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#### Partridges Hypnotized.

Referring to the item in MAINE WOODS of last week in regard to the hypnotized deer that didn't get off the track, F. N. Beal, superintendent of the Sandy River railroad, says that partridges act funny around their trains. They often stand beside the track with in a foot or two of the wheels when the train goes by and they often stand on the track until the engine is nearly upon them. Only a few days ago one of these birds stood looking at the engine until it was upon her then she stepped onto the nose of the cowcatcher, went in under the engine and was killed.

#### Knew all About Guns.

A man who wanted to find a good place to go hunting made the remark that he knew all about guns. Upon being asked how he learned all about guns he said he was driving by a farmhouse one day when he saw a dog worrying a sheep. He called to inform the owners about the trouble and being informed that the men were away he took a gun that was hanging in the kitchen and went out to shoot the dog. He rested the gun over the fence, took good aim at the dog, shut his eyes and pulled the trigger. The gun went off in due time, the sheep dropped dead and the dog ran off. Of course he knew "all about guns."

#### Prefers to Hunt Web Feet.

Ex-President Cleveland still prefers to hunt ducks. They are popularly reckoned more juicy than bears, though a bear steak, done to a turn, is very good eating, after the bear has been caught. —Boston Herald.

#### The Skunk Was a Fur Boa

A wedding party a little out of Skowhegan village were detained about forty minutes the other night while on the way to the train.

Some of the party discovered what was supposed to be a large skunk directly in the middle of the road. The bride was dressed in a traveling suit of seal brown, trimmed with seal fur and she did not care to disturb his skunkship.

They waited until the moon was up when they could then see that the supposed skunk was a woman's fur boa that some lady had lost there, which looked so skunklike in the street.

#### Flint Knew What it Was.

Station Agent Flint, Ed Kempton, Elmer Weymouth, Joe Boston and Jarvey Tyler had an experience with a wild animal near Farmington yard one day last week that they will not soon forget.

The animal ran into a sewer and Flint being a small man was sent in to drive him out.

When the "critter" came out at the other end, he ran up Boston's leg, at which Boston much terrified screamed, "it's a 'lucivee,' kill him boys." At this juncture, Kempton went to his rescue with a fence rail, exclaiming as he did so, "taint a 'lucivee,' it's a bob cat." Weymouth, as he sprang forward with crowbar upraised, knew what it was in a moment, for he sang out, "It's a wild-cat while Tyler, sticking his head up over a board pile, said somewhat excitedly after the animal was killed, "It's a mink, I knew it was all the time."

Elmer Voter bought the skin and made \$3.50 on it.

#### Deer Tame at Camp Crazy.

W. R. Vining and L. Jackman went out hunting Friday up just above True hill crossing. Looking across a small ravine they saw a deer about ten rods away in a small clearing. Jackman wanted to fire but Vining said, "hold on Jack, we can get nearer." They both had good rifles but Vining never having seen a deer before, thought perhaps they might catch him alive. So they both crept very stealthily around the hill, hoping that if he could not be caught they might get a safer shot, but while doing this, the deer vanished.

Failing to get a near shot, they came back home and Vining took his wife, and G. A. Dickey and his wife and went up to Camp Crazy where deer are tamer than in Strong.

#### Bear Too Heavy For the Tree.

A Phillips hunter caught a bear which after being caught climbed a tree, taking the trap and clog with him. The tree was a very tall, slim spruce and after getting up where the tree was not strong enough to hold so much weight, it broke off, letting the bear fall to the ground, where he was found dead the next morning, with the tree top tightly held in his embrace.

#### HUNTING WITHOUT GUIDE.

Game Warden Parks of Bridgewater Center recently arrested a Canadian who was hunting in Township D, near No. 9 lake, without a registered guide. The hunter was taken before a trial justice and fined \$40 and the costs which he paid.



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## WHAT ABOUT A LICENSE LAW?

The Bangor correspondent of the Boston Globe says:

Never has the need of a game license law been so fully and painfully impressed upon the real sportsmen, not only in Maine, but from out the state, as during the present season. Something must be done to stop the raids of the so-called "Ohio sportsmen" or compel them to contribute to the protection of the game they have been slaughtering by the wholesale, as has been done this season more than ever.

In view of the present conditions many people who have opposed a game license law on the ground that it will keep sportsmen from the state, are now the most enthusiastic supporters of a measure which will no doubt come up during the coming session of the Maine legislature, and is as sure to become a law.

The so called "Ohio sportsmen" are parties from the west numbering from twenty to fifty men, mostly railroad men, farmers and small merchants, who come to Maine for hunting. That is, they come expecting to take home game enough to defray all their expenses. They come into the state by the Canadian Pacific railroad and bring everything with them, even to the straw for the camp beds.

They put out no money more than is absolutely necessary. They hire two or three guides at the lowest possible rate, to clear the law, and drive the sharpest kind of bargains at all times. Recently a party of twenty put up at a half way camp, and when charged twenty cents each for meals and the same for lodging, made a prolonged kick at the price,

notwithstanding everything used in the camp had to be brought in eight miles over a tote road.

Arriving on the hunting ground, the parties deploy like an army of invasion and sweep over miles of territory advancing in skirmish line and shooting at everything alive which comes in range, making a fusillade which sounds like a Gatling gun in operation. Many square miles of choice hunting ground are literally devastated of all game of any kind by these raids.

Sportsmen from other camps are driven off the territory through fear of getting shot and because all the game is driven off for miles.

The invaders usually secure all the law allows, and something more, and with an entire baggage car loaded with moose and deer go home the way they come. The state gets not a penny in comparison with the game taken out.

The real sportsmen who come to the woods are liberal as a rule. They travel across the state of Maine railroads. They buy their supplies and much of their ammunition here. They give many orders to the taxidermists and employ many guides at a liberal compensation. They are willing to pay a license when it is understood that the money goes for the protection of the game.

It has been suggested that the license fee be made \$10. At this price a very satisfactory sum would result which would provide for salaries of additional wardens and many more violations of the game laws would be run down and punished. As it is the number of wardens is all too small to look after the vast stretch of the game region although the present force have detected and punished a number of violations of the law and turned a considerable sum into the state treasury.



## RANGELEY SPORTING NOTES.

[Special Correspondence to MAINE WOODS.]

RANGELEY, Nov. 25, 1902.

The past week, from a sportsman's point of view, has been conspicuous only by its lack of everything in the nature of sport. Day after day has been warm with an occasional shower, without even a crisp night and none of the would-be hunters care to take the chances on hunting by neglecting business, and in consequence no deer have been brought in.

On Sunday came a slight freeze and about an inch of snow, and people believed winter had set in, but alas, on Monday the same warm wind from the south destroyed it and converted the roads into nearly as bad a condition as ever. Those who are depending on open water and canoeing are surely very fortunate this season, but the still hunter is not in it.

Roland Wilbur killed a good nine-point buck south of the lake one day last week.

The distribution of fish from the Rangeley hatchery this fall was as follows: Kennebec stream, 10,500; Billy Soule, 6,500; Gull pond, 18,500; Loon lake, 3,000; Amos Ellis, 5,000; Round and Dodge pond, 20,000; Haley pond, 5,000; Quimby pond, 3,000; total, 74,800. We hope the above figures will tend to eradicate the misunderstanding that has existed with many of our summer visitors that the fish are not impartially distributed in the Rangeley lake waters.

A new sign bearing the word, "Taxidermist," appeared last week over the door of the residence of D. E. Heywood. Some fine deer heads are coming in from various parts of the country, but Rangeley is not contributing her share to the supply thus far.

C. L. Harnden has bought a nice lot of fur of Elmer Snowman and John J. Wilbur. There were mink, sable and muskrats in the lot, but the number taken was not made public. This is the first sale this fall, but the trapping is not yet over.

Eben and C. L. Harnden came up the lake on Monday with two large deer, which they had killed at their camp near Bald mountain. They were a large doe and buck.

Wilmot Patterson and Jim Wilcox were at the camp at the Boulders on Kennebec stream a few days last week. They each got a deer.

D. E. HEYWOOD.

## HUNTING GOSSIP IN PHILLIPS.

They are teiling now that Ernest Kennedy of Avon recently shot a big buck.

That Elmer Barker of New Vineyard shot a white goose last week that weighed 9½ pounds.

That Elmer Voter can trap skunks and mink as handily as he can punch tickets. That if that be so, it is well enough.

That the coons have not all been trapped yet.

That just three inches of snow would be hailed with delight by the hunters.

That one hunter saw a deer so large, he thought surely it was a moose and stood paralyzed, not even thinking of firing at the animal.

That one Massachusetts sportsman now realizes that we have all kinds of game here in Maine.

That Frank Harnden shot a noble buck at Madrid Centre last week.

That the prophets say he will shoot the mate to it sure before the season is closed.

## DEER IN WEST PHILLIPS.

Ben Pierson, Jr., of Boston has visited his parents recently in No. 6. Ben comes home every fall after his deer. This fall he brought home with him Wm. Holland, Harry Stone and Geo. A. Clark. This was the first trip that these three last gentlemen ever took to Maine. They all live in Massachusetts and they think Franklin county can't be beat for game, as they each took home with them a good sized deer. Ben shot a 200-pound buck which had an uncommon fine head which he took home. This party was very much pleased with their success and expressed a desire to visit the same place another fall, and one of the party promised not to swap hats with the guides on the border.

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## DID NOT GET A SHOT AT BEAR.

Although the president failed to shoot a bear on his recent Mississippi hunting trip he very much enjoyed his outing and speaks in the highest terms of the hospitality that was accorded him.

The bear that was killed by the party, also a deer, were shipped to Washington on the special train.

The last day the party was there the dogs got a fresh trail of a bear and the president with his guide, Holt Collier, followed it six miles taking them to the Big Sunflower river. It was then one o'clock, so they were obliged to give up the chase, on account of previous arrangements which had been made that were to break camp at 2.30.

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[Special correspondence to MAINE WOODS.]

RANGELEY, Nov. 24, 1902.

The workmen, who have been engaged in building and repairing at Munyon Springs finished their work for the time and came away on Saturday. The writer was by courtesy of A. J. Haley recently shown around the premises to observe the improvements that have been made during the summer and fall. When Munyon Springs is completed it will be decidedly an elegant hotel and an ornament to the Rangeley lakes region.

It looks good to see buildings going up with an eye to the future and under the management of one who is both master of architecture and workmanship. All the plans have been drawn by A. J. Haley and several features for the first time have been introduced.

Two new cottages have been built, one of which is quite small and built of peeled logs. It presents the appearance from the outside of being built of logs, but it has a smooth surface on the interior.

The other and larger cottage is the one, however, that deserves special mention. Standing as it does upon columns built of granite and cement, the twelve foot piazza extends all around it and on the front overhangs the water nearly its whole width. The building is covered wall and roof with cedar shingles and the under side of the piazza, as well as the posts and arches are also shingled.

At the back side or main entrance are double doors, while the front one is single. In the centre of the room stands a stone fireplace, ten feet long with an opening six feet wide and three feet high, built on a half circle. The stone work is excellent and the material was selected from along the lake shore. This room is twelve feet high and sheathed throughout with birch, with ash trimmings. All the floors are of yellow birch. The stairway leading to the second floor is of oak with birch treads and risers. There are three flights of three, four and seven steps before the second floor is reached. There is labor enough in this stairway to build a small dwelling house.

On the second floor is a good sized landing where a stove will be placed for use in cool weather. This landing is all finished in ash and will accommodate a large party. There are four rooms on this floor, the two back ones being sheathed in ash and those in front with birch. There is a good porch on this floor, twenty-four feet above the water. The walls are nine feet high. This floor is provided with a bathroom with running water.

The third floor is similar to the second one but only eight foot walls and the rooms are considerably cut up by the roof windows and the porch is much smaller than those below.

The building is provided with both gas pipes and wires for lighting purposes, it not yet having been decided which will be in use. No paint has been used in finishing but all the grains are well brought out by the use of varnish and plenty of sandpaper.

Owing to the scarcity of labor this cottage will not be wholly finished this fall but work will be resumed early in the spring.

Professor Munyon has caused to be built a rustic summer house, eighteen feet across, of octagon shape and very artistic fancy in crooked cedar limbs. The work in this structure alone is estimated at \$250. There is a spring in the centre that will be covered with glass.

