ALL DAY WITH THE BIRDS.

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MAY 16 AT OBERLIN, OHIO.

On account of the capriciousness of the weather two attempts were made to secure the largest horizon for the season. The first on May 14th by the writer alone, with three hours in the afternoon cut out, with a record of 102 species (just equalling our first "all day" record); the second on May 16th, Mr. W. L. Dawson and the writer, with a record of 109 species. The time occupied was from 3:30 a. m. to 8:00 p. m. The day began with a temperature of 44° and foggy near the ground, the fog lifting at 7 a. m., making work with the warblers which feed in the foliage of the treetops almost impossible. At 6:00 o'clock only 67 species had been recorded, as against 90 at the same hour last year.

The distance to Oak Point, on Lake Erie, was made a-wheel, enabling us to visit some especially favorable places on the way there and back, and to spend some time in the evening twilight where the owls live. The sequel seems to clearly show that the overland trip by trolley is wasted time.

Two surprises in the lake shore swamps awaited us. One was in the form of a company of shore birds on the mudflats, which included three species never before taken so late in the season; the other our inability to start the Longbilled Marsh Wren and Sora from their reedy retreats. There were other disappointments, as there always are. While the list of species observed is smaller than the largest, we feel satisfied with the day's work. The season was not such as to hold the birds during their northward movement.

It will be remembered that the first "All Day" occurred on May 17, 1898, 102 species; the second on May 8, 1899, 112 species; the third on May 19, 1900, 100 species; the fourth on May 9, 1901, 109 species; the fifth on May 7, 1902, 113 species, and the sixth on May 16, 1903, 109 species. While the dates are somewhat scattered they represent nearly the same level from the stand-point of weather and the progress of the migrations; it is pertinent, therefore, to draw a comparison between the several lists by showing what birds were recorded on all of the six occasions, and showing what ones were recorded fewer times. In the lists which follow those species marked thus * were recorded this year (1903).

SPECIES RECORDED ON EACH OF THE SIX "ALL DAYS".

Herring Gull.* Virginia Rail.* Spotted Sandpiper.* Killdeer.* Bob-white.* Mourning Dove.* Red-shouldered Hawk. Am. Sparrow Hawk. Belted Kingfisher.* Hairy Woodpecker.* Downy Woodpecker.* Red-headed Woodpecker.* Northern Flicker.* Chimney Swift.* Kingbird.* Crested Flycatcher.* Phœbe.* Green-crested Flycatcher.* Traill Flycatcher.* Least Flycatcher.* Prairie Horned Lark.* Blue Jay.* American Crow.* Bobolink.* Cowbird.* Red-winged Blackbird.* Meadowlark.* Orchard Oriole.* Baltimore Oriole.* Bronzed Grackle.* American Goldfinch.* Vesper Sparrow.* Grasshopper Sparrow.* White-throated Sparrow.* Chipping Sparrow.* Field Sparrow.* Song Sparrow.*

Swamp Sparrow.* Towhee.* Cardinal.* Rose-breasted Grosbeak.* Indigo Bunting.* Scarlet Tanager.* Purple Martin.* Bern Swallow.* Bank Swallow.* Rough-winged Swallow.* Migrant Shrike.* Red-eyed Vireo.* Warbling Vireo.* Blue-winged Warbler.* Nashville Warbler.* Tennessee Warbler.* Yellow Warbler.* Magnolia Warbler.* Cerulean Warbler.* Oven-bird.* Water-Thrush.* Louisiana Water-Thrush.* Maryland Yellow-throat.* Yellow-breasted Chat.* American Redstart.* Catbird.* Brown Thrasher.* House Wren.* White-breasted Nuthatch.* Tufted Titmouse.* Chickadee.* Blue-gray Gnatcatcher.* Wood Thrush.* Wilson Thrush.* Olive-backed Thrush.* Robin.* Bluebird.*

Total, 74.

• SPECIES RECORDED FIVE TIMES OUT OF THE SIX.

Common Tern.* Green Heron.* Bartramian Sandpiper.* Ruby-throated Hummingbird. Wood Pewee.* White-crowned Sparrow. Cliff Swallow.* Yellow-throated Vireo.* Blue-headed Vireo.* Chestnut-sided Warbler.* Blackburnian Warbler.* Black-throated Green Warbler.* Canadian Warbler.* Long-billed Marsh Wren. Gray-cheeked Thrush.*

Total, 15.

SPECIES RECORDED FOUR TIMES OUT OF THE SIX.

American Bittern.* Sora. Solitary Sandpiper.* Nighthawk.* Tree Swallow.* Black and White Warbler. Black-throated Blue Warbler.* Myrtle Warbler.* American Pipit.

Total, 9.

SPECIES RECORDED THREE TIMES OUT OF THE SIX.

Great Blue Heron. Cooper Hawk.* Red-tailed Hawk.* Broad-winged Hawk. Bald Eagle. Yellow-billed Cuckoo.* Black-billed Cuckoo.* Whip-poor-will.* Lincoln Sparrow. Bay-breasted Warbler. Palm Warbler. Mourning Warbler. Wilson Warbler. Winter Wren. Red-breasted Nuthatch. Ruby-crowned Kinglet.

