Don coming. Therobon, Verina (3), Colbirds (3),
Say Sparrows etc. Tring. Two about light Throns
flying over meadows. Loach spawling outspreading
flapping over meadows. Loach spawling outspreading
flapping over meadows.

Concord, June 21,

1904

Partly cloudy. Warm with light S. W. wind.

Moved from the cabin to the farm this morning. Spent most of day working with Hanson & Derby in the flower garden & about the house, weeding flower beds etc.

Concord - Lancaster, June 22
1904.

Forenoon clear & oppressively hot.
Two light thunder showers in P.M. Evening clear &
cool with strong N.W. wind.

Spent most of day on the farm working at
various odd jobs. Picked 5 boxes of Thunbergia.
They are abundant & fine this year.

Took 5.34 P.M. train for Lancaster & spent
the night at Miss Holman's, C. & I walked
down the road across the bridge at evening. The
meadows glowed a light with fire this. A glorious
sunset.

Laurester - Concord, June 23,
1904.

Cloudless & cool with light W. wind. A
gloriously beautiful day.

C. & I took our old train walk down
Cemetery Lane 10.11 a.m. Birds seemed
rather scarce. The big dam has been undermined
by the water & has fallen into the river blocking
the channel. At 11 we drove over to the Hoopes
but they were all absent. We then drove to Pounding
Hill. I took the 3.17 train to Concord with Gilbert
& Houston with & drove us to the farm. I
walked to Pullin Place at evening.

Concord - Wolfboro - Boston, June 24,
1904

Clear & cool but warm at midday.

Gettysburg → I drove to Concord this morning &
took the 6.34 train to Boston where I
met Arthur G. Brooks, Ernest Bowditch
Mr. Max Finland & with them went to Wolfboro
to discuss & decide on the exact location of the
new academy. We concluded at Mr. Bowditch's
suggestion to Boston by the afternoon train.
I spent the night at the Athletic Club.

Boston - Glendale, June 25,
1904

Clear & unusually hot. Several thunder storms
at evening.

Went down town in 9 am. got my Big Man, Central
bands from the Loft deposited & left home with Bill work
& to Go down. Took 10.15 train for Berk in.
It proved an exceedingly hot & dusty ride. I
reached Glendale about 4 P.M. The rich town,
Mrs. French & Margaret Mrs. Robert Bush &
Mrs. Walter Bush are staying in an house. Mrs.
Carr - Mrs. Mapes called in late P.M.

Glendale, Mass. June 26,
1904.

Clear & oppressively hot & sultry. Then an
shower in evening.

Spent most of day about the place waiting
to see. Insects, however, in the afternoon.
to the beautiful field pasture at 5 P.M. when
there was a very full moon. Mrs. & Miss
Crommingshield, who have been connected with us.
Birds are still in full song here.

Glendon, Mass. June 27,
1904

Clear & cool with strong N.W. wind.

Spent a m. searching about Glendon
the woods on Don's place. Birds abundant &
singing freely. Heard a song which used to be
and finally traced it to a *Spizella* *coarctata* *coarctata*
a note in flight & frequently uttered from a pine. I
have noted a good description on my other sheet.

Later I spent the afternoon plowing hemlocks
& ferns in an opening in the woods behind the house.
Hemlock gnats which appear to be the same as the "red" or
"no-see-ums" of the north are numerous & very annoying here now.

Glendole, Mass., June 28,
1904

Cloudy & cool with light rain in P.M.

Spent a. m. drying plants in the woods.
& evenings were in the house. Finished the birds with
Doris help after dinner getting in all enough plants
& ferns to fill a flower barrel which I have sent to
Concord by express. Later in the afternoon Joan &
I walked to the Bowker place. Mr. Bowker has
made a pretty winding road through some fine woods
rich in ferns, mosses, birds with beds of Mosses in
full bloom. Wood Thrush & Veeries singing here. Also a Tanager
Big herd of young Moose were away down river.

Glendale, Mass. June 29,
1904.

A. M. cloudy with steady rain. Clearing
in P. M.

Spent A. M. in the fields writing letters.
In P. M. Dan & I walked to Knight's lot
in pond where we found the newts as numerous
& interesting as ever. The solitary plant with
long creamy white pinnas was also in full
blossom in the old place by the wood road.
Mr. Mr. Bowler & Mr. Mitchell at the pond.
Miss Hope called just as we got back.

Glendale - Concord, June 30,
1904.

Cloudy with showers in P.M.