Two more cottages and a hotel 64x124 feet will be built next summer to the east of the other buildings. Mr. Haley is now working on the plan of the hotel. At present he thinks it will be composed of three floors and about forty sleeping rooms.

The crew, consisting of A. J. Haley, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Haley, George Wakely, Harry Haley, Will Smith, Will Millett and Roland Smith are preparing to start for Palm Beach, Florida, sometime next week, where they will work for Professor Munyon during the winter on some building of his at that place.

D. E. H.

## FEW INCHES OF SNOW NEEDED.

Hundreds of hunters now in Maine would like very much to see a few inches of snow just enough to cover the ground—for as it is now it is impossible to travel in the woods without making a good deal of noise, which is sure to frighten any game even at a long distance away.

What is particularly needed just now is two or three inches of light snow which would enable the hunters to track their game and not make but very little noise in doing it.

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## TOMMY TREED BY THE BUCK.

Tommy Salisbury of Benton Falls, a lad of thirteen years, was out in the woods with his father hunting a few days ago. The woods were well known to both father and son and not expecting to see anything larger than partridges and grey squirrels, they took simply their shotguns along.

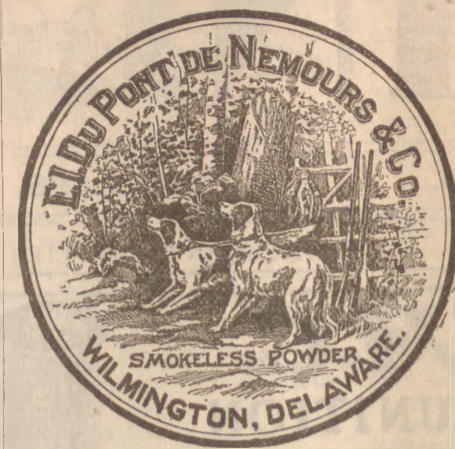
Arriving at the edge of the woods Mr. Salisbury took one wood road and the boy another. As Tommy was walking along slowly and quietly to prevent making a noise, a rustling in the leaves behind him caused him to turn around, and in the road over which he had just travelled was an enormous buck deer charging down upon him. Quick as thought Tommy "shinned" a tree which was near at hand, but at the same time did not lose the grip upon his gun. The deer rushed up to the tree and commenced to hook it and at the same time to strike heavy blows with his fore feet upon the ground. Tommy, very calmly fired several charges into the animal, each time only serving to increase his rage. He shot away what ammunition he had and then awaited results.

Mr. Salisbury, hearing the shooting, thought he would go over and see what Tommy was firing at. Imagine his surprise when he found Tommy quarantined by a deer. Hastily putting in a buckshot charge he selected his position and fired, killing the old buck instantly. It was found that Tommy had seriously disabled the animal before his father arrived.

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[Special correspondence to MAINE WOODS.]

DEAD RIVER, Nov. 25, 1902.

Two hunters who reached Dead River dam last Thursday had quite an experience the night before. The men had been in the woods for two weeks' hunting. They were in the vicinity of Spencer stream and Holmes had shot a doe which had taken to the stream after being wounded. Holmes plunged into the stream after his prize, but was immediately taken off his feet by the swift undertow. He fought manfully against the swift current for a long time and at last grabbed a big rock and clung on until finally he was rescued by Adams.

They were several miles from camp and the matches which they had in their pockets were all wet. They started for camp, but before traveling a great ways, Holmes was suddenly taken with chills and could go no farther. Adams at once started for camp, leaving his companion until he could obtain help. He reached the camp all right but was himself immediately seized with cramps and chills. By dint of great suffering and exertion, however, he piloted two men who were at the camp, named Burleigh and Roberts, to the place where he had left Holmes. On arriving there, Adams was utterly exhausted and in as bad shape as Holmes. A camp fire was soon built right there in the woods. The two sick men were rolled in blankets and the two helpers watched all night with their sick friends. In the early morning the sick men were able with the kindly assistance of Burleigh and Roberts to get to the camp, where they remained in a bad condition until towards night, when they were removed to Smith's camp a short distance above.

## AUGUSTA CHAT.

Information has been received at the office of the commissioners of inland fisheries and game that a registered guide, his brother, a sickly wife and a boy 14 years of age, stopped at the Philbrook farm, near the big Schoodic lake in Piscataquis county, and, last week, shot four bull moose. One of the moose was shipped to Brownville in the wife's name and one in the name of the boy. The other two moose were sold to Haskell & Brown, the keepers of a sporting camp in the vicinity where the party stopped. The commissioners do not believe the woman and the boy shot either animal. The matter is being investigated.

Last year there were 1,800 guides registered in the state. The record for this year has just been completed and it is found that a gain of one has been made over the number registered last year. There are 1,801 registered for 1902.

## FUNERAL OF HON. P. O. VICKERY

The funeral services over the remains of the late Hon. P. O. Vickery took place at the Winthrop Street Universalist church, Wednesday forenoon of last week, in the presence of a large concourse of mourning relatives and friends from all over the state of Maine. Rev. C. A. Hayden, pastor of the church, officiated. The services were held under the direction of Trinity Commandery, Knights Templar, and were very impressive. During the hour of the funeral service business was generally suspended throughout the city.

The honorary pall bearers were Hon. Edwin C. Burleigh, Hon. Frederick Robie, Hon. Stephen W. Carr and Hon. L. T. Carleton.

The members of the legislative committee in attendance were Senators Rutillus Alden, Kennebec; George E. Morrison, York and Albert Pierce, Waldo, and Representatives Edwin C. Dudley, Augusta; James W. Brackett, Phillips; F. O. Beal, Bangor, and Cyrus W. Davis, Waterville.

Hon. S. M. Bird, Portland; Hon. Thomas White and Hon. Charles E. Field, Bangor, and Mrs. J. R. Smith, Litchfield, members of the board of trustees of the Maine Insane hospitals, were present, besides a large number of state officials and many business men of Augusta and other cities.

The floral tributes were unusually profuse. They covered nearly the entire space in front of the pulpit back of where the casket rested, and presented a beautiful appearance.

## CARRY POND CAMPS.

[Special correspondence to the MAINE WOODS.]

CARRY POND, Nov. 25, 1902.

The past ten days' hunting at Carry Pond Camps have surpassed any previous season. We have had no use for doe deer and they have been allowed to go free.

Mr. Angus Moebus and son of New York secured four fine bucks, the largest that were ever taken here. Their antlers had a spread of from 18 to 23 inches with eleven points.

C. W. Goodale, wife and son of York Village were in camp ten days. Mr. Goodale securing two fine bucks. Mr. John Tuttle of York Village also secured two fine bucks.

Mr. E. L. Hersom of Fitchburg is in camp and is waiting for his friend to secure his second buck, Mr. Hersom having two fine ones.

Mr. John Woolfenden has just brought in his second buck.

The view artist, Mr. L. R. Hussey of Bingham, has been here taking views of the fine string of deer. Thirteen bucks were strung up at one time—eleven with large antlers. This picture of big bucks will no doubt be seen in the near future.



KINNE'S CAMPS AT LITTLE BIG WOOD POND.

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DOGS THAT CHASED DEER.

Game Warden John R. Pollard of Winslow killed a dog in Vassalboro a few days ago. Two farmers saw a deer near their buildings just at dusk. They both took their rifles and went out hoping to get a shot at it. They both fired at the deer and feeling sure they must have wounded the animal so it would not go far, called to a boy to bring a lantern, after which they began a search for the deer.

As the boy came out with the light a fine Shepherd dog followed him and all of a sudden bounded into the woods. Some persons who heard the barking and knowing of the presence of the deer, entered complaint to Warden Pollard that the farmers were dogging deer. Warden Pollard killed the dog the next day.

Lafayette Bushey, William Grondin and King Gulliver of Waterville were recently arraigned before Trial Justice Field at Oakland, on the charge of having hunted deer with a dog on Sunday Nov. 9. They were brought before the court by Game Warden Fred Clarke of Smithfield. The examination for the state was conducted by Judge Field, and F. W. Clair, Esq., of Waterville appeared for the respondents.

The court found Bushey and Grondin guilty and fined them each \$40 and costs. Gulliver was discharged.

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GAME IS ALL OVER MAINE.

Mr. W. N. Akers and son, Irving, of Andover, who live in No. 4, had good luck recently by shooting three deer close by their home.

A party of four, who camped on Sawyer brook near C. pond for a few days, were highly successful in their efforts for they came out Nov. 22, with six beautiful deer. The party consisted of Walter Sessions, Sam Sessions of Milton, Albert Bowker of Bryant's Pond and one other gentleman unknown to the writer.


WELD SPORTING NOTES.

Messrs. Arthur and Henry Coburn, Truman Masterman and Bert Brown have gone to the Dead River region hunting. They started Monday of last week.

Mr. A. G. Masterman went out with his hound last Saturday morning and brought down a large fox before noon.

Mr. Louis Judkins killed a fine deer recently.

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As Mr. Emery Bubier of Phillips, Percie Rose and Oliver Rose of Greene, and Ernest Thayer of Brockton, Mass., were hunting in the woods in the vicinity of Dead River station, a number of miles from any habitation last week, they found a house cat in a trap. They released the animal and took it to camp, where it remained the mascot of the party during their stay.

On the evening of the second day of the arrival of this same party at camp, no game save the cat having been taken, two of the hunters remained out until quite dark, the other two going to camp some time before. The camp is situated within a few rods of the railroad track. The two at camp had heard some shooting away down the track, so lighting the lantern, they started out to reconnoiter. They listened intently and soon heard heavy breathing and puffing and a dragging sound on the gravel of the railroad as if something heavy was being pulled along. "They've got one, they've got one," exclaimed Mr. Ernest Thayer of Brockton, Mass. "Let's go and help drag it in." So away they went down the track on the dead run. Approaching a little nearer, Oliver sang out, "Have you got one, boys?" "Yes," was the reply, "we've got one." "Good," said Thayer. The lantern was left and Oliver and Ernest hustled along to help drag the game. A piece of the rope was thrown out to them, and taking it over their shoulders, they commenced tugging away and pulling like good fellows, while Emery and Percie

hung back on the rope. "He must be a big one by the way he hauls. How far back did you shoot him," said Thayer. Arriving at the place where the lantern was left, Oliver remarked that a rest was in order and that a look be taken at the game. "Is it a big buck or a doe," inquired Thayer, as the suggestion to rest was agreed to. "Yes," answered Percie. The lantern was held around so a good view could be taken of the noble animal, when a little inferior rabbit was found at the nether end of the string. Two sheepish looking men? Yes.

COSTLY HAWK FATTENING.

[Special correspondence to the Maine Woods. MT. VERNON, Nov. 24, 1902.]

A moose was recently seen about three miles from the village.

Hovey Luce has secured twelve foxes this fall. He got ten during the month of October.

Our veteran skunk killer, Mr. Fred Robinson, dug six of the little animals out of one hole.

Warren Webber is thinning out the grey squirrels.

Berlin Webber is fattening a large hawk on chickens.

A large white bird was seen here a short time ago, which was supposed to be an Arctic owl.

SHORE LOTS SOLD.

Mr. John A. Decker has recently sold two lots on the shore of Mooselookme-guntic lake, one to Judge J. W. Symonds of Portland and the other to Mr. Charles Sumner Cook of the same city.

"MOOSE" WASN'T A MOOSE.

Story From Lobster Lake Was a Joke Says Gray.

Horse Figures In One of the Sensations of the Season.

Few, indeed, are the people of Maine who have not heard of the specter moose of Lobster lake. For several years now each fall has seen several tales of this moose sprung upon the public, while the space writers for the Boston and New York papers have reaped a harvest selling those journals wonderful and improbable tales of the doings of this moose which, according to all descriptions, is a giant in size as well as being a specter. So many times has the story of this moose been told that most people have come to accept it as a fact, and among the number are some of those who tell it, yet it is a hoax of the greatest kind, for the man who first told the story says so himself and tells how he came to perpetrate the joke upon the sportsmen and others who have listened to and believed the various stories but he adds in telling the story: "I never supposed that any such lies would be told about the animal, as have been."

