preening and freeing itself from the web. There had been a very heavy dew the night before, and the web was very wet. This wet condition of the web, it seemed to us, was a handicap to the bird in its efforts to free itself.—LUCRETIUS H. Ross, *Bennington, Vermont.*

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