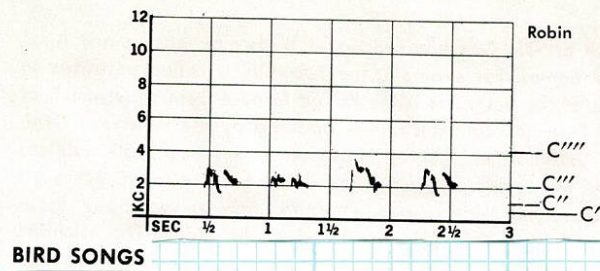


# Fraxinus

10





FINE FOR BATHING.  
FINE FOR THE HAIR.  
FINE FOR SHAVING.  
FINE FOR CHILDREN.  
FINE FOR CLEANING  
WOUNDS.





## CONTENTS

dealing with the birds most worth knowing

A FAMILY GROUP

THE ILL-ASSORTED

FAMILY

an ever-widening circle of new friends

In reality,

every-

thing in feathers is a legitimate target.

this systematic destruction

An immense wave

whose colossal aggregate

signs of our times.

rewards for the heads of certain birds

backed by an immense amount of  
popular ignorance and prejudice

Of course every man and boy carried a gun.

Men now living among us



other birds dangerously near the vanishing point;

The good is oft interred with their bones."

Whoever takes any notice of the birds about us cannot fail to be impressed

among the foliage of trees and shrubbery, an immense army of feathered workers—many of our most beautiful birds and finest songsters among them—

Hidden

such birds as haunt the terminal twigs of trees

Their hearts beat twice as fast as ours.

we are at last putting the emphasis where it rightly belongs—upon the good.

having proven itself fittest to survive

, it will defy man's legislation to exterminate it.

Why this change of

the people's thought?

well-written pamphlets and beautiful colored pictures,

the very poetry of motion;

was as a voice crying in the wilderness.



One evening after supper my dad, wallowing in deep distress, explained how mother has been

In pain I was 10 years old, and had always wanted to know the hidden cause, or

pain. mother, had said When you are born, your sweetness. It follows you She was

known for a good friend my dad looks as if he were silently, shutting down.

**BIRDS** have been considered a means of protection There, looking so wise,

she may know, beyond this vale of tears.

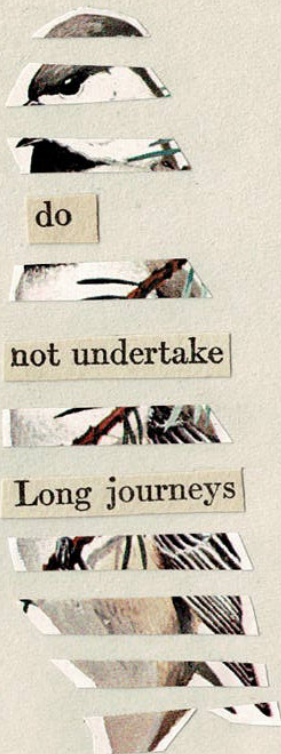
If in thy path a little child, to-day,

Her prayers have followed him a-down the year How much they helped him



Calliope Hummingbird





Do



not



migrate





NIGHT AND DAY GAME HUNTERS

DAY



Eyebright

used to be

A stray little night wind

a mist

playing round

the evening shadows



NIGHT





It would seem



silent birds,  
season  
noisy





Was there ever a family so puzzling and  
contradictory as the Warblers?

They must migrate to find food  
nervous, restless little sprites,

This gay little warbler

dressed for a

masquerade ball

Unhappily, she is not so clever





poor thing, sometime  
s suffers










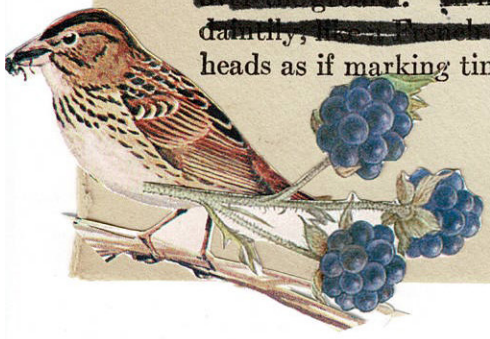
## THE [REDACTED]



in May and June, when he calls most frequently. Beginning quite softly, he increases the intensity of [REDACTED] of notes in a crescendo to come from a point much nearer than it does. Once heard it is never forgotten, [REDACTED] sure of naming at least this [REDACTED] his voice. However, his really exquisite love song is a clear, vivacious melody [REDACTED] while the [REDACTED] is fluttering, high [REDACTED] the [REDACTED] rarely heard, [REDACTED] is not recognized as the [REDACTED] serene. He is a [REDACTED], let it be recorded, who really can sing.