Left Glendale at 9.30 A.M. and took
trolley car to Pittsfield, thence by steam road
to Water Adams where I had to wait
three hours for the 1.05 east bound train only
one two hours later. Reached Concord
at 7.30. Mr. Mours drove me to the
farm where I found Gilbert & "Harry"

Concord, July 1,
1904

Partly cloudy with thunder showers
in P.M. Excessively hot.

Spent day at farm. Set out all the
manure collected at Glendale, under the
flower garden etc. Tooback working
putting up a partition for the tower.
Pat sawing wood. Birds this day
beating freely.

Concord, July 2,
1904.

Forenoon clear & cool with strong W. wind.
Thunder shower with violent wind & heavy rain 2 P.M.
Clear & cool afterwards.

Spent forenoon working about the house & garden.
Drove to Concord to meet 1.19 P.M. train on
which C. arrived from Worcester. The thunder shower
coming up before we left the train we stopped at
the Colonial for an hour & C. had dinner there.
After reaching the farm we walked about the
garden for an hour. To-day's favorite walking up
the garden this evening.

Concord, July 3,
1904.

Clear & very cool with fresh W. wind. A
superb day but more like October than July.

After breakfast C. & I walked to the
Ritchie place & afterwards to the Howes where
we found only Mr. Howe at home. Returning
C. went to see for an hour or two. In the
afternoon we went & walked about the
place & road about. The birds being fairly to-day.
I heard Red Crossbills on the 1st again to-day.

Concord July 4,

1904.

Clear and cool with fresh

west wind.

Walter & Wray's Deers found us at the
farm house this evening. Walter & I had several
short walks in the woods & about the farm during
the day. At evening we had fire works in
the field in front of the house. All the neighbors
were invited & most of them came from their
or some in all.

Concord

July 5,

1904.

Morning sunny but heavy. Afternoon cloudy
with a transition of violent thunder showers. Intensity
settling all day.

E. R. S., Parker & Gilbert arrived at 10 and
we stayed overnight with the foreman. A fine
dinner with water, margin, & wine, C. Parker & Fortwell.
A big birth-day cake for me. We are left in
the P.M. driving to Concord & taking the cars to
Cambridge. Found a beautiful birch bark hut on a
small bluff in the garden a birth-day present
from the Waltham Club. Took tea at Waltham.

Cambridge - July 6
1904

Clear & warm, with almost no wind.

Spent most of day in house writing
letters etc. One Cat bird has successfully raised
& commenced their first brood. Young Robins, Yellow
Warblers, Chiffins, Redstarts & Grackles are also
flying about the garden. Saw one or two Swifts
at evening. A pair of Yellow throats built their
nest in a pear tree but one young has appeared. I
heard the old bird to-day.

Cambridge, July 7
1904

Clear & warm.

Spent day in Museum writing letters etc.

Cambridge - Boston, July 8
1904

Clear & warm.

Spent most of day in Museum writing letters etc.

To Boston at 4.30 P.M. to see Dr. Bloor.

He tells me that I must not work more than two hours per day for the present as there has been a return of congestion in the ear & other unfavorable symptoms. I had hoped to attack & finish the introduction to Cambridge Birds this afternoon but I fear it will now be impossible.

Cambridge - Concord July 9
1904

Clear and cool.

Gilbert & I took 8.34 a.m. train to West Bedford.
Crossing the river I spent an hour at the Cabins
with Forbach & then walked to the farm.
In the afternoon Forbach Pat & I put up some
traps in the grass pasture & did some
work on the kitchen floor. I walked about the
farm & orchard at evening. Birds still singing freely.

Concord - July 10
1904.

Cloudy & sultry with a light shower in
forenoon & another at evening.

In forenoon Robert & I planted about 2000
Cephus seeds which his children have gathered
for me at Wauhan putting about half of them
in Birch Field & the other half in Penn Park.
I walked to Ball's Hill in P.M. Mosquitoes &
deer flies were about equally & very numerous & annoying.

Concord - Cambridge - Boston.

July 11.
1904

Clear & warm.

Returned to Cambridge by 5.13 train walk;
to Ball's Hill. Spent forenoon in Museum.
Drove into Boston in P.M. with C. & Miss Swamy.
Stopped first at Dr. Goldsworthy. With C. was consulting
with him I took a ride in his electric automobile.
Afterwards went to the Pope Mem. Co's office to look
at electric automobiles. Home by electric car at
6 P.M. Sawed wood, took tea with C. Miss Swamy
& me on our back porch

Cambridge - Boston. July 12
1904

Clear & very warm with light S. W. wind.
To Boston on 10 a. m. Spent about two hours
at Pop's room. Then when I bought an automobile
for \$1150.00. Then to office where I saw Estabrook
& Wankelstein. Then back to Pop's where I took a
trip through the parks & around Jamaica Pond in
an old electric which I saw some of the way.
The parks are very beautiful & nice. Returned to
Estabrook's about when I went for an hour. Back
to Cambridge on 6 P. M.