Total, 16.

SPECIES RECORDED TWICE OUT OF THE SIX.

Pied-billed Grebe. American Woodcock. Sharp-shinned Hawk. Barred Owl.* Red-bellied Woodpecker.* Rusty Blackbird. Golden-winged Warbler. Orange-crowned Warbler. Brown Creeper.

Total, 9.

SPECIES RECORDED BUT ONCE OUT OF THE SIX.

Bonaparte Gull. Wood Duck. Am. Scaup Duck. Least Bittern. Florida Gallinule.* American Coot. Wilson Snipe.* Least Sandpiper.* Greater Yellow-legs. Yellow-legs.* Semipalmated Plover.* Turnstone. Turkey Vulture.* Pigeon Hawk. American Osprey. Screech Owl. Pine Siskin. Brewster Warbler.* Black-poll Warbler.* Connecticut Warbler. Hooded Warbler. Carolina Wren.* Short-billed Marsh Wren. Golden-crowned Kinglet.

Total, 25. Grand Total, 148.

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All Day With the Birds.

MAY IO. AT CADIZ, OHIO.

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May 10.—In the vicinity of Cadiz from 4 o'clock to 9. Two miles east of town from 10 till 12. In the region of Piedmont, 14 miles southwest of Cadiz, in the late afternoon. Temperature 60° at 4 a. m., 78° at 9 a. m.; clear. Walked 11 miles, rode on bicycle 6 miles, drove 14 miles.

Green Heron. Woodcock. Wilson's Snipe. Spotted Sandpiper. Killdeer. Bob-white. Ruffed Grouse. Mourning Dove. Turkey Vulture. Cooper's Hawk. Red-tailed Hawk. Belted Kingfisher. Downy Woodpecker. Red-headed Woodpecker. Red-bellied Woodpecker. Flicker. Yellow-bellied Sapsucker. Whip-poor-will. Nighthawk. Chimney Swift. Kingbird. Crested Flycatcher. Phœbe. Wood Pewee. Prairie Horned Lark. Rose-breasted Grosbeak. Blue Jay. Crow. Bobolink. Meadowlark. Orchard Oriole. Bronzed Grackle. Cowbird. Red-winged Blackbird. Goldfinch. Cedarbird. Vesper Sparrow. Field Sparrow.

Grasshopper Sparrow. White-throated Sparrow. Chipping Sparrow. Song Sparrow. Towhee. Cardinal. Indigo Bunting. Scarlet Tanager. Purple Martin. Barn Swallow. Bank Swallow. Tree Swallow. Red-eyed Vireo. Warbling Vireo. Yellow-throated Vireo. Nashville Warbler. Yellow Warbler. Cerulean Warbler. Kentucky Warbler. Blackburnian Warbler. Canadian Warbler. Oven-bird. Water Thrush. Maryland Yellow-throat Yellow-breasted Chat. Catbird. Brown Thrasher. Carolina Wren. Tufted Titmouse. White-breasted Nuthatch. Carolina Chickadee. Chickadee. Blue-gray Gnatcatcher. Wood Thrush. Wilson's Thursh. Robin. Bluebird.

Unidentified, 2; Total, 78 species.

We drove to Piedmont in the hope of seeing the Golden Eagle and Logcock. The former is frequently seen in that region, and three have recently been trapped alive. The farmers in that section are complaining that the eagle is taking their lambs.

MAY 17. AT M'ZENA, OHIO.

C. L. METCALF.

McZena, Ohio.—May 17; from 4:30 till 7:50 a. m. and from 12:30 till 5:20 p. m.; clear; light wind, from the north in the morning, south in the afternoon; average temperature about 70°.

Spotted Sandpiper. Killdeer. Bob-white. Ruffed Grouse. Mourning Dove. Red-tailed Hawk. Sparrow Hawk. Yellow-billed Cuckoo. Belted Kingfisher. Hairy Woodpecker. Downy Woodpecker. Red-headed Woodpecker. Red-bellied Woodpecker. Flicker. Chimney Swift. Ruby throated Hummingbird. Kingbird. Crested Flycatcher. Phœbe. Wood Pewee. Prairie Horned Lark. Blue Jay. Crow Bobolink. Cowbird. Red-winged Blackbird. Meadowlark Orchard Oriole. Baltimore Oriole. Bronzed Grackle. Goldfinch. Vesper Sparrow.

Grasshopper Sparrow. White-crowned Sparrow. Field Sparrow. Song Sparrow. Towhee. Cardinal. Rose-breasted Grosbeak. Indigo Bunting. Scarlet Tanager. Purple Martin. Barn Swallow. Red-eyed Vireo. Warbling Vireo. Yellow-throated Vireo. Yellow Warbler. Black-poll Warbler. Blackburnian Warbler. Black-throated Green Warbler. Oven-bird. Maryland Yellow-throat. Yellow-breasted Chat. Catbird. Brown Thrasher. White-breasted Nuthatch. Tufted-Titmouse. Blue-gray Gnatcatcher. Wood Thrush. Olive-backed Thrush. Hermit Thrush. Robin. Bluebird.

Total, 63 species.