It is probable that the true story of the Lobster lake moose would not have been told for a long time to come had it not been that some enterprising sportsman who came out of the woods wanted to get a good story into the papers and so gave a reporter a stupendous yarn about the doings of the specter moose. This story was being discussed up in the workroom of the S. L. Crosby company the other day when a Bangor Daily News reporter entered. The discussion became general and finally Granville Gray, one of the men at work there and a registered guide of many years' experience, who had been smiling all through the talk, spoke up and said: "That is a great joke."

"What's a great joke?" asked one of his companions.

Why that story of the specter moose of Lobster lake. Didn't you ever hear the true story? No? Well, I didn't suppose you ever had for it has never been told until now, and I am going to tell it, that is if you wish to hear it."

Wish to hear it! Of course they did, every man, for there was not one present who did not enjoy, next to a day's shooting in the woods, a good story of

the woods. Having their assurance that they wanted to know the truth of this famous moose, Mr. Gray told the following story:

"It occurred some years ago. I was guiding Mr. J. H. Dwight and family of Chicago in the Lobster lake region. He was president of one of the banks of that city and I guided him and his family for five years. We had been in the woods for some time when the events which resulted in the story of the specter moose took place and many times since, when I have heard, as today, the moose discussed, I have had to laugh and several times have been severely tempted to tell the story, but have resisted the temptation.

"One day, after we had been in camp for a while, Miss Florence, daughter of Mr. Dwight, wished to take a trip along the shores of the lake, and taking her in a canoe we started. We didn't hurry much, for she was interested in the scenery along the shore and didn't wish for speed. As we went along I saw what I took to be a big bull moose feeding in the woods near the shore. I called Miss Dwight's attention and she, too, saw him.

"For a moment we watched and then the animal moved—

"When it did we found that instead of a moose it was a big black horse.

"Then we went ashore and ascertained that it was one of a pair belonging at the lumber camp of John Ross, situated near by. It had been hitched where we saw it, while the driver was using its mate for some other work.

"As it stood in one particular position the branches of the trees gave it every appearance of a gigantic moose with tremendous antlers. The horse was again placed in that position and Miss Dwight made a photograph of the animal. On our return to camp we told Mr. Dwight about it and he visited the place and witnessed the illusion, as did Mr. Ross and others.

"As a joke we decided to tell the story of the giant moose of Lobster lake, but not to tell what it was or how it originated. This we did and from it has sprung all of the remarkable fables which have filled hunting and lumber camps and big newspapers for a number of years now. And that is the true story of the specter moose of Lobster Lake."—Bangor News.

SPORTSMEN'S SHOW.

Ninth Annual Under Auspices of National Sportsmen's Ass'n.

The ninth annual Sportsmen's show will open at Madison Square Garden, New York City, Saturday, February 21, 1903, and continue until Saturday, March 7, 1903.

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Although no announcement has been made up to date, inquiries for space have been received for months past; it is necessary therefore to make early application, as allotments will be made, according to date of receipt of application.

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## Hunters' License Question.

We believe that our fish and game commissioners are in a better position than anyone else to judge of the needs in their own department. They tell us that they must have more money or they cannot properly protect our moose and deer. We know they are correct in this. More money must be provided in some way.

We would favor an appropriation of a few thousand dollars for that purpose. If such an appropriation cannot be secured—and we do not believe that it can—it will, undoubtedly, be wise to take a step—a very short step—in the direction of raising the additional money that is needed, by selling the privilege of shooting our big game. It is absolutely necessary, however, that whatever is done shall be inaugurated in a very conservative way. It is necessary in view of things that may develop later, that those who recommend a change of any kind in the fish and game laws, stand upon ground that they know to be safe.

The people of Maine are, as a rule, agreeable to any reasonable proposition looking toward the further development of the great fish and game industry, but it is our opinion that they are not in a mood to tolerate any arrangement that may give an impression that the legislature of this state has little else to do but to readjust our fish and game laws.

It is of the utmost importance that no proposition be made to the next legislature that will bring about a bitter fight. However distasteful it may be to admit it, we ought to bear in mind the fact that there are not many men, comparatively speaking, who take especial interest in fish and game preservation. The others have usually consented to the suggestions that have been brought forward by their enthusiastic friends, admitting in a general way, that it is perhaps all for the best.

The best interests of the whole state should have the first consideration in anything that is done. There is strenuous opposition to the general tax proposition on the part of many guides and camp owners. They are afraid of it. The friendship of these men is very important. Anything that would create a breach between the guides and the fish and game department—no matter who might be right in the controversy—would make the commissioners' work less efficient.

We believe there is a way to raise a few thousand dollars—probably six to ten thousand a year—that would meet with favor among those who are most vitally interested, viz., the camp owners and guides.

Our suggestion is that the moose hunters pay a small fee. We do not believe that one camp owner, or one sportsman who hunts moose would object to this. We do not believe that any less moose hunters would visit us on account of it. It goes without saying that the members of the legislature who do not feel interested in fish and game will vote for a hunters' tax law in whatever form it may be presented.

If a moose hunters' tax and nothing more is exacted, those who might go into the woods without a license would not dare to shoot moose. We would then have wardens to look after them.

The guides—who after all, are the men who will eventually protect the game in this state, if it is ever protected as it should be—would have an incentive for not allowing deer hunters to kill moose. There are several reasons for this. One reason is that the moose hunters are the best customers the guides have. They often pay more than "scale" rates. They usually stay in the woods longer than deer hunters stay. They are, as a rule, well to do men who hunt every year.

If moose hunters buy a license, guides will not allow unlicensed hunters to shoot moose. Camp owners will be very careful to protect the moose for the big paying customers. The whole thing must come down to a business proposition. There is no room for sentiment in it.

We know several hundred men in this state who depend entirely upon anglers and hunters for the support of themselves and their families. For years, the state has said to these men, "You can go into the Maine woods lease or buy some land, build one or more camps, such as you can afford, then induce hunters and others to come to your place for sport and recreation. You shall be protected in your business so far as the state can furnish protection. Everything possible to encourage additional business shall be done in future as it has been done in the past." Some of these camp owners have all of their earthly possessions in their log camps. They know that a deer license law may put them in a position where there is danger of their losing a part of the business which they have worked hard to establish. If a license law is made general in its effect, there will be a sudden reduction, if not an absolute stop, to the increase of camps for taking care of deer hunters. Some of the fishing resorts must also cease to grow, for very many deer shooting resorts cater also to anglers to some extent.

There are comparatively few camps in moose territory. There is little room for enlargement in the moose hunting districts unless it is among men who will cater largely to deer hunters as well. They know who the moose hunters are. They know something about who their customers are and who they can depend upon. A moose hunters' tax will not discourage anybody's business.

The Maine Sportsmen's Fish and Game association will meet in Bangor on December 10. The question of a hunters' license will be the leading thing discussed. We sincerely hope the association will not be committed to the proposition of exacting a general hunters' license law. We hope they will be willing to take the first step first, and learn more about the subject before going further.

If there are any moose hunters, camp owners, guides or others who would object to a moose hunters' license—provided it is impossible to have a larger appropriation for fish and game—we would be glad to have them say so through the columns of MAINE WOODS and give their reasons. We will never be quite sure what the true feeling is, until those interested take full advantage of all chances to discuss the question. Write to MAINE WOODS, stating your views fully and frankly and we promise ample space in our columns whether the opinions agree with our own or not.

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EMPEROR WILLIAM has many queer ideas and not the least queer among them are his ideas of "sport." When he goes out into his game preserves for a day's shooting it means the wholesale killing of dozens of deer and hundreds of birds. There are beaters who drive the game to the place where he is waiting in comfort; servants who load his guns and bring in the slaughtered game and all he does is to stand still, or sit still, and aim his gun. It would be a punishable crime for any member of the royal party to get as much game as the Emperor. Nothing could be more unsportsmanlike than such an expedition, and nobody can imagine Theodore Roosevelt playing such a part.—Kennebec Journal.

That stunned grizzly tied to a tree that President Roosevelt refused to shoot would have afforded William great "sport."

## SEBAGO LAKE SALMON.

[Special correspondence to MAINE WOODS.]

NORTH WINDHAM, Nov. 25, 1902.

There are many large salmon showing up on all the salmon spawning beds about the lake, and as the outlet of the lake is now screened so no more fish can go down the river, we look for a steady improvement in the fishing every year in the future. There are the finest salmon in Sebago lake of any known lake and this fact is not generally known among sportsmen. Anyone coming to this lake from the time the ice breaks until June 30, stands a great deal more than an even chance to land a salmon above 10 pounds in weight, to say nothing about the smaller ones. There are many salmon in Sebago above 20 pounds in weight. The largest yet landed with hook and line to my knowledge was brought to my camp by H. N. Pinkham of Portland, weight 18½ pounds. There are lots more for the lucky ones.

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## THE BANGOR LETTER.

[Special correspondence to MAINE WOODS.]

BANGOR, Nov. 25, 1902.

Everybody in Maine is, of course, familiar with either the sight or use of the baggy looking boots and shoes called moccasins, which in winter form the principle and favorite footwear of our lumbermen, farmers and other men whose work is out-of-doors, and during the hunting season of the guides and sportsmen who tramp through the great northern forests. These unique boots have a history which dates back to the middle of the last century. The material is common leather, but tanned in a peculiar way. The principal ingredients in the tanning mixture are salt and alum, with some kind of oil; the method is something of a secret and is known to but few. Leather thus tanned was first used for lacing for belts in mills, and it was used in this capacity only for some time before its valuable properties for boot and shoe material were discovered.

In 1851 A. P. Baldwin, who kept a shoe store in this city on Kenduskeag bridge, obtained some of the leather from Davis & Co., Pawtucket, R. I., where most of the tanning was done at that time, and began the manufacture of moccasins. In 1852 the business had increased considerably, and in that year David Spaulding began the business in Old Town, and Mr. Fuller and others also started in the manufacture of the odd, clumsy looking footwear. The work in those days was of a very crude nature, far behind that of today in finish and style. The demand kept increasing, and in 1855 John Clarke of New Sharon, Franklin county, came to Bangor and engaged William Burrill, one of the pioneers in the business, to superintend his factory in the former place. The first shipment to the west, a part of the country which has always furnished a great part of the demand, was sent by Clarke, who was then sheriff of Franklin county, to Dubuque, Iowa. Several Bangor parties then went into the business upon a large scale, and the trade increased rapidly until the opening of the Rebellion. In 1858 the manufacture became established upon a permanent basis, and four Bangor firms were actively engaged in it. These firms were Thomas Hersey, J. O'B. Darling, Wm. Magnusson and E. A. Buck & Co.; all four continued until the latter part of the seventies, when they were merged into two concerns, E. A. Buck & Co. and J. O'B. Darling. These two continued to do business until the year 1880, when the Darling company went out of business, leaving the E. A. Buck & Co.'s factory the only one in the city. This concern is still doing business in Exchange street, where it has a large four-story factory.

In 1871 the mode of manufacturing was revolutionized to a great extent by the advent of improved machinery and ideas. The cut of the leg was altered so as to bring the seam upon the side instead of at the back, and the seam itself, which formerly was sown in such a manner as to make an unsightly and uncomfortable ridge in the leg superseded by the "flat lap" seam, by which the ends of the leather are lapped one over the other and the projection obviated, the tongue, or tip, corresponding to the "upper" in a boot, was also improved by being pressed into shape by machinery. Thus the boot, which before was quite unsightly, was made comparatively good looking as well as much more comfortable and serviceable. The improvements created a large demand and marked an important point in the history of the moccasin.

The boot is made of three parts, known as the leg, tongue and bottom. The two latter pieces of the leather are cut out nowadays by dies and the former section by hand, with a pattern. A great deal of the sewing is let out at so

much a dozen pairs to French Canadian families, many of whom live in the vicinity of the "red bridge" district, so called, near the water works. There are besides the boots a great many shoes made, and in the manufacture of both, considerable of what is known as "russet" leather is used for the legs. The Canadian moccasin differs somewhat in make from ours and some of them are made here.

As at the time of the founding of the moccasin making business here in Bangor the greater part of stock still comes from the place of its origin, the state of Rhode Island, although considerable is now tanned here in Bangor.

