

NOTES FROM SOUTH DAKOTA.

May 14, 1911, I was around a partly dried up slough that is located about eight miles southwest of Sioux Falls, and while there had the good fortune to run across two Stilt Sandpipers. I approached to within a couple of rods of them and with the aid of eight-power binoculars I fully identified them. They were feeding together in the water among a flock of Wilson Phalaropes, Lesser Yellow-legs, and others.

A JUNE BIRD DAY NEAR SIOUX FALLS, SOUTH DAKOTA.—June 11, at 7 a. m., started on a bird hunt, which lasted until 8 p. m. Took in the woods along Big Sioux river and Skunk creek—fields, prairies, meadows and a couple of small, nearly dried up sloughs. The sky was overcast most of the time and a heavy wind from the northwest was blowing steady all day long. The result:

1. Black Tern.—Common around the sloughs.
2. Hooded Merganser.—Fourteen seen on the river.
3. Mallard.—Three in the sloughs.
4. Blue-winged Teal.—Common in the sloughs.
5. Shoveller.—Common in the sloughs.
6. Lesser Scaup Duck.—Common in the sloughs.
7. Bittern.—Common.
8. Green Heron.—Common along Skunk creek.
9. Black-crowned Night Heron.—Common.
10. Coot.—Only two or three.
11. Wilson Phalarope.—Common about the sloughs.
12. Pectoral Sandpiper.—Common about the sloughs.
13. Baird's Sandpiper.—One with the Pectorals.
14. Lesser Yellow-legs.—Only two.
15. Upland Plover.—Common on the prairies.
16. Killdeer.—Common around the sloughs.
17. Spotted Sandpiper.—Common along the river.
18. Bob-white.—Two.
19. Prairie Chicken.—Two.
20. Mourning Dove.—Common.
21. Marsh Hawk.—One.
22. Yellow-billed Cuckoo.—Common along the river.
23. Black-billed Cuckoo.—Not as common as the Yellow-billed.
24. Belted Kingfisher.
25. Hairy Woodpecker.—One.
26. Downy Woodpecker.—One.
27. Northern Flicker.—Common.
28. Chimney Swift.—Common in the city.
29. Kingbird.—Common.

30. Arkansas Kingbird.—Common.
31. Traill's Flycatcher.—Only one.
32. Prairie Horned Lark.—But few seen.
33. Blue Jay.—Very few.
34. Crow.—Common.
35. Bobolink.—Common on the prairie.
36. Cowbird.—Common.
37. Yellow-headed Blackbird.—Very common around the sloughs.
38. Red-winged Blackbird.—Common.
39. Western Meadowlark.—Common.
40. Baltimore Oriole.—One.
41. Bronzed Grackle.—Common.
42. Grasshopper Sparrow.—Very few.
43. Field Sparrow.—Heard.
44. Song Sparrow.—Common.
45. Towhee.—Heard.
46. Rose-breasted Grosbeak.—Common.
47. Dickcissel.—Very common.
48. Lark Bunting.—Only one.
49. Purple Martin.—Common in the city.
50. Barn Swallow.—Common.
52. Rough-winged Swallow.—Fairly common along the river.
53. White-rumped Shrike.—Fairly common.
54. Red-eyed Vireo.—Heard.
55. Warbling Vireo.—Heard.
56. Yellow Warbler.—Common.
57. Maryland Yellow-throat.—Common.
58. Catbird.—Very common.
59. Brown Thrasher.—Common.
60. House Wren.—Common.
61. Chickadee.—Only one.
62. Wood Thrush.—Heard.
63. Wilson Thrush.—Heard.
64. Robin.—Common.
65. Bluebird.—Common.

Of course some of the other common birds like the Red-headed Woodpecker and Goldfinch were nowhere to be seen.

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