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1887 May 7 to June 4 Edgar R. Waite. 25 North Lane Headingley
9/5/87 Leeds 6.

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See previous Note Book May. 7.- Sir Josh P. Ratcliffe after showing me his photo apparatus &c[etc]. pointed us to his family pictures the most notable being that of his Great-Great Grand- Father- who was very energetic in quelling the Luddite insurrection &[and] on being informed that Mrs. Linnaeus Banks had just completed

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her novel bearing on the subject in the Mercury Supplement he said that he could have given her full information- as he had all the original papers in his possession. He then

showed us a wonderful tree a horse Chestnut of an enormous size, the chief peculiarity being

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that after the branches had grown a certain height they bent down again &[and] touched the ground &[and] in many cases took root - and in one instance a branch travelled about 40 feet from the trunk (the branch was about 15 inches in circumference) touched the ground

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had rooted itself and after its connection with the ground became a tree at least <1> 6 feet in circumference*[circumference] Sir Percival also showed us a Cedar of Lebanon of an enormous size which he said he had walked over when he was a boy. He kept Fantail pigeons which were so tame that they

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walked about our feet. A Pied Flycatcher was flying about inside one of the greenhouses. While in the Park we saw 2 squirrels nests and I found the skeleton of a frog in an old Black bird's nest. After bidding good Bye to Sir Percy. Who had to attend worship at 6'o'clock

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saw ,[male] Bullfinch we left the Park and Fortune took 6 eggs out of a Moorhen's nest, we saw several Sandpipers, Water Voles, &c[etc.] And I saw a Water Shrew. We then went back to Harrogate by the Crimple Viaduct and Fortune took me to his house where we had tea

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Although Fitzgerald was with another detachment of the Club I did not see him the whole time Fortune gave me a [female] Ring ousel which Storey had sent to him. I left Harrogate by the 10 O'clock train May 8th Did not go to Church in the morning but a walk with Scott

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to Adel Dam. he waded to a coot's nest &[and] got 6 eggs. I to a Water Hens &[and] found it empty but I afterwards found 2 young larks in their nest. &[and] Saw 2 Landrails 9th. Skinned Ring Ousel &[and] Pipistrelles and at night I went with Archie Ramsden to Meanwood to

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try & find a Water hen's nest. We found only one nearly complete A Chaffinche's nest also nearly complete and several incomplete Wren's nests and one containing one egg which we left 10th May.[18]87 I got up before 5. & went out to try what I could find I went along Spen Lane & came

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back through the Park by Hutchinson's & found an Accentor's nest with one egg which I left and I saw a pair of tree pipits flying about a particular place but although I examined carefully I could find no indication of a nest, probably too early yet. Coming into the park I had

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a look at some old <stumps> trees and 2 pairs of Starlings flew out. I climbed but could not find anything except a rotten branch with a crevice down one side I poked all about the hole but could not see anything of a nest not however being

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satisfied I got down & waited behind another tree, In a short while a pair- came back and after looking about for some time as Starlings always do when suspicious of any- thing being wrong the hen flew in at the end of the branch and

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in the side not into the hole } (the branch has been broken off being quite rotten) I then climbed again during which process the bird flies out looking down the end of the branch I could see the nest about 2 feet from the opening, I went

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back to the crevice & found that it was continued upwards & was in fact merely a continuation of the hole in the end being stopped only by the Starling's nest in the middle not being able to reach the nest from above I got at it from below

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even then taking my arm up to the Shoulder, I got all the eggs 6 in number safely through the bottom of the nest. One egg was very peculiar having 2 constrictions towards the large end. being nearly half past seven I had not time to look for the

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nest in the tree should there be one- all blown easily (the eggs) At Noon I called at Mr. Wigran's house to ask what day and time he w[ou]ld be at liberty &[and] found that he w[ou]ld be in tonight, at 8 O'clock. (Tuesday) Accordingley*[Accordingly] I saw him at that time but he gave me

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no hope saying that it would be nearly impossible to get a nomination for for me or on the strength of Mr. Fabers recommendation he would write to his brother 11th. Called at Dodgsons &[and] ordered- on the recommendation of W.E. Clarke "British Birds in their Haunts" by Rev[erend] C.A. Johns.