Cambridge - Boston, July 13
1904

Clear and warm through the day. At evening
a brisk N.W. wind arose & the night was very cool.

To Boston at 9.30 a.m. Called first at the
Paper Office & commended very much for an electric
automobile because of the fact that my ride in one
yesterday proved to be a severe strain on my nerves which
are not in the best of condition at present.

I afterwards called at the Office, went to the Safety vaults
with Macomber to get off the Fish Key coupons, and
with Cushman at the Exchange Club, called on Trason on his
floor etc. Returning to Cambridge I went to the Golding Club
to dine with C. & Miss Sweeney.

Cambridge, July 14,
1904.

Clear and cool.

Spent day in museum and garden, writing a few letters, clearing up my desk, superintending Patsy & his men who were cutting down the large cherry tree behind the museum which died last winter.

Jourdain came out at 5 P.M. to identify some birds which he had borrowed from Ernst Inghelton. There were 3 supposed Eastern Kingbirds which proved to belong to the American form and two Mountain Bluebirds.

Jourdain, Dr. J. S. Goldthwaite, Miss Sumner, C. & I took tea on the back piazza. A good flight of Robins. First Acada "flying" to-day. Two pink head birds in one hour.

Cambridge - Portland, July 15
1904

Clear & intensely hot.

Spent the morning in the museum. Miss C. took
the 1.15 P.M. train for Portland, Maine, arriving there
at 5.10. Just beyond Dover, N. H. we passed a long
succession of fields & meadows thickly sponged with
yellow lilies (*L. canadense*) in bloom. In two places we
saw several acres of these lilies growing as closely
together as our own two golden rods.
Spent the night at the Lafayette Hotel where Dr. &
Miss Gehring found us. C. & I had each a long talk
with our good doctor.

Portland - Concord, July 16,
1904.

Clear & intensely hot.

C. & I both had our usual long talk with
Dr. Gehring this morning. I also went out for
a little shopping buying a Porto Rico Panama hat
& some Japanese bottles. We started for Boston
at 12.45. The cars were stopping & we had a long
journey. C. went out to Cambridge & to Concord
where I passed the night at the same house.

Concord, July 17

1904

Clear & cooler with gentle S. wind in late P.M.

Spent a m. about the farm. Long came down
and we rambled about planning for the autumn
work. In P.M. skirted the river from
Peach Island to Hedges Hill. Saw great numbers,
Wood Pewees, Tanagers, Towhees, Field Sparrows &
Robins in full song; also Song Sparrows. Heard a
Partridge down near the Spring & saw an adult
♂ near Hawk flying over Benson's pasture. Green Ties
"tonging"

Cambridge - July 20
1904

Clear & cooler.

Spent day working with Polly & his men fixing
something the little pond in front of the
house by using the flume which Norman bought
from Concord yesterday.

Lowell - Cambridge, July 18,
1904.

A third intensely hot day relieved by a burst
of E. wind in P.M.

Spent forenoon at farm. Went to Birch Field
with Pat & gathered from old walls & stone heaps a
large number of rusty or weathered flint stones which
Harrison will take to Cambridge to - examine & which
I shall put around the little pond in front of the
nursery.

Returned to Cambridge via Paris Hill & West Bedford
by the 4.24 P.M. train

Cambridge, July 19,
1904

Still another unbearably hot day with almost
no wind.

Worked a little in the kitchen in a.m.
Hanson arrived at 10 a.m. with his load of stones.
I sent him back with some fine gravel, a big box
to a dump of pink jamon. The wire fence around
the garden has "rotted out" & the coils are coming fast
through the numerous gaps. I am having them replaced
as far as is practicable.

Cambridge - July 21
1904.

Clear & warm.

Sunny day in morning & garden.

Cambridge - July 22,
1904

Clear with clouds gathering in P.M.

Spent day in kitchen & garden

Cambridge - Concord, July 23
1904

Cloudy with N. E. wind & occasional light
showers.

Spent a. m. in barn & garden planting a
few more about the new pond in front of barn.
Gilbert & I took 1.47 P. M. train to Concord taking
baggage. Arrived there at W. Railroad & walked to
farm where I have my garden.