Bangor is a great centre of the business. A few are made in St. John, N. B., and the business was once carried on in a small way in Calais and Haverhill, Mass., and it is now a good business at Monmouth, Me. At Red Wing and St. Paul, Minn., and Racine, Wis., the manufacture is quite extensive.

Just why the boot is called moccasin does not appear, except it is christened from the snake of that name on account of the resemblance of the color of the leather to that of the reptile.

The tanning renders the leather a perfect non-conductor to water and to a considerable degree a non conductor of heat and cold. Being thus impervious to water and cold, the moccasin is a favorite with all who have to be out in deep snows and cold weathers of northern winters. Then the ease to the foot and the space allowed for two or more pairs of stockings and inner soles without cramping the feet and preventing free circulation of the blood is a great argument in its favor and gives it a higher place in the estimation of all as winter footwear.

In addition to the manufacture of the regular moccasin E. A. Buck & Co. make a line of regular hunting shoes, which are in some ways an outgrowth of the moccasin which has a high reputation with sportsmen, mining and railroad engineers.

A story of the moccasin would not be quite complete without a reference to one business that sprung up from it, flourished for a few years and then died. This is the manufacture of the "wig-wam" slipper. This slipper had its origin in Bangor and was first produced about the year 1885 or 86. It sprang rapidly into favor with the public all over the country and in three years there were four firms engaged in the business. It continued to flourish until 1888, when the business began to slump and the year 1892 saw it at an end. While it lasted it furnished employment to nearly a thousand persons and was a big money maker.

## STONY BROOK GAME BRIEFS.

[Special correspondence to Maine Woods.]

STONY BROOK, STRATTON,  
Nov. 25, 1902.

Mr. Harry Hinds found the remains of a young cow moose in the woods here the other day. Game Warden Phillips of Stratton was immediately notified, who came here and viewed the carcass, what was left of it. A large share of it had been eaten by bears, foxes and other wild animals, but enough was left to show distinctly that the animal had been shot through the body and in such a way that she might have travelled a long distance after being wounded.

W. E. Dill shot a doe one day last week.

Edwin Wescott and George Davis of Madison were in town last week hunting. Mr. Wescott secured a deer.

Mr. George L. Clarke and friend, Mr. Healey of Lewiston have been here hunting. Mr. Healey shot a doe.

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## HOTELS AND CAMPS



## A BEAVER TALE.

What of "Black Edward"? Just one word's enough.

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YOU see it's this way. A visit to the Rangeley Lake region without a little run up to Beaver pond is as rank a failure as half a pair of scissors, or the hole of a doughnut with the dough gone. Yes, "Ging up to Ed's" is like smoking opium. Why, or "wars"—it grows upon you; and the man who once sets his happy foot on the shores of old "Beaver" is as certain to return as—as well as a punched "quarter."

What do you do when you get there? Most people fish, others tramp those glorious old trails and just soak their hearts and minds in the delights of mountain, lake and forest; for at Ed's remember, we're in the sure-enough backwoods.

Now as to the fishing, a word or two. Guides talk, notwithstanding, I have never yet found 5 and 10-pound trout plenty enough to be monotonous—never have, but the reasonable man with a fair idea of the proper dissemination of "feathers"—if he chance also to be a true sportsman, could ask nothing better.

Within easy reach of Ed's doors lie (even nature "lies" up there—I wonder why?) 5 or 6 lakes in which the fly fishing is simply "great," and I say this after having fished every damn spot in that region many times.

Take "Ell Pond," for instance, around the bend among the pines, or "Little Island" with a gentle ripple about sundown. Such incessant "rise," and such a run of fish marks that charming little pond as the acme of fly fishing possibilities.

What is there for the "Man behind the gun" up there? Simply this. In the open season he can easily get all the deer the law allows him, and will also find "Ruffed Grouse" (i. e. "Partridge") in abundance. With Moose, Bear and Caribou the case is that of those 5 and 10-pound trout, they do not actually "hang around the door yards."

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The first step for those who would like to see for themselves how much actual truth there is in all of the above, is to address  
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WRITTEN BY FRANCIS H. MAULE, 402 BANSON STREET, PHILADELPHIA.

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TRAPS AND TRAPPERS.

Fox Skins Law.

NEW PORTLAND, Nov. 21, 1902.

*Editor Traps and Trappers Department:*  
The red fox situation this year is causing a great deal of uneasiness among fur dealers and trappers as the principal catch is fox. The condition of the trade at this date is not encouraging. Manufacturers have met with comparatively no sale at all on fox goods, owing in a measure to the warm weather and to long furred furs going out of favor with all stylish and up to date women, who have adopted short furs, especially mink, which at the present time are very high.

If the stock of manufactured fox goods do not move freely within the next few weeks, I have not the least doubt but what that article will go back to near its old time price. On the other hand if the manufacturers are fortunate and sell out their stocks, it will help out a great deal. There are ten skins this year where there was one last and what is more they are nearly all of the low grades, caught early and unprime, while never worth anywhere near full price they have a tendency to cause lower prices on full furred skins. My advice to all trappers of fox is to sell their skins as soon as possible. While I do not pose as a prophet, I am satisfied that the already weak and fluctuating market will result in a large loss to trappers and fur dealers. While the loss will be more likely to fall more heavily on the latter party it will cause large anticipations to pass like a cloud with some trappers who hold their furs.

N. C. BURBANK.

BEARS AND BEARS.

It is frequently stated, and with honest conviction I have no doubt, that bears are very savage and dangerous animals to meet in the woods. It might be so, if you were ever to meet one, but you might travel in the woods a lifetime and you never will meet one, for he will be as glad to get out of your way as you are glad to have him go. Even as plenty as bears are in the wilds of Maine a hunter must be on the alert generally to get a shot at him. Of course, if he is wounded or cornered, he will fight, and his being so strong and powerful it is the safest way to keep out of his reach.

Mr. Luther Toothaker of Phillips, before he was taken lame used to be a trapper of the sly fox to quite an extent, even before the modern fox scents were in vogue. He set three traps one night and going to them in the morning found a fox in each of the first two. He set them again and went to look at the third. When he returned he found another fox in one of the traps he had set but a short time previous.

He once caught a bear in a fox trap, having a toe nail of his bearship between the jaws of the trap as evidence.

A deer got into one of his traps and hung the trap twenty rods into the woods. There being a little snow he could easily track the deer so he could tell that the animal did not go nearer to where he found the trap than the distance stated.

Mr. E. H. Kenniston of Phillips trapped four prime fishers recently. Trappers are in luck this season for the fur bearing animals are plenty, their feed is a little shy and they are taking bait exceedingly well in Maine.

NOVEMBER FUR MARKET.

**BEAR**—The finest haired bears and cubs are all that are really being called for in America now. The majority of the skins are ruling at low prices. Those killed early, of course run lower than those taken later in the season.

**WILD-CAT**—Not very much call for wild-cat just now in this country. Not many in the market as yet.

**SILVER FOX**—This has advanced 20 per cent. A perfect skin, black or dark silver, is a fancy article and will bring a fancy price, but no one need expect the top price for an imperfect or unprime skin.

**CROSS FOX**—There is this peculiarity about cross fox, that unless it is a particularly fine skin, one will not receive much more money for it than for red fox.

**RED FOX**—Have declined somewhat. The demand has been great, not only in this country but in Europe. The market has turned somewhat and red fox is liable to rule lower.

**GREY FOX**—Remains unchanged. Not much call for them here or abroad. They are safe enough at present prices and are liable to go higher.

**LYNX**—Are slightly on the decline. They are very fashionable and are selling high now, but no further advance need be looked for. Probably in the spring there will be a large stock in the market, consequently may sell for lower prices.

**MARTEN**—Very fashionable in Europe and America and prices remain unchanged. Prices were high last season, although large numbers were caught. This will be repeated this year as soon as the cold weather comes on.

**MINK**—This is fashionable both across the water and here. Mink are very high which will tend to increase the catch.

**MUSKRAT**—Spring rat has moved upward 20 per cent, making up for what it fell off in June. The fall catch remains the same. There is a fair call for muskrat here and in Europe.

**OTTER**—Have declined materially. Last season they sold very high all over the world. Otter is always wanted in this country, but manufacturers will cull closer this year than last.

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**RACCOON**—Run very high both at home and abroad. Prime skins are standard for dyeing. The other grades are made into men's coats. A great call will be made for raccoon, if prices do not rule too high.

**SKUNK**—Are the same as in June, but 15 per cent lower than at the March sales. The large majority of skunk must be used in this country and the demand is very light. Will go lower than last year.

**WEASEL**—Demand fair for white and winter caught. Prices unchanged.

PUMPED OUT EVERY ONE.

The railroad boys on the Phillips & Rangeley railroad have not and never will forget the time that the section boss, Mr. Ira Russell did the pumping act. Mr. Russell used always in open season to carry his rifle on the bandcar and on this particular morning, on looking up the track, in the distance espied a deer which had evidently just come out onto the railroad track.

Seizing his rifle he started up the track on the run. The deer stood his ground, letting Russell get within seven rods, when Russell thought it was about time to shoot. Instead of doing so he just stood right there and "pumped" the whole magazineful of cartridges on to the ground. By this time the old buck "pumped" himself into the woods, leaving Ira to pick up his cartridges.

COBBOSSEECONTEE SALMON.

Large numbers of salmon have been seen at the outlet of Lake Cobbosseecontee and only prevented by the screen there from going down stream never to return to the lake. The wardens at that resort have reported seeing salmon there recently weighing fourteen pounds.

The commissioners of inland fisheries and game have, it is understood, made arrangements to strip them and place the eggs in the hatchery. A 4-pounder went into the weir at the south end of the lake a few days ago.

WOMEN IN THE WOODS

LETTER FROM MRS. FREESE.

Woman Guide Writes Interestingly of Women In the Woods.

RIVERTON, Nov. 22, 1902.

*Editor Women In the Woods Column:*

Many think that the beautiful forest should be given up to the male sex entirely, and if hunting must be done, that it should be attended to by man alone. I have been argued with a great many times about hunting and paddling a canoe. There is one woman in town who used to say I neglected my friends for the sake of hunting and fishing. Last fall she told me that she used to think it dreadful for me to hunt and kill deer but now she thought it all right, for the papers were full of accounts of women in the woods hunting and killing game. She further said that she wished she was younger so that she could go with me.

Now, my lady friends, the hunting is not all there is to it. There is no more healthful exercise than a tramp in the woods of Maine, where one may be free and untrammelled and surrounded by all that is beautiful in nature and produced by nature's God. It is not only conducive to health and vigor, but its educational advantages are many. It places one in touch with the beauties, novelties, freedom and solitude found every day in the forests of the Pine Tree state.

I am 27 years old and have been in the woods on many occasions. I always take my rifle along and I can shoot a deer if occasion requires. I paddle a canoe and can hook the finny inhabitants of the inland waters of Maine. But there are other interesting things in the woods and around the Maine lakes and streams besides hunting and fishing.

It is worth one's while to see the wild animals in their native element and become acquainted with their manner of living. A lady—to enjoy a trip into the Maine woods—need not take a rifle along, if she chooses otherwise. She will find curiosities enough if she does not care to shoot game.

There is one small animal I wish to speak of. It is called one of the "seven sleepers." The animal is a tiny brown mouse that hunters often see while in the woods. At times the little fellow makes heaps of noise for so small an animal, not by lung power, but by stamping on the ground in a place well trodden. He builds his house or den of autumn leaves and when finished it very much resembles a cabbage. I have found them very often. The den is much sought after by collection seekers.

I lately took a party of four women into the woods to take pictures and gather wild flowers. They would ask me the names of the flowers, which I took pleasure in explaining to them. Among the beautiful flowers of the forest, the "stinging nettle" has a lovely lavender blossom although nothing but a weed.

I know of two young ladies who came to Maine this season to enjoy the hunting. They took home a deer each, and one of them a moose. I will tell you about the moose the lady shot. The camp at which they were located is near the bank of a stream. One day, toward night the guide came into camp, saying there was a moose across the stream at no great distance from the camp and that he would cross the stream and with his moose horn would call him out and the ladies could shoot him. The ladies agreed to the plan and stationed themselves with rifles in hand. They had not long to wait for they soon heard the old fellow coming from a distance. Pretty soon they could see his antlers against the small trees and underbrush. In a moment, as he drew nearer, that terrible cracking and crashing of brush together with the calling of the guide, the screeching of the night owl and the barking of the fox, so unnerved them both that they dropped their rifles, begged the guide to stop calling and rushed for the camp. It is rather dismal to be sure, for any who are not acquainted with the many evening noises one hears in the forests after the sun goes down. The next day, however, one of the ladies shot the moose, securing a trophy to be proud of.