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published by S[ociety for]. P[romoting]. C[hristian]. K[nowledge]. I enquired at their branch in Park Row &[and] found the price was 7/6 At night I went with J.A.R to the Park &[and] climbed to a Mag[pie]s nest which had 2 eggs in on but Found it Empty He, Willie &[and] myself then adjourned to his house it being his 19th birthday

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1887 &[and] had supper- Le. 12th. May Got up at 4.20 am rattled up J.A.R &[and] we went together to the Park looking on our way at the Accentors neset*[nest] noted on the 10th &[and] found the nest pulled to pieces but still able to hold the eggs which had not been removed I straightened the nest up a little [and]

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carefully replaced the egg. Walking toward the grange I found a tree out of which flew a pair of Starling but too near the House to attempt to climb. Coming across the Park we entered Bink's Wood (Batcliffe's Wood) and I went to a Mag[pie]s nest. Which I had inspected some

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time ago. the bird flew off and I ascended but found the nest empty. Going further into the wood I saw 2 Redstarts one with some grass in its beak. We then got secreted behind a hedge &[and] in a short while the bird entered a hole in a wall I

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watched it fly in &[and] out several times &[and] <took> I carefully noted the situation of the hole We then went on to Woods Farm &[and] Saw a Starling fly out of one of the

outbuildings I got up to the hole but the nest was too far in to get at with- -out removing
Some
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of the stones. We then went in to breakfast at 7.15 13th Called at room at Hebden. &[and]
bought bookcase for 5/- he would sent it to Headingley. At night I went to the Grange &[and]
found Hutchinson &[and] 2 o[the]rs rook shooting with my little gun they shot 4. &[and] It
gave me a Jackdaw which his Father had
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shot on the 11th. We caught a young rook which I brought home &[and] put in the aviary
14th. Called in the morning at Wilks &[and] took gun barrel to have extractor fitted. &[and]
ordered 25 Cartridges to be ready at. 1.).Pm at which time I called. he wanted to charge me
4/-
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for extractor but took 6d[pence] off. paid 5/3 for gun repairing &[and] cartridges, after dinner I
went to the Grange &[and] tried for some starling eggs. I could only get at 1 nest which
contained 2 eggs &[and] 3 young birds. We then went thro[ugh] the woods &[and] shot 2
Willow Warblers &[and]
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1 Whitethroat. We then went to the rookery. &[and] shot 4 young rooks. 1 falling to me.
Which I took home I had a few shots at some Swallows &[and] brought one down hit in the
head &[and] badly damaged after leaving I went to the place where I had seen the redstarts
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Found Magpies nest 4 eggs took 2 the 12th. &[and] removing a few stones &[and] saw the
nest containing 1 egg which I left and carefully replaced the stones. The accentor's egg.
Noticed on <page> the 10th had disappeared thanks to the boys. Several other nests which
I knew contained eggs had been - robbed. At night
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about 10.0 when I was skinning the Jackdaw. Hutchinson and Fullerton called &[and]
brought me a live hedgehog which I put into the aviary on the 15th. on which date I first
heard one of the caught Blackbirds singing. One of the Rooks which we shot

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had a white claw on each foot and the one I shot had a white one on one foot. 15th J.A.K. Fasquith W.H.W.W. &[and] myself had a walk thro[ugh] Lawnswood &[and] found the remains of birds recently killed near the tree containing the Hawk's nest At night I was

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at Allison's &[and] he showed me a thrush's nest in the garden containing 5 eggs. I believe they are deserted as they were quite cold and the old bird was not on the nest I left the eggs. in the nest. 16th Skinned the Swallow in the

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moving. Adamson sent part II of proceedings of the Geological Club to the Office, this (Monday) morning I found the rook dead in the aviary Ed Mellish said he had seen the hedgehog fighting it last night Last Sat[urday]. the Nat[uralist] Club had an excursion to

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Boston Spa I did not go &[and] consequently a meeting of the club to night for exhibits, I did not attend but sent rook's feet with white Claws. At night I went to Scott's &[and] let him read draft letter to Fortune respecting Ranie's letter to

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Fortune, 17th. sent the letter. and at noon I went with W.H.W. &[and] Kendall to the baths for the 1st time this season I dived from high board. 18th Wallace sent a live young rook and at night I went with J.A R to Redstart's nest &[and] found the bird on the nest

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which contained 5 eggs I took one. Fortune sent me a grey wagtail which I skinned on the 19th Besides taking the egg out of the Redstarts [sp?] nest. one egg rolled <ro> out of the nest, but as it was quite dark. I did not attempt to find it, as I thought

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that I might break it if I touched it father brought home 2 young rabbits which he put into a separate cage in the aviary 19th I went with Archie Ramsden to Meanwood &[and] found the Chaffinche's nest noted on the 9th containing a broken egg. the Wren's nest

