

one hundred eggs, and, despite the fact that he restored them as nearly as possible to their former conditions and surroundings, the nests were all deserted. Nevertheless, there is one redeeming feature about these hardy little game-birds which is of great importance; after deserting the disturbed nests, the timid creatures almost invariably set about building new ones in places more favorable to success and at a time when the weather is more propitious.

The process of hatching is interesting. The eggs are lined with a tough silken membrane in which blood vessels form and supply the growing embryo with oxygen which passes in through the pores of the shell. Through the membrane and the shell the chick cuts its way with the sharp edges of its bill. His head and neck lie in the large end of the egg, in such a manner that the top is cut around like the lid of a circular match-box, and when he lifts up this hinged lid and pops out his pretty little head, he must look very much like a fairy coming out of a magic box.

The fact that these tops almost always remain attached to the body of the shell, held by the tough membrane which is uncut, because it was behind the neck of the hatching bird, is hard on the statement of those who claim to have seen the chicks running about with a piece of shell sticking to their backs.

Quails are terribly afraid of hawks (several species of these birds of prey, such as the sharp shinned and Cooper's hawks, doing considerable damage during the winter months), and in their fright sometimes seem to lose control of their wings and dash themselves to death against some building. Foxes, minks and small animals also do their share of damage, and the winter famines caused by the sleet and deep snows frequently depopulate whole communities. Man, too, is very destructive. Pot-hunters rake the beavies as they sit huddled together on the ground, and many sportsmen shoot for the sole purpose of killing big bags. Those mercenary fellows who supply fashionable hotels and winter resorts with these much-sought birds take flock after flock in their nets and traps without liberating a single pair for breeding purposes, and even when the birds are caught for the purpose of restocking depleted coveys in other states, careless shippers sometimes allow thousands to die enroute from a lack of food and from overcrowding.

On the other hand, it is pleasant to know that many humane persons throughout the land protect this valuable game-bird from its natural enemies. Injurious hawks are shot, minks are trapped and, when the blizzards cover the earth with deep snow and the fatal ice-crusts form, the devastating famines are broken with a liberal supply of scattered seeds and grains. Thus in some cases whole coveys are brought through the entire winter without the loss of a bird. In return for the farmer's kindness, bob-white destroys weed-seeds in winter and numerous injurious insects in summer, among them being the cut-worm moths, chinch-bugs and potato beetles.

These social birds are partial to stubble fields, and if these are flanked by thickets of alder overrun with vines, where the coveys can spend stormy days, they re-

main in the vicinity of their feeding-grounds all winter. Nothing attracts them more strongly than a buckwheat stubble. Even in its snowy whiteness the buckwheat field is of value to the young flocks, affording them protection when the wheat and hay fields no longer screen them from their enemies of the air. Pine thickets and sunny hillsides covered with cedars are also valuable as roosting and foraging grounds during the winter. With these advantages, and in spite of his many disadvantages, bob-white is still the "ubiquitous quail," and long may he continue the tough and wily little fowl he is! We ought to do more to encourage quail in this country. It is comparatively easy to domesticate them, and still easier to make neighbors of the wild quail—A. R. M. Spaid, in *Country Life in America*.

PULL OUT OF TIGHT HOLE.

The Carolina Nine Defeats Village in Seventh and Final Inning.

Saturday's base ball game was a "corker," and uncertain in its outcome from start to finish, The Carolina pulling out of a tight hole in the last inning, and winning 10 to 8.

The fun began in the first inning, when The Village team cracked out four runs to one for their opponents, shutting them out at the next three turns at the bat, and adding two runs to their liberal lead in the third. In the fifth inning, however, The Carolina got to going for five runs, making four, and the winning runs in the seventh and last inning.

The score by innings:

CAROLINA	1	0	0	5	0	4	—10
VILLAGE	4	0	2	0	1	0	—8

WOMEN'S TEAM GOLF.

Miss Dutton's Team Leads Miss Check's Six Points.

Among the special golf features of the week was a team match on the Nassau system between teams captained by Miss Mary C. Dutton, Boston, and Miss Ethel S. Check, East Orange, Miss Dutton's team winning by six points.

THE SCORES:

MISS CHECK,	0	MISS DUTTON,	3
Miss Gilbert	1	Miss McNeilly,	2
Miss A. McNeilly,	1-2	Miss Campbell,	2 1-2
Mrs. Converse	3	Mrs. Hetherington,	0
Mrs. Crockett,	1 1-2	Mrs. G. L. Knight,	1 1-2
Mrs. Marvin,	3	Mrs. Leslie,	0
Miss Chandlee,	1-2	Mrs. Ross,	2 1-2
Mrs. Zittel,	1	Mrs. Rosenfeld,	2
Mrs. B. Knight,	0	Mrs. Waterhouse,	3
	10 1-2		16 1-2

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