I take great interest in the column in MAINE WOODS headed "Women in the Woods." Yours respectfully, MRS. J. S. FREESE, Riverton, Me.

A Maine Guide.

Mrs. Oliver Pettengill.

Mrs. Oliver Pettengill had a story of personal experience. It was last summer at Camp Comfort in the Rangeley region that Mr. and Mrs. Pettengill and Miss Huldah Elizabeth, the daughter of Hon. Waldo Pettengill, were entertaining a guest from New York. Evidently fearful of too perceptibly lowering the ladder, the guest ate very sparingly. He did, however, pass his glass twice for water.

This did not escape the watchful eyes of an irrepressible young nephew, who cried out:

"That's right! Have all the water you want. That's the cheapest thing we have up here!"—Lewiston Journal.

BLACK BASS FISHING.

The black bass fishing in the Shenandoah and Potomac rivers near Harper's Ferry, W. Va., is unusually good. Maj. Richard Sylvester, chief of police, Washington, D. C., also president of the National Chief of Police association, guest of S. W. Lightner, landed nineteen large bass in a few hours, from the Shenandoah near the house, Nov. 14.

TRANSPORTATION

TIME - TABLE.

SANDY RIVER R. R. Monday, October 13, 1902.

North.	Tr'n1 A. M.	Tr'n3 A. M.	Tr'n5 P. M.
Farmington,.....lv	11 00	12 10	4 40
So. Strong,.....			
Strong,.....{ ar	P. M.	P. M.	
Phillips,.....ar	12 05	12 42	6 10
	12 30	1 00	6 30
South.	Tr'n2 A. M.	Tr'n4 A. M.	Tr'n6 P. M.
Phillips,.....lv	7 30	8 30	1 30
Strong,.....{ ar			
So. Strong,.....lv	7 50	9 10	1 50
Farmington,.....ar	8 20	10 00	2 20

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TIME-TABLE.

In Effect Oct. 13, 1902.

SOUTH.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Bigelow, lv	11 05	11 00	6 55
Carrabassett, ar	11 30	11 20	7 15
Kingfield, { ar			11 50 7 40
lv	A. M.	P. M.	
*N. Freeman, lv	7 00	12 55	12 50
*Mt. Abram Jct., lv	7 05		12 55
*Summit, lv		1 15	
*Salem, lv	7 20	1 25	1 10
*N. Freeman, lv	7 22	1 35	1 12
*Strong, ar	7 35	1 50	1 25
	7 45	2 10	1 40
NORTH.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Strong, lv	8 15	3 00	5 15
*N. Freeman, lv	8 25	3 15	5 25
*Summit, lv	8 35	3 25	5 35
*Salem, lv	8 40	3 35	5 40
*Mt. Abram Jct., lv	8 45	3 40	
*N. Freeman, lv	8 50	3 50	5 50
Kingfield, { ar	9 00	4 30	6 00
lv	A. M.		
Carrabassett, ar	9 15	6 02	7 00
Bigelow, ar	9 45	6 27	7 45
	10 15	6 50	8 30
*Flag stations. Trains stop on notice to conductor. Mixed trains.			
Close connection is made at Strong with trains to and from Phillips, Farmington, Portland and Boston.			
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Time-table for 1903 will appear May 1st.

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EVERYONE IS A HUNTER NOW.

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To be sure a great many go from Portland, but it is no uncommon thing to see people any day from "away out west," or from the "sunny south," eager to take part in the unapproachable hunting of our state of Maine.

This season, which is regarded as one of the best for years, is now at its height and as soon as a light covering of snow is on the ground in the woods it will be at its very best. The season bids fair now to be a record breaker over all previous years.

PINE POINT POINTS.

[Special correspondence to the MAINE WOODS]

PINE POINT, Nov. 25, 1902.

Hunting is all the "go" now. You are not in the swim at all if you haven't a gun and a dog.

Ed Rogers had one of his lucky days yesterday. He came in with a string of game not to be sneezed at. There were three green winged teal and three hooded mergansers in the lot. Mergansers are very rarely shot and these three were very fine specimens. JAY SEE.

TRANSPORTATION

Time-Table.

PHILLIPS & RANGELEY R. R.

The only all-rail route to Rangeley Lake. The quickest and easiest route to the Dead River Region via Dead River Station. Stage connection with every through train for Stratton, Eustis and all points inland.

On and after Oct. 13, 1902, trains on the Phillips & Rangeley railroad will run as follows until further notice:

EAST.	A. M.	P. M.
Phillips, Lv	7 00	5 40
*Madrid, ar	7 20	5 55
*Madrid Junction, ar	7 25	6 00
*Reed's Mill, ar	7 30	6 05
*Sanders' Mill, ar	7 35	6 10
*Redington Mills, ar	8 20	6 30
Dead River, ar	8 30	6 50
Rangeley, ar	8 35	7 05
WEST.	A. M.	P. M.
Rangeley, Lv	11 30	3 00
Dead River, ar	11 42	3 20
	10 30	P. M.
Redington Mills, ar	12 05	4 00
*Sanders' Mill, ar	12 23	4 30
*Reed's Mill, ar	12 30	4 45
*Madrid Junction, ar	12 34	4 53
*Madrid, ar	12 35	4 55
Phillips, ar	12 50	5 15
*Trains stop on signal or notice to conductor.		

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Portland & Rumford Falls Ry.

DIRECT LINE TO RANGELEY LAKES.

Through Time-Table, in Effect Oct. 13, 1902.

GOING SOUTH.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Quosnooc, lv	10 40	7 35		
So. Rangeley lv				
	P. M.			
Bemis, lv	1 15	7 55		
Rumford Falls, lv	3 00	9 10	2 40	
Livermore Falls, lv		9 00		
Mechanic Falls, lv		6 55	10 41	4 07
Rumford Jct., ar		7 27	11 12	4 37
		P. M.		
Portland, Union Sta., ar	8 35	12 18	5 45	
	P. M.			
Boston, (W. Div.), ar	12 45	4 10		
Boston, (E. Div.), ar	12 39	4 00	9 00	
GOING NORTH.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.	A. M.
Boston, (E. Div.), lv		9 00	12 30	
Boston, (W. Div.), lv		8 30	1 15	
		A. M.		
Rumford, Union Sta., lv	8 30	12 55	5 15	
		P. M.		
Rumford Jct., lv	9 40	2 15	6 21	
Mechanic Falls, ar	10 06	2 41	6 45	
Livermore Falls, ar	A. M.	10 27	3 00	
Rumford Falls, ar	10 00	11 35	4 15	A. M.
Bemis, ar	11 50		5 20	9 05
So. Rangeley, ar			5 40	9 32
Quosnooc, ar			5 45	9 40

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BANGOR & AROOSTOOK R. R.

Arrangement of Trains.

IN EFFECT MONDAY, OCT. 13, 1902.

Pullman Buffet Parlor Cars between Caribou and Bangor on train leaving Caribou at 6.15 a m and Bangor at 3.15 p m.  
6.45 A. M.—For and arriving at Lagrange at 8.00 a m, Milo 8.27



## HUNTERS PULLED IN.

### Wardens In Bangor Doing Business by Wholesale Lately.

### Woman Pulled by Warden For Shipping Too Many Deer.

[Special correspondence to MAINE WOODS.]

BANGOR, Nov. 24, 1902

Possibly some of those folks who have been telling us for the past three years that the Ohio hunters were being much maligned by the stories of their wrong doings, will be convinced, after all, by the results of last Thursday night's work by Warden Pollard and a companion at Greenville. In less than five hours there the two wardens succeeded in securing evidence sufficient to warrant the arrest of eleven Ohio hunters and did arrest them. Three of these were wanted for the killing of a calf moose on the Wassataquoik trail early in the month, the rest were arrested upon charges of illegal transportation of venison and partridges and for having more than two deer in their possession.

The men wanted for killing the calf moose were brought to Bangor and placed in jail, where they now are, to await hearing, which will come as soon as Warden Pollard can return from the Stacyville region with the necessary witnesses. The remaining six men were allowed to go upon the payment of the amount of fines which the cases against them called for. This sum in the aggregate was over \$200. It has been turned over to Commissioner Carleton and the fund for game protection is so much larger.

For fear that some of those who are of the mind that the Ohio men are being done an injustice and will, consequently, say that these men were the "poor, poverty stricken" sportsmen, it is well to mention that one of them is a prominent politician of Ohio, who has been state auditor, county treasurer and several other officers. Others in the party are county commissioners, clerk of courts, lawyers and prominent business men and doctors. Besides they have been coming to Maine for three years and each and every one says that they fully understood the law in regard to game transportation and did what they did because they thought it possible to get the stuff by the wardens. The prominent politician said in commenting upon the matter: "Boys we're d— fools." And the others agreed with him.

A favorite method with these hunters from distant states who desire to take home more game than allowed by law is to jerk or smoke it and then pack it down in the middle of their trunks or chests, well surrounded by clothing, so that in case the wardens do look over the baggage there is a possibility of the meat being overlooked. The wardens are onto this scheme, however, and when they start in an inspection of the baggage of a man there is little danger of any of its contents escaping inspection, for they dig out every bit there is in it, so that all the care and trouble expended in the concealing of the contraband is wasted. In consequence of this careful inspection many an out of state sportsman is today wondering what happened to his baggage, for when a piece of baggage is found to contain anything in violation of the game laws the whole thing is promptly seized, and the owner loses not only the venison or birds which he has attempted to take out, but all the clothing, ammunition or whatever may be in the trunk, chest or grip as the case may be.

The manner of jerking venison followed by most of these sportsmen is to cut it from the bone in long strips and allow it to partially dry, then to dip it in boiling hot water. Allow it to remain in the water and then take it out and rub it thoroughly with salt, after which it is hung up and allowed to dry completely. Fixed in this way it is said that it will keep for years, so long as it is stored in a dry place. Venison or moose meat prepared in this manner is eaten without being cooked by stripping it up, or by preparing it in the same manner as finnan haddie is fixed for the table, or by making into a Ham-

burg steak. In any of these methods it is good.

In smoking the meat a bit of salt is rubbed over it, when it has become partially dried, and then it is hung up over a fire, sufficiently high above it to prevent burning, and allowed to smoke for a long time. As is the case with that jerked it will keep for years, if kept dry. Like the other it, too, is good eaten without being cooked, though it is excellent fried as one would fry smoked bacon. Prepared with cream, after the manner of finnan haddie, it is delicious and no wonder the sportsmen like to take it home with them.

They say, too, that venison so prepared readily sells at from 35 to 50 cents a pound in the markets of the Ohio cities and towns, so that a hundred pounds of the meat is worth something to the sportsman who cares to take it home and sell it.

No criminal case has attracted more attention among the owners of camps in Maine than has that of the Woodard boys of Atkinson, Piscataquis county, now in jail here. There are two of them, cousins, Walda and Samuel, and there are two charges of breaking and entering and stealing against Walda and five against Sam. These are for entering cottages or camps at Holbrook's pond, owned by prominent Bangor people and stealing goods of considerable value. In addition to those which are already announced against the boys, or rather men, for they are about 27 years of age, each, there are several other cases of the same kind which it is believed will be finally worked down to them.

As a result of their arrest and the finding of indisputable evidence to connect them with the cases there is a determined effort on the part of camp owners to secure a severe punishment for them. This desire is not confined to the men who have suffered from their depredations, but is shared in by all who own camps or cottages at any of the ponds or lakes or in the woods in the state, for they feel that in no other way can they secure protection for their property.

So long as the men guilty of crimes of this kind are allowed to go with light punishments just so long will others of the same bent of mind feel that they can burglarize the camps and cottages with impunity, but give them good stiff sentences and it is believed that it will have the effect of frightening those who would like to emulate the Woodards.

Added to this desire on the part of camp owners is a demand from the farmers, not only of Penobscot county but of Piscataquis county, who have suffered at the hands of the Woodards, that they be severely punished as a warning to others who would do likewise.