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which then had one egg in now contained six. I took 5.: leaving one. the Water Hens nest then noted was still empty but in coming back I found another one about 5 yards from the bank so taking off boots &[and] stocking &[and] doubling up

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my trousers I commenced, my first step before I reached the water was quite 1 foot into the mud. I proceeded further going deeper every step &[and] when about 2 yards from the side the water was above my knees +&[and] my feet I don't know how

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deep in the mud added to this that it was nearly dark I was in no enviable position- my trousers now slipped down so I resolved to go to the nest &[and] by the time I got there I was up to the hips in slime the nest contained

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4 eggs: I naturally took the lot. I was even worse in returning &[and] by the time I got out I was one mass of wet &[and] dirt. I found that having placed my boots too near the water they had nearly sunk out of sight &[and] were quite full

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of water &[and] mud I wrung out my socks &[and] pour the stuff out of my boots &[and] put them on, during the whole of the performance <it> the rain was pouring down &[and] without doubt this was the worst pickle I had ever been in in my life

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on arriving home I had a bath put my trousers into a tub and went to bed. 20th. Getting up at 5.30 I went to the park to see how the Redstarts were getting on, the hen flying out I removed the stones &[and] found 4 eggs in the

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nest <the> so that only 1 had been laid since the 18th I got the 1 egg<s> which had rolled out of the nest &[and] left the 4 eggs eggs in &[and] replacing the stones went to the Farm &[and] noticed the Starling coming out of the hole (noted on the 12th.)

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I could hear the young ones chirping, I saw one of the Farm men &[and] he said that the lads would kill the young starlings as when old they sucked the pigeon's eggs I told him that the rats did that &[and] not the starlings but he said the lads

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would not believe that so I went up to the roof &[and] after a great deal of trouble managed to get at the young ones they were just getting feathers so I asked the man to tell the "lads" that I would take the young birds for them

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in a weeks time I find that one of the moor hen's eggs which I took last night is bruised. Noticing that the young rook in the aviary was lame. I took it out &[and] found that one of its feet was broken I splintered it up &[and] put it back again

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Wallace told Father that he could let him have a nest of 4 Mag[pie]s A game keeper had shot the old birds &[and] then taken the young ones which latter he sent to the bank. he wished us to bring them up and

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give him one for <his trouble in> getting them. At night I went with Booth to Adel, &[and] he found a nest of Lapwings with 4 eggs in it which he took &[and] another with 1. which he gave to me. I however left it (&[and] noted the position) so that I might obtain the 4

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when they were laid, in looking for another nest. Booth chanced to come across a young snipe nicely feathered which he took. 21st Up at 5.30. &[and] blew the eggs. viz[videlicet = namely] 2 Moorhens (I had blown the other two previously.) 5 Wrens. 5 Thrushes

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3 Robins and 1 Restart (16). Found the young rook dead. At 1.30. I set out for Adel Moor in the rain &[and] called on Scott but he being out I had to go alone. I first went to the reformatory but Twiggi was out. I then went over Adel Moor

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but found nothing passing thro[ugh] the farm yard I saw some common buntings (E. Miliaria) and a large number of Greenfinches feeding on the grain in the barn. I noticed that some starlings occupied the dove cotes with the pigeons &[and]

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on asking one of the Farm men he said that they lived very peaceably together. I then proceeded to the Dam &[and] saw in addition to the usual Coots &[and] Moorhens a [female] wildduck with 5 young ones swimming after her, I saw a pair of linnets

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and the Coukcoos*[Cuckoos] kept up their "Song" almost incessantly I watched several Lapwings but came off with my usual luck passing on to the place where I knew the 1 Lapwings egg was I found that no more had been laid

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I then saw a pair of P Cristatus rise &[and] going to the place I noticed when about 30 yards off something moving rapidly in the grass I thought these must be young birds especially as the old ones were very vociferous above

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when I got to the place I could see nothing. so planting my stick in the ground as near as I could tell where the old birds had risen I began to search. The old birds dropped on the ground about 20 yards

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from me but <l> they did not feign lameness for when I advanced towards them they ran away from me &[and] if I ran, they took to flight I tried this experiment 2 or three times &[and] then went back to my stick In about

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2 minutes I saw 1 of the young ones about 2 ½ inches long. Squatted close to the ground. after about 5 minutes search<e> I found another and almost immediately a third. I then looked about for about ¼

