

foot, with the pecan in the other, peck a hole in it, and where the meat cannot be pulled out, apparently suck it from the shell. This performance is often repeated until the bird secures a meal of these nut meats. We do not disturb them in this performance and apparently they frequent the premises for that purpose.—PETER A. BRANNON, *Montgomery, Ala.*

**The Starling again at Cumberland, Maryland.**—My friend and correspondent at Cumberland, Md., Mr. John A. Fulton, writes me that the Starlings again turned up in that city in February 28, 1921. They also followed the same tactics as last year, wheeling about the vine-covered Episcopal church, with the apparent intention of settling down in the vines, but the English Sparrows lodging there promptly went at them again and again, until the Starlings withdrew and settled down in some trees nearby. This was repeated for several days.—G. EFRIG, *Oak Park, Ill.*

**Evening Grosbeak Breeding in Michigan.**—For a number of years I have had a flock of Evening Grosbeaks (20 to 60) feeding at my house every winter. About the end of May the last one would disappear and none would be seen again until they reappeared the latter part of October to again spend the winter. Last spring Dr. Christofferson, my associate in bird work, and myself heard rumors that a number of Evening Grosbeaks had summered during 1920 near Munising Junction, some 115 miles west of the Soo, had been there all winter and were still there. The doctor visited the Junction June 1, 1921, and saw six of the Grosbeaks. The station agent stated the Grosbeaks had been around all the previous winter and summer. The doctor arranged with the agent to keep track of the birds this summer and again visited the Junction, September 4. He saw twenty, including a number of young birds and on September 9, eleven. The agent informed him he had kept track of the birds and they had been around all summer.

Early in July we had reports that Evening Grosbeaks were at Hulbert, some forty miles west of the Soo. July 17, 1921, the doctor and I visited that locality. We only had an hour between trains. We did not see any birds but were told by several people the Grosbeaks had been there that morning, were there almost daily and had been there all the previous winter.

August 24, while at breakfast a male Evening Grosbeak came in to one of my feeding boxes. The next day there were three males, two females, and one young in immature plumage and hardly able to fly. August 26 I saw two very young birds. There are ten or a dozen birds in the flock and they are still here September 10.—M. J. MAGEE, *Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.*

**Albinism in the Sharp-tailed Sparrow (*Passerherbulus cauda-***