Roth Samuel Woodard and Walda Woodard have been held for trial at the February criminal term of the Supreme court and the bail in their cases amounts to \$3,500, \$1000 in the case of Walda and \$2,500 in that of Samuel. Neither have been able to furnish the amount. In addition to the cases against him in Piscataquis county, Walda is out on bail in two cases in Piscataquis county. One of these is the sum of \$500 for stealing 80 bushels of oats, the other is \$250 for receiving stolen goods.

Regular traffic will begin on the new Fish River railroad, which extends from Ashland to Fort Kent, a distance of 53 miles, on December 8. This will mean the opening up of one of the finest fish and game countries in Maine. It won't amount to much this season, as the hunting time will be practically at an end when the first regular train runs over the road, but there seems to be little doubt but what next spring will see the fishermen flock into that region, while next fall the hunters will go there in large numbers. It had been expected that the road would be ready for regular travel the first of October, but the rainy spring and summer made it impossible to get the road completed in time for that purpose, much to the regret of the railroad officials and the sportsmen.

All records were broken a week ago today in game shipments when 193 deer were recorded here. The best previous record was 185 deer, made on the corresponding day of 1901. Warden Neal has been looking for the two hundred mark to be reached most any day this fall, but he has about given up now, as it is growing so late in the season. He insists that next year will see the mark passed once, at least, for he believes that the sportsmen are going to be more numerous next year and that they will bring out more game. His reasons are that he believes that the proposed license law will be passed this winter by the legislature and that it is going to result in more and a better class of sportsmen coming and that they will bring out all the game they shoot.

On Friday Neal had a nice little interview with a woman and while he was endeavoring to be as kind as possible with her she insisted in putting on her war bonnet and fighting. After a time she saw the folly of her way and submitted to the inevitable with as much grace as possible. When the noon trains arrived on that day, Neal saw the name of a woman who had gone through some two or three weeks previous with two deer. This time she had two. He went and asked her if she had not taken out two deer before and she answered that she certainly had, adding:

"Don't I have a right to take out as many as I want to?"

It was plain that she knew absolutely nothing of the game laws and so the warden decided to be as lenient as possible with her. He explained that she did not and that he should be obliged to seize the two deer. Then she rose in her wrath and allowed that he would do no such thing. All reasoning failed until the warden remarked in his mildest manner:

"Well, then, madam, if you insist on making trouble, I shall have to arrest

you and take you before the police court for violating the game laws and it will cost you \$40 and costs for each deer. I shall hate to do it, but if you won't let me deal kindly with you, I'll have to, that's all."

That startled her. She was convinced that there was no bluff about her having broken the laws and that the warden meant business and then she came down, way down, too, and begged hard not to be arrested. Being convinced that she had not intentionally violated the laws, Neal contented himself with seizing the deer.

## FOX CARRIES THE BULLET.

### A Fifty-Pound Muscalong at Nash's Studio.

### Some Ribs Were Neatly Rolled Up In the Buck's Hide.

[Special correspondence to Maine Woods]

NORWAY, Nov. 25, 1902.

The largest moose head ever brought into Oxford county arrived by express Tuesday, consigned to J. Waldo Nash to be set up. It was shot on Little Jo Murry in the northern part of the state by Mrs. O. L. Chase of Brownville, who has gained quite a reputation among the hunters of Maine as a good shot. The moose, if size goes for anything, was evidently one of the first settlers of his tribe in Maine, as the following measurements will show: spread, 46½ inches; depth, 32 inches; length of fan not including points, 18½ inches; breadth of fan, 12 inches; length from tip of nose to base of antlers, 21 inches. By the same express came a smaller head from L. B. McMillan, also of Brownville, of another moose shot on Little Jo Murry, which wasn't quite as large but is a mighty pretty head.

Mellie Dunham and George R. Stephenson returned from the Umbagog region Tuesday, after a profitable hunting trip, bringing with them three deer and some much smaller game. Stephenson has been two months on the trip, during which he captured all the small game he could eat and besides supplied several friends with what they wanted. Dunham joined him on the trip two weeks ago and had very good success. Both men say, however, that the hunting of this year was not up to that of past seasons. They report no snow.

The hunting in the vicinity of Will Holt's Indian Rock Camp in Andover is high class, judging by recent reports from that section. J. C. Bacon of Connecticut shot a buck weighing 150 pounds; E. C. Frost of South Framingham, Mass., captured another weighing 175 pounds, and his companion, Mr. Spaulding from the same section, brought down a doe weighing upwards of 100 pounds.

Geo. R. Stephenson recently got two sheldrakes at North pond.

A few salmon have come out of Thompson's pond at Oxford and into Greeley brook to spawn. A. E. Lovejoy has seen three pairs on spawning beds in his meadow. It is reported that there are several at "Rocky Jam" spawning.

Everett Fox of Kezar Falls, who accidentally shot himself about six weeks ago and still carries the bullet in his body, has recovered so as to go hunting again. Last week he shot a 3-years-old deer and the Kezarites have been feasting on venison.

Last Thursday when John Noyes of Greenwood went after his sheep, which were in a pasture about 100 rods from the house, he found a buck missing. A thorough search was made which resulted in finding his hide neatly rolled up and a few ribs. Mr. Noyes is confident that it was the work of bears.

Among M. W. Sampson's trophies this fall was a squab duck. George R. Stephenson brought home from Errol what is believed to be the mate.

Benjamin Aldrich, mail carrier of Ketchum, Sunday River valley, above Bethel, was in town last Friday. He reports that a few deer are being killed in that section and that a large number of lumbermen are working in the woods. They have camps on Bull branch and on Sunday river above South branch.

A 50-pound muscalong or maskinonge as it is sometimes called, was received last Friday at Tash's Trout Mezzo studio on Cottage street. This fish was captured in Canada and was sent to Mr. Nash to be mounted by H. R. Charlton, advertising manager of the Grand Trunk railway. Its length was 51½ inches and girth 27 inches. It had a big flat head and a mouth full of all sizes of pointed teeth. Mr. Nash is to make two mounts of it by his mezzo process. Its weight was 37½ pounds.

O. WARREN BROWN.

## AN ALBINO FOX SKIN.

Mr. N. C. Burbank of New Portland was in town Saturday and bought the season's catch of fur up to that time of Savage and Morton of Avon. The skins consisted of 22 foxes, 6 coons, 2 mink and 7 skunks. A good price was paid for the lot.

Among the collection was an albino fox skin, which is very rare. Mr. Burbank says that not one fox skin in 10,000 would be like this. He never saw but one before. He regards it simply as a freak. Its value is no more than an ordinary red fox skin.

## PINEHURST PRESERVES.

### In Equipment and Extent They Are Finest In the Country.

### Shooting Season Formally Opened by Party of Boston Sportsmen.

[Special correspondence to MAINE WOODS.]

PINEHURST, N. C., Nov. 24, 1902.

One of the notable additions to Pinehurst's attractions, made during the past summer, is the addition of the Pinehurst shooting preserves. Not only is the location the best obtainable, and the birds abundant, but in addition the village provides accommodations to suit all tastes with its hotels and cottages.

There was a time when men were content to "rough it" when good sport was close at hand, but that day is past. Modern life has revolutionized old methods and the successful shooting preserve of today must not only provide game in abundance, but suitable accommodations as well. In this particular Pinehurst has no competitor, and its future as a resort for sportsmen bids fair to rival its popularity as a winter resort for those who seek rest, recreation and health.

Moore county and the section immediately round about the village of Pinehurst has long been noted for its abundance of game: Quail, turkeys, deer and hares, and its quail are undeniably the largest and strongest of wing of their species. Realizing this and recognizing the constantly increasing tendency towards shooting, Mr. Leonard Tufts, owner of Pinehurst, has gradually acquired by purchase and lease some 30,000 acres, nearly fifty square miles of the best territory in this section, forming what is without question the largest private preserve under the control of one man in the south.

To further perfect the scheme and increase the number of birds, large patches of cow peas have been established at stated intervals throughout the preserve. These were planted and left unharvested as food for the quail and of which they are passionately fond. In addition to this, stocking will be indulged in liberally in order that the supply of game may be made more than usually abundant, amply able to keep ahead of the drain made upon it by the hunters.

The preserves are under the general management of Dr. C. D. Jones of Milton, N. H. In connection with them are the Pinehurst kennels, under the direct supervision of Mr. Alliston Gray, who as a trainer and guide at the High Point (N. C.) kennels, has had a long and valuable association with sportsmen from all parts of the country. Twenty-two blooded dogs in all are at the kennels and a number of reliable guides are available for the use of the hunters. The Pinehurst livery is fully prepared to furnish shooting wagons, traps, carts and saddle horses.

The combined equipment is the finest in the country and available for the use of sportsmen in general, and the months of December, January and February furnish the best shooting of the year.

North Carolina as a resort for sports men exceeds the states further south principally on account of its climate. The clear, crisp days that make exercise a delight may be counted on, and the weather is also sufficiently cool to allow the birds to hang a sufficient time to season properly.

## THE FIRST SHOOTING.

### Mr. Leonard Tufts and Party Enjoy Excellent Sport.

Mr. Leonard Tufts of Boston, owner

of Pinehurst, opened the season's shooting on the Pinehurst Preserves during the past week, entertaining as his guests a party of prominent Boston sportsmen comprising B. F. Dutton, Harry Dutton, F. P. Royce, Chas. A. Clough and Walter A. Hill. Beautiful weather and excellent bags were the features of the outing, and the numerous trips enjoyed embraced nearly every portion of the vast territory. The birds were abundant, generally easily found in the vicinity of the cow-peas patches, and in excellent shooting country.

Nearly all of the dogs at the Pinehurst Kennels were tried and all much admired, especially "Reb," "Rock," "Fonto," "Dash" and "Dick." They are conscientious workers, possessing excellent nose, tireless energy and staunch as rocks. All are retrievers.

## PLUMMER IS ALL RIGHT.

The Boston newspapers have been taking a great deal of interest in the whereabouts of Mr. Frank Plummer, the genial and accommodating clerk at the Mountain View House, Rangeley Lakes.

Mr. Plummer was in Boston several days ago and while at Hotel Clarendon he left his money, \$160.50 and his gold watch in the hotel safe.

As Mr. Plummer went home without the cash or watch, the Herald and the other papers got anxious for fear Mr. Plummer had been murdered or had hanged himself.

When Mr. Plummer wrote for his valuables the world was immediately informed that he was not dead.

Sportsmen and others who have been waited upon by Mr. Plummer for several seasons past may rest assured that he still lives, is in excellent health and hopes to see them when the fishing season opens despite the alarming reports by Boston papers.

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That can be saved on a comparatively small purchase here is in no department so noticeable as in the Chamber Furniture. Solid Oak Suites at \$15.50 and \$18.00 and Chiffoniers at \$5.00 and \$8.50 as advertised last week, are still attracting attention and are in fact worthy of investigation of all in search of the *reliable values at Lowest of Low Prices.*

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A LONELY NIGHT.

Those Eyeballs Glared With Astonishment.

Luther's Partridge Had a Luscious Savory Smell.

Mr. Luther Toothaker of Phillips, with his brother Joseph, (now deceased) used to do a good deal of hunting and trapping around the Kennebago and Richardson lakes. The many ponds and streams in that locality afforded them, and do now, excellent feeding grounds for the fur bearing animals.

The streams running into Richardson ponds above Richardson lake were full of trout and black bears helped themselves to fish from these shallow brooks, and the evidences of bruin's visits to these streams were very apparent to the Toothaker boys every time they visited their traps, of which they had a goodly number, set all through that section and would make a visit to them about once in ten days.

In visiting these traps the boys would not always travel together, but would branch off, one going to the traps in one locality, while the other would visit those in another direction. So it frequently happened that at night they would be widely separated, and the result would be that each must "shack" for himself, that is, must build a camp or a shelter and crawl in for a night's repose.

It so happened that on one of these nights Luther found himself at the setting of the sun on the bank of one of the streams mentioned as flowing into the Richardson ponds. He found some old "splits" about four feet long which had been "rived" out a few winters before by some lumbermen and not being needed had been left there on the ground. Perhaps it will be well to explain the use of these "splits," what they are and how they are made.