In the highest, driest parts of the wood, where the ground is thickly carpeted with dead leaves, you may some day notice a little bunch of them, that look as if a plant in pushing its way up through the ground, had raised the leaves, roots, and twigs a trifle. Examine them more carefully, and on one of them you find an opening, and within the ball of earth, softly lined with grass, lie four or five cream-white speckled eggs. It is only by a happy accident that this nest of the oven-bird is discovered. The environment could not be better. It is this peculiarity of nest construction—in shape like a Dutch oven—that has given the bird what DeKay considers its "trivial name." Not far from the nest the parent birds scratch about in the leaves, like diminutive [REDACTED] and [REDACTED], for the grubs and insects hiding under them. But at the first suspicion of an intruder their alarm becomes pitiful. Panic-stricken, they become [REDACTED] limp with fear, and drooping [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] the mother bird hops herself hither and thither over the ground. In happier moments they walk prettily daintily, like French dancing-masters, and nod their little heads as if marking time.





## Wild Ducks

They like to dabble along the shores,

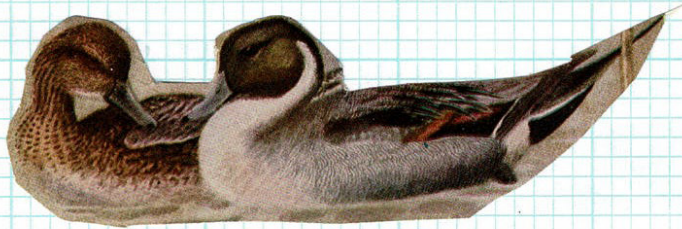
dainty fare,

The surf scoters,

sea ducks,

in autumn,

above them, just as barnyard ducks stand on their heads.

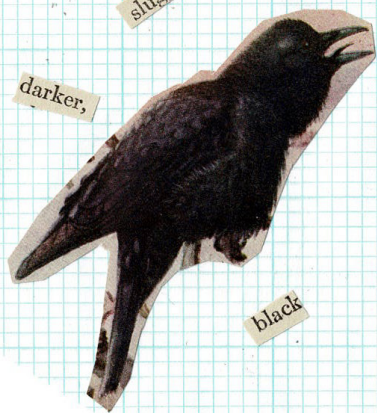






it is so poisonous it is now rarely used in  
any medical treatment.





darker,

sluggish

duller

creeper

black

# THE BLACKBIRD FAMILY

popular

blessing



Golden

strong



**LARGE EARLESS  
OWLS**

a slender, clasping, twining organ,

trailing, lying loosely on the  
ground.

they must be free of mint rust

(of fruits) the cavity containing

lying on the ground but tending  
to turn upwards and become at the  
end.

**Interrupted** not continuous.



AMERICAN GOLDFINCH

the

chestnut-bro

of

excellence



Then away they go, bounding along through the air, now rising, now falling, in long aerial waves peculiar to them alone. You can always tell a goldfinch by its wavy course through the air. Often it accents the rise of each wave as it flies by a ripple of sweet, twittering notes.



the paradise of the goldfinches, summer or winter. Here they congregate in happy companies while the sunshine and goldenrod are as bright as their feathers.

the vocal expression.  
from the ecstatic outburst of the song



many foolish birds,  
a great young family.  
a cheerful feathered tribe  
Thus it is that the goldfinches



PIPING PLOVER  
L 5½"



Why did you leave

Her Pride

WHY THEY LEAVE THE FARM.

off to town

the hidden cause.

Please tell

I left my dad,

deep distress.

the farm,

I left my dad,

I left my dad

It's just the methods

of life that brought me

wallowing



the heron and its allies-

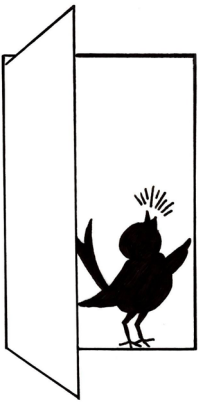
**HERONS AND THEIR ALLIES**

**AND THEIR ALLIES**



Great Blue Heron  
soon after take off





Bird Closet is:

Crow  
Typical Owl  
Raven  
Piping Plover  
Blue Heron  
Chickadee  
Duck  
Great Horned Owl  
House Sparrow  
Goldfinch  
Nighthawk  
Parula Warbler  
Blue Jay  
Calliope Hummingbird  
Barn Swallow



**BIRDS WORTH KNOWING**