Concord, July 24

1904

Cloudy with light N. E. wind. Heavy showers in
late P. M.

In forenoon walked to the Hodgman place to
investigate some ferns which Mrs. Hodgman had told
me were growing on a ledge in their pasture. Found
them to be Woodia obtusa the first I have ever seen
here. There were also many of I took only three, one
of which I planted on Purple Rock. The other two I took
to Cambridge. Asplenium adnigrum also growing on this ledge.
Heard 3 loud rattling bob-whites in the sugar-beet fields
about P. M. walking in the flower garden. Walked to
Rabbit hole at evening

Concord - Cambridge, July 25

1904.

A. M. cloudy with heavy showers of fine rain.
Later part of P. M. clear. Very pretty.

Forbush walked in trap & on Rutchin place where
we put five around the sides of the water barn to try
to trap out the Gray Squirrels. I also walked in
the garden with Pat raising a lot of flowers.

Returned to Cambridge by 4.20 train.

Cambridge - July 26,
1904

Clear & very warm.

Spent most of day in museum & garden but
walked with C. to Glenwood & around behind
the Cambridge Herbarium after breakfast. The cherry
is now in full bloom & very beautiful. Saw a
Sparrow Hawk hovering over the garden this afternoon.
I am now allowed to write only one hour daily.
A thin heavy layer on my hands. I spend my work
revising "Cambridge Birds".

Cambridge, July 27,
1904

Clear & warm.

Walked an hour in A.M. seeing the
Cambridge Dist. Spent rest of day in reading
& sampling about in the garden. Planted a
number of the bells & some thyme, received from
Horsford, in the new sowing in front of museum.

Berry & Ruth Jefferson arrived at noon from Exeter.
They with Helen & Maymie Down, C. & I went to
the College to dine at 7 P.M.

Cambridge, July 28,
1904.

A. M. clear & hot. P. M. cloudy.

Worked my usual hour on evening in
Cambridge Birds. Also had a good deal of
stressed about the garden. The bee balance has been
glorious but is going out of flower. Humming birds
constantly about it & about the trumpet flowers.
Red-eye, a Red-head & a Black & White Cuckoo in
full song early every morning.

Cambridge-Concord, July 30,
1904

Morning brilliantly clear. Clouds gathering
in late afternoon. Rather cool.

Spent most of day in Museum reading
& working the usual hours. Took 5:01 train
at Arlington for West Bedford. Forbush
ferried me across the river & I walked
to the farm. Gilbert had preceded me by
the 2 P. M. train. Walked about the
orchard & garden at evening.

Concord - Cambridge, August 1
1904

Clear & intensely hot with thunder showers
at evening.

Spent a. m. working on the farm. Planted
21 buds of Lilium canadense in meadow below orchard.
Visited Ritchie place & picked a lot of Johann plants.
Started for Board's Hill at 2.30. Dug a number
of plants along river path & Board's meadow.
As usual went to take 4.24 train. Some at whom I
got to Mr. Grotto's crossing & saw head for the station.
Failed to reach it but train stopped for me on the corner.
C. & I called on. Saw Hutchins this evening. Heard
the first autumn crickets near his house.

Cambridge, August 9,
1904

Clear & warm.

Walter & I spent most of the forenoon
at the Museum Comp. Zoology which I had not
attended before since last autumn. Saw Henshaw
(who has just been appointed Curator to succeed
Dr. Woodworth Sept. 1, next.) Looked over the
collections finding everything all right. Selected a
series of birds understudy to loan to Maxon at Washington.
Spent afternoon in garden & garden.

Cambridge, August 2,
1904

Cloudy with light rain all day. Oppressively
humid & "sticky".

Spent day in Museum working up records of
these hours on letters, bills etc. Did a little planting
in the Garden betoms. At evening C. & I went to
Mrs. Taylor's to see a night blooming cereus which
had just unfolded some of its waxy perianth flowers.
Later on called at the Andrews' where we found
Mrs. Hayward & S. R. S.

Cambridge
1904

Cambridge - December 18
1904

Snow storm last night & this morning
6 inches. Clearing about noon.

To church at St. Johns with C. at 8.30.

Spent a hr. in museum writing letters etc.
An unusual number & variety of birds in the garden

- 1 Brown Creeper, 3 Chickadees, White br. Nuthatch ♂,
- 1 Cedar Bird (a plainly colored one, without wing, eating barberries)
- 2 Blue Jays (screaming) 1 Downy Woodpecker ♀, a dozen
or more English Sparrows.