When a lumbering crew are to build a camp a long distance from a sawmill, it becomes a very expensive matter to haul boards so long a distance to cover the roofs of camps and hovels, so that a search for trees of straight grain, or those that will "rive" or split freely is made. The tree is then cut down and sawed into lengths of four feet and these logs are split up into thin rough boards.

He took these and stuck one end into the ground, making a sort of circular pen, leaving an aperture large enough to allow him to crawl in and out. He then covered the top with a piece of cloth, which he carried in his pack. This made him a very comfortable camp. He then cooked his supper by an open fire, which he had built a short distance from the camp.

He had seen plenty of bear tracks

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JAMES B. DILL.

Those who visit the Rangeley Lake House or the Kennebago lake region in summer, know that James B. Dill is an enthusiastic sportsman and in a general way they know that he is a great corporate lawyer and a man who has made a good deal of money.

A late issue of the Saturday Evening Post had the following about Mr. Dill:

To the general public there is probably no man better known as a trust organizer than James B. Dill. He has had to do with at least fifty per cent of the great corporations that have come into being since the trust idea first took hold. The cracker trust, the tin-plate trust and an almost endless list of others were brought to Mr. Dill for expert advice, because of his thorough knowledge of the New Jersey laws under which most of the big enterprises have been organized. Mr. Dill is a short, rather stout, bustling sort of a man, full of energy and possessed of great shrewdness. He has built up a very substantial fortune and ranks as one of the rich men among the trust lawyers. He was among the first to see the possibilities that lay in trust practice, and when still a young man devoted himself to this special branch. His home has always been in New Jersey, and it was due largely to his efforts that the state was induced to pass the corporation laws that have brought it such a rich harvest in taxes. Mr. Dill first tried the New York authorities, but met with little encouragement. He then turned his attention to Governor Abbott of New Jersey, who at first listened rather skeptically, but was finally convinced that it might be a good thing for the state for such laws as Mr. Dill suggested to be passed. As a direct result, the famous Jersey statutes, under which industrial giants have come into being, were passed by the Jersey legislature. Mr. Dill started out in the world without a dollar. He managed to work his way through college at Yale. After graduating he tried New York City, but almost starved to death. When things were at the blackest, he remembered a classmate, Z. K. Pangborn, whose father owned the Jersey City Evening Journal. With practically the last penny he had in the world, Dill paid his way across the ferry and hunted up the younger Pangborn.

"I've got to have a job," he said, "and I wish you would use your influence with your father to give me a chance."

"All right, I'll see what the old man will do for you."

Within an hour Dill was told he could have his coveted job, providing he didn't mind risking his skin.

"The old man," reported young Mr. Pangborn, "will give you a chance if you will go out in the Molly Maguire country as special correspondent."

The opportunity had been offered to practically everybody on the paper, but there had been no takers. The Molly Maguires were at that time terrorizing the hard coal regions. Murders were of daily occurrence and other deeds of violence filled the newspapers everywhere. Dill made up his mind that he would just as soon be murdered as starved to death, and took the assignment. The train on which he went out was derailed by the Molly Maguires at White Haven, Pennsylvania, and seventeen people were killed. Fortunately Mr. Dill was not among the number. He escaped without a scratch, walked twenty miles down the track to the nearest telegraph office, sent an exclusive story that made a sensation everywhere, and made his entry into journalism with flying colors. Afterward he served the New York Tribune until he had saved enough money to warrant his starting out as a practicing attorney. Mr. Dill's office is at 27 Pine street, in the same building with the New York office of James J. Hill, president of the Great Northern railway. The firm, Dill & Baldwin, occupies two floors. They employ fifty-one people, among whom

are a number of specialists who receive salaries of from ten to fifteen thousand dollars a year. Mr. Dill's home is at Orange, New Jersey, where he has one of the most beautiful places in the countryside. In summer he generally goes to the Maine woods.

These seven men practically include all the prominent New York lawyers that have had to do with important trust organization. The list, however, would not be complete without John W. Gates' legal adviser, Max Pam. Mr. Pam ranks himself as a Chicagoan, but for several years past now he has spent most of his time in New York, having his office with the American Steel and Wire company on the twentieth floor of the Empire Building, which is the home of the steel trust. Mr. Pam is a short, active, nervous man, with a thick, closely cropped beard, sharp, small, twinkling eyes, and a manner that suggests a collection of coiled steel springs. He is all motion and activity. It was he who was the chief figure in the organization of the American Steel and Wire company, and he has had charge of the harvester combination and all the others out of which Mr. Gates has built his large fortune. What proportion of the wealth that has resulted from these combinations has found its way into Mr. Pam's pockets no one knows. It is generally believed, however, that Mr. Pam has made millions of dollars, and in Wall street he is known as the man who has carefully laid out all the twists executed with such brilliant effect by Mr. Gates.

Trade Notes.

Chas. W. Budd, Des Moines, La., won the New London Gun club first average Oct. 15 with a score of 181 out of 200 shooting from the 20 yard mark. On the second day T. B. Nichols won high average, breaking 97 out of 100. Both gentlemen used U. M. C. factory loaded shells.

George Piercey won high average Oct. 28 at the North Branch Gun club, with U. M. C. shells.

On the same day at Armada, Mich., Frank Deer broke 137 out of 155 with U. M. C. factory loaded arrow shells.

The Kentucky championship was won by Alfred Clay, who killed 30 live birds straight with U. M. C. arrow shells at Louisville, Ky., Oct. 25.

J. C. Carrier won the championship of North Carolina Oct. 31, by a score of 71 out of 75, shooting U. M. C. factory loaded arrow shells.

J. L. Head of Peru, Ind., won the Indiana state live bird trophy Nov. 7, by a score of 44 out of 50.

C. B. Wiggins of Homer, Ill., won the Danville shoot Oct. 13, by the excellent score of 163 out of 165. J. L. Head was second with 160. U. M. C. arrow shells were used by both winners.

The veteran trap shot R. O. Heikes has been winning first place with his usual regularity. At the C. E. Bimel tournament Oct. 15, he broke 375 out of 400 targets; at Crawfordsville, Ind., Oct. 22, he broke 391 out of 400; at Louisville, Ky., Oct. 21, he won the Kentucky handicap by killing 35 birds straight from the 33 yard mark; at Dalton, O., Oct. 31, he broke 259 out of 280 clay birds; at Kent, O., he scored 93 out of 100; at the shoot given in his honor by the local gun club at Revenna, O., he won by the same score, and Nov. 5th, won first place at Barborton, O., at the matinee shoot. At clay birds he shoots 3 drims of smokeless powder and 11 ounces of 74 chilled shot. His wadding is grease proof, express, black edge in arrow shells, factory loaded by the Union Metallic Cartridge Co., Bridgeport, Conn.

SALEM COUNTS THEM UP.

[Special correspondence to MAINE WOODS.]

SALEM, Nov. 25, 1902.

The following are the number of deer shot in town since the season opened and by whom shot, so far as heard from: Raymond Ellis, one; Roland Plaisted, one; G. Harold Harris, one; Calvert Perry, one; Arthur Crocker, one; Winfield Corbett, one; Walter Davenport, one; total 7.

RAILROAD MAN ON LICENSE.

Superintendent of S. R. R. R. Favors Making Amount \$5.

In conversation with a MAINE WOODS reporter a few days ago Mr. F. N. Beal of Phillips, superintendent of the Sandy River railroad, expressed himself as being now in favor of a hunter's license law.

Mr. Beal says: "The fish and game department must certainly have more money for use in the protection of game. As the situation now is the winter crust hunters and the summer hunters, who kill deer in summer under a jack light are having everything their own way, and the commissioners are helpless. They want to protect the game but they can't do it; there is no money for the purpose. Now, I would favor charging big game hunters a license fee not to exceed \$5 for nonresidents and \$2.50 for residents. This would be fair and great good would result."

BANKERS' EDITION.

No one should fail to read the Nov. 12th issue of Printers' Ink, and especially bankers and bankers' employees, whether a president of a bank, cashier or bank clerk.

This issue is a veritable bank number and in making it a special edition for banks and bankers, Printers' Ink has spared no effort or care to make this issue interesting and instructive to those to whom it is particularly dedicated.

One thing among the many good ones in this issue is quoted below:

"Bank advertising has received its share of attention in the past, but until within the last year it has been more or less of an infant.

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## NORWAY GAME NOTES.

## More Than Four Hundred In the Flock.

## The Colonel Seldom Comes Back Empty Handed.

[Special correspondence to the MAINE WOODS.]

NORWAY, Nov. 26, 1902.

The fall flight of geese for the south is over, being about two weeks later than usual. The advance guard, more than 200 have into sight late Thursday afternoon, and for two days they rested on the shore of Lake Penneesseewassee and North pond. Every hunter in town took a shy at them, but not more than a dozen birds were taken in all. Part of the flock went into South Paris and grubbed near the grist mill in the village. J. Edward Muroh took a load of No. 4 and landed it in the middle of the flock scattering feathers in all directions and injuring four birds. One went into the air after being hit and came down on the iron bridge near the Andrews house. It weighed 10½ pounds and was immediately brought to Norway and given into the hands of Nash, the taxidermist. All day Saturday the birds were flying over the town and spent the night near Frost's Corner. The next morning the whole army, numbering more than 400, started for the south.

Charged with having deer in their possession during close time George Morey and his brother Charles were arraigned in the municipal court Thursday by Game Warden Albert P. Bassett, and each were fined \$40 and costs. Bassett alleged and proved to the satisfaction of the court that the men, who are Albany farmers, had killed a deer last September, and George pleaded guilty to the charge, while his brother acknowledged that he had the carcass of a deer in his possession in the same month. George Morey paid his fine, but his companion will lay it out in Paris jail. This makes the 15th arrest and 18th conviction secured by Game Warden Bassett during the past 24 months of those who have been guilty of violating the game laws. Not all the arrests but the majority of them have been made in this county, and with two other game wardens in this section seems to show that there is still plenty of work for those who are vested with the authority to see that the statutes affording protection to game animals and fish is enforced. There has been an aggregate of \$159.96 paid out as fines and costs by those who have been arrested for taking game in close time making it an unprofitable business to carry on. There is no question but what a good deal of illegal shooting and fishing is done within the borders of Oxford county, but the number of wardens is insufficient to cope with it.

The announcement made in the last issue of the MAINE WOODS that in the future the paper would be devoted exclusively to sporting news was received with some joy among the fraternity here, who look to the paper as their guiding star for matters pertaining to the game. One and all frankly confessed that nothing has for years been needed in the state more than a paper which would use its columns exclusively for news from the fish and game quarters.

The Newry reporter for a county paper muses as follows in last week's issue:

Mr. and Mrs. Baker Phillips and sister, Miss Mary Phillips, from East Hebron, have been spending a few days visiting at J. S. Allen's and deer hunting. Mr. Phillips is the man of whom mention was made in last week's Democrat, as having shot a fawn while en route from Hebron to Newry. Though small it was still a deer and he congratulates himself upon being an extra marksman to have hit so small a mark.

Without doubt A. L. Cook of Norway is champion bird killer of this section. During the bird shooting season just

closed he has taken 107 woodcock and 41 partridges over his dog Sport, a pointer of fine breeding and 5 years of age. Cook has not devoted all his time to hunting, taking trips into the bush but two days a week since the law went off in September. The dog has been in the woods four seasons, during which his owner has brought down 481 birds of the two varieties named. This year's work is the biggest of the four as far as numbers are concerned, and it is a record that but few if any hunters can equal.

Harris Kneeland of South Waterford last Saturday heard his dog barking on his premises back of the house, and on looking after the matter he saw a fox. Mr. Kneeland threw a stone at the fox, hitting him on the head and killing him at once.

Elated by his success in putting a wild-cat to rout near Camp Comus, Col. Frank R. Taylor spent a few days the past week in the wilds of northern Maine, hunting deer and moose. He returned, Tuesday night, empty handed, but with a big supply of game stories picked up during his sojourn in that region. The story of his putting the wild-cat to flight has gained for Colonel Taylor an enviable reputation among hunters who haven't yet become tired of listening to the blood curdling tale of his near escape from death. For weeks Colonel Taylor has spent much of his time at the camp on the shore of the lake, where he has entertained many friends. Some few nights ago there was a big commotion near the back window of the camp, and the Colonel, taking his rifle and a few shells, poked into the darkness in quest of the disturber. He was accompanied by Arthur Gage, and both men claimed to have fired several shots at the supposed animal. A careful search the next morning, however, failed to reveal the carcass of the dead animal, which leads some of the sporting men of Norway to think that no shots were fired, as the Colonel seldom misses the mark when he shoots.

O. WARREN BROWN.

## CRIMINAL CARELESSNESS.

COHASSET, MASS., Nov. 25, 1902.

To the Editor of Maine Woods:

I feel a special interest in the recent sad news concerning the shooting of John Hager, a Maine guide, by Wilfred Wheeler of Concord, as it is only a little over three weeks since my uncle H. C. Rowley of Springfield, Mass., and myself returned from a hunting trip at this same camp where the fatality occurred. John Hager was my guide and his brother Frank guided Mr. Rowley.

There are a few remarks I should like to make on this subject which you are welcome to print if you find them either interesting or profitable. My interest is two-fold: First a deep love of hunting and a firm belief that reasonable caution can make it perfectly safe and second a sense of personal loss for the man who is gone, as he was the cleanest, most wholesome fellow I ever met in the woods.

In the first place the man who did the shooting deserves the deepest sympathy. It was purely accidental and the remorse he undoubtedly feels is a terrible punishment in itself. It will haunt him for a lifetime. In the second place since the two hunting parties started out separately and at the time of the shooting, were, according to Wheeler's cousin, within forty yards of each other, one or possibly both of the Hager brothers were unquestionably at fault. There must have been carelessness somewhere on the part of the guides.

Admitting all this it nevertheless remains true that Wheeler at a distance of only forty yards mistook a snow covered hat for a deer's tail and fired, killing his man. A man, who at forty yards, is unable to distinguish a snow covered hat from a deer's tail is either so near sighted that he should be kept at home or so careless that he should be locked up away from home. Furthermore, from the standpoint of sport, a deer's tail is no mark to fire at anyway. If a hunter did shoot a deer in the tail he would not get his game. It would simply mean sending the animal off in the woods to die a painful and lingering death.

Year after year this thing goes on and men in criminal carelessness wander through the woods with high power rifles in their hands that mean death to everything in sight, shooting recklessly at anything that moves, without knowing what it is. They act as if other life were cheap or they were handling toys. It is time the thing was stopped. The first news was that the county attorney was going to prosecute and the determination was welcomed by all lovers of sport and fairness. The news came yesterday that the judge of the court had dismissed the complaint. While feeling deeply sorry for Mr. Wheeler, it would still have been a satisfaction to see a heavy penalty rigidly enforced for the sake of making hunters more careful in the future.

The only excuse that could possibly be offered was "He didn't mean to." Nobody for a moment supposes that an engineer intends to wreck a train, as his own life is most in danger, but if it can be proved that he mistook the signals he is severely judged. If the engineer that "didn't mean to" is punished why not the hunter?

One section of the newspaper account was headed "Family Surprised" and another "Family Depressed." While the Wheeler family had abundant cause to be both surprised and depressed my own thoughts went out to the hillside home in Dover, where the mother and young wife were mourning their dead.

A modern rifle means death and a man who will pull a trigger until he is absolutely certain what he is firing at, even at the risk of losing his game, deserves to be in the clutches of the law.

CHAS. W. MERRIAN.

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## Maine's Game Laws.

CARIBOU.

Unlawful to hunt or to have in possession any caribou, or part thereof, before October 15, A. D., 1905. Penalty same as on moose.

MOOSE.

Unlawful to hunt, kill or have in possession any cow or calf moose. "Calf Moose." Moose are calves until they are at least a year old, and have at least two prongs to their horns. Unlawful to hunt or kill moose between the first of December and the fifteenth day of October. No person shall, between October fifteenth and December first, have more than one bull moose or part thereof.

(Note.) The only change made in the moose law by the last legislature was in relation to having in possession any bull moose or part thereof in close time.

DEER.

Unlawful to hunt or shoot deer any time between October first and December fifteenth. A person lawfully killing a deer in open season shall have a reasonable time in which to transport the same to his home and may have the same in possession at his home in close season.

(Note.) This is a radical change from the old law, so far as "having deer" in possession is concerned. Not more than two deer can be had in possession for any purpose, no matter where or when taken, and a person who has shot a deer lawfully in open season shall have a reasonable time to get it home in close season and may have it in possession in close season at his home.

THE "SEPTEMBER LAW" was repealed by chapter 273, Public Laws of 1901. It is impossible to legally kill a deer in September.

WILD-CATS. The bounty on wild-cat's was repealed by chapter 207, Public Laws of 1901.

HUNTING WITH DOGS, ETC. No person shall at any time, in any manner, hunt, catch, take, kill or destroy, with dogs, jack lights, artificial lights, snares, or traps, any moose, deer or caribou.

DOGS MAY BE KILLED.

Any person may kill any dog which chases a moose, caribou or deer, or any dog kept or used for that purpose. Any person owning or having in his possession any dog for the purpose of hunting or chasing moose, caribou or deer, shall be punished by a fine of \$100 and costs of prosecution for each offence.

(Note.) The question often arises, is a person liable whose dog, of his own volition, leaves the house of his master and chases deer? Anybody can lawfully kill the dog, under the circumstances. The owner or keeper would not be liable if he knew nothing about it, but if he was informed that his dog was in the habit of chasing this game, and does not confine him, and the dog, after his owner has this knowledge, again chases game, he would be liable. The owner of a dog should keep him under control.

SUNDAY CLOSE TIME FOR HUNTING. Unlawful to hunt, kill or destroy game or birds of any kind on Sunday.

(Note.) Sunday is not a close time on fishing, in the same sense as on hunting. The only law to prevent fishing on Sunday during the open season is the old "Sunday law": "Whoever on the Lord's day keeps open his shop or place of business—travels or does any work, labor or business on that day, except works of necessity or charity; uses any sport, game or recreation—shall be punished by a fine not exceeding \$10."

DON'T SHOOT CARELESSLY. Beware of shooting before you know what you are shooting at.

(Note.) The many deplorable accidents where a person has been mistaken for a deer and killed, induced the passage of the following law: Section 1. Whoever, while on a hunting trip, or in the pursuit of wild game or game birds, negligently or carelessly shoots and wounds any human being, shall be punished by imprisonment not exceeding ten years or by fine not exceeding one thousand dollars. It is the duty of the county attorneys and sheriffs to prosecute these cases under penalty of fine and removal from office.

NONRESIDENTS.

Hunters or anglers must employ guides or stop with a registered guide or registered camp owner if they are to go upon the wild lands of the state with the intent to camp and kindle fires thereon, in the months of May, June, July, August, September, October or November.

PENALTY.

Forty dollars and cost of prosecution, for each offense and imprisonment thirty days. (Note.) There is a law made in 1885, Chapter 337, Section 13, Public Laws 1885. "Whoever kindles a fire on land not his own, without consent of the owner, forfeits \$10. If such a fire spreads and damages the property of others, he forfeits not less than ten nor more than five hundred dollars, and in either case he shall stand committed until fine and costs are paid, or he shall be imprisoned not more than three years.

DEER IN CERTAIN COUNTIES. Sagadahoc-York. Close time until October 1, 1903.

Knox-Lincoln. Open season October only of each year.

Kennebec. Open season October and November.

Cumberland. Lawful to kill deer in Bald win, Bridgton, Casco, Gorham, Gray, Harrison, Naples, New Gloucester, Otisfield, Raymond, Sebago, Standish and Windham, in Cumberland County from October first to November first.

(Note.) It is lawful to hunt deer in this county in the above mentioned towns only and only during the month of October. The general law applies as to the number that may be taken and as to the penalty for violation of the law.

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Waldo county closed to deer hunters for two years except from October first to November 15th inclusive, of each year.

TRANSPORTATION.

No person or corporation shall transport any moose, or deer, or part thereof, in close time nor in open time, unless open to view, tagged and plainly labelled with the name and residence of the owner thereof, and accompanied by him.

PENALTY.

Forty dollars and costs for each moose or deer. Any person not the actual owner of such game or parts thereof, who to aid another in such transportation, falsely represents himself to be the owner, shall be liable to the penalties aforesaid, and it shall be prima facie evidence that said game was illegally killed, but nothing therein shall apply to the transportation of moose or deer by any person or corporation when such game is lawfully tagged in accordance with the law. Whoever lawfully kills a bull moose shall, while the same or any part thereof is being transported, preserve and transport it with the evidence on the moose of the sex of the same. Whoever fails to comply with the provisions of this section shall forfeit to the state the moose or part thereof being transported and pay a fine of \$300 and costs.

Any person who has lawfully killed a moose or a deer or who has lawfully in his possession one trout, one togue, one land-locked salmon or one white perch, or ten pounds of either kind of these fish or one pair of game birds, may send the same to his home or to any hospital in the state without accompanying the same by purchasing of the duly constituted agent therefore a tag, paying for a moose, \$5, for a deer, \$2, for a trout, togue, or land-locked salmon, \$1, for each or \$1 for each ten pounds of the same and fifty cents for a pair of game birds.

The commissioners of inland fisheries and game may appoint agents in convenient localities who may sell these tags, under such rules and regulations as the commissioners may adopt.

(Note.) A person who has lawfully killed a bull moose or a deer, may sell them, but not to be transported out of the state. He may take them to his home where ever he lives, by going with them, and having them properly tagged, or he may buy a license and ship them to his home without going with them. He may take a moose or two deer that he has killed out of the state or he may cut them up and peddle them out without a license.

One who lawfully obtains the ownership of game in open season is not criminally liable for having the same in possession in close time afterwards, but having it thus in possession is evidence of its illegal capture.

## Game Birds.

There shall be for game birds an annual close time in which it shall be unlawful to hunt, chase, catch, kill or have them in possession whenever or however killed as follows. For wood duck, dusky duck, commonly called black duck, teal, and gray duck, the close time shall be during the months of January, February, March, May, June, July, August and December of each year; for ruffed grouse, commonly called partridge, and woodcock, from the first day of December to September 15; Quail from the first day of December to the first day of October; for plover, snipe, and sandpipers, from the first day of May to the first day of August of each year.

Whoever violates any of the above named provisions of this section shall be subject to a penalty of not less than five dollars nor more than ten dollars for each bird so killed caught, chased or had in possession in close time. No person shall, in any one day, kill or have in his possession more than fifteen of each variety of the above named birds, except sandpipers, the number of which shall not exceed seventy in one day, during the respective open seasons for each; nor shall any person, at any time, kill or have in possession any ruffed grouse, commonly called partridge, or woodcock except for his own consumption within this state, except as herein after provided, under a penalty of five dollars for each bird so unlawfully killed or had in possession; nor shall any person at any time sell, or offer for sale, any ruffed grouse (partridge) or woodcock, within this state, under the same penalty; nor shall any person or corporation carry or transport from place to place any of the birds mentioned in this section, in close season, nor in open season unless open to view, tagged and plainly labelled with the owner's name and residence and accompanied by him, unless tagged, and plainly labelled with the owner's name and residence and accompanied by him, unless tagged in accordance with section twenty-six of this chapter under the same penalty.

Any person, not the actual owner of such bird or birds, who, to aid another in such transportation, falsely represents himself to be the owner thereof shall be liable to the same penalty; nor shall any person or corporation carry or transport at any one time more than fifteen of any one variety of the birds above mentioned as the property of one person, under the same penalty; and it shall be unlawful for a term of ten years, to hunt for, take, catch, kill or destroy the capercaillie, or cock of the woods, so-called, black game, so-called, or any species of the pheasant, except ruffed grouse or partridge, under a penalty of fifty dollars for each offence.

SHALL NOT GIVE AWAY BIRDS OR GAME.

No resident of this state shall sell or give away any moose or deer or part thereof, or any game birds, to be transported or carried beyond the limits of this state, under a penalty of one hundred dollars for each and every moose, deer, or part thereof, and one dollar for every game bird so sold or given away; and any person who shall buy any of the above named animals or birds or parts thereof, to so transport them, or who shall transport them after buying the same, or receiving the same as a gift, shall be subject to the same penalty.

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