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May. hour &[and] was just about to give-up when I came across the 4th (a complete nest)
22 Sunday. I went to the Grange: but not finding H.H. in I had a walk round alone. I found a
Greenfinche's nest in a holly bush. on a branch &[and] not in a fork containing 4 eggs
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quite fresh. I took both the eggs &[and] nest. going further I found a Hedge Accentor's nest
with 4 eggs in it rather incubated. I took them but owing to it being built in a thick thorn hedge
I could not get the nest I also found a blackbirds and a thrush's nest each
[59]

containing 4 eggs &[and] <?> Thrush sitting. turning back with the intention of going home I
met Fullerton who was going to the "Big House" so I went with him &[and] Hutchinson whom
we found there gave me a ,[male] Thrush which he had shot for
[60]

me, we found a nest of 3 young blackbirds built In the ground when we got near the young
birds which could nearly fly.- fluttered out of the nest. I ,[male] and 2 [female] I took them
home. I looked very innocent walking down the lane on a
[61]

1887 Sunday afternoon nevertheless I had in my hat a Greenfinche's nest in my breast
pocket a box containing 8 eggs in my tail pocket a dead thrush &[and] under my coat tails in
a paper bag 3 young blackbirds. 23rd May. The young magpies
[62]

which Wallace had died this morning. Skinned Thrush &[and] 1 Lapwing at night I went to
the farm with WHW.W. to try for the young Starlings and if possible to catch the old bird on
the nest. After trying about for some time I gave it up, when the
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Account at Dodgsons May ",D[ebi]t ",Cr[edit] Jardines B[ir]ds ", ",<6 ",3> ", ",11 ",6
Adams "[ditto] ", ", 2 ",9 ", ", ", 11 Johns "[ditto] ", ", 6 ",3 ", ", ", * Max Kromer ", ", 1 ",2 ",
", ", 24*Ruben's Dream ", ", 1 ",2 ", ", ", By Cash. ", ", ",2 ", ", ", *W.H.W. £[pound] ", -
",11 ",6 ", - ",11 ",6
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old bird flew out of another hole it was quite dark &[and] I found that I had been to the wrong one, so leaving for the present. We went to the Redstarts but the old bird was not on the nest so We then proceeded to the Starlings nest noted in a hole

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in a tree near the Grange. mentioned on the 14th as containing 3 birds &[and] 2 eggs. The entrance to the nest was in a bole of the tree &[and] a passage about ½ yards down led to the nest I found the old bird on the nest &[and] I took her and then got out the 5 young ones

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with great difficulty as the hole was only just large enough to admit my arm, putting the old bird in a cage &[and] the young ones in my pocket we went back to the Redstarts but the old bird was not on the nest which only contained 4 eggs which were quite

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cold. So concluding that the nest was deserted I took both the nest and eggs. Which latter appeared both to Willie &[and] myself in the darkness of a pinky hue and not at all blue. We then went back to the Starling in the farm but the old bird had not returned so

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taking one of the young ones I came down from the roof in a rapid manner for my foot slipped. I was surprised that all the young ones in my pocket were not killed when we got home I put the old &[and] y[ou]ng starlings into the large canary

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breeding cage. I should have written that before I went after the birds I took 2 negative of WE Asquith 2 of W[illia]m H.W. Waite &[and] 1 of ER "[ditto] all Cabinet size I went on the Mrs Asquiths &[and] she gave me a large bird cage. Booth told me

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that on Sunday (the 22nd) the Lapwings nest noted on the 20th contained 2 eggs 24th. Developed neg[ative]s of W.E.A. WHWW &[and] ERW(5). &[and] found them to be splendid. The Starling did not take much notice of the young ones but fluttered about the aviary 25th When I got up this morning

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Fullerton brought me alive pigeon (aviary) about 6.0 I found the Starling busy feeding the young ones. The other hen blackbird- juv[enile] was dead. but the old cock blackbirds (one in especial) were feeding the one remaining ,[male] which seemed to be very lively- got a letter from H Coning inviting WHW &[and] ERW[aite] to

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go to York on Saturday- &[and] stay over (Whit) Sunday &[and] monday. I wrote thanking him &+[and] accepting his offer Also wrote to Reg[inald] Wigram re[garding] the matter upon which <which> I called on him on the 10th. At night I painted monogram on bag &[and] set off for Adel I met W Ramsden

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who turned back &[and] went with me, it had been raining all day - and was still coming down very heavily. We went to the place where the Lapwings eggs were noted on the and found 3 eggs in which I took if I had waited longer I perhaps should have got a fourth

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but on the other hand some one might have walked off with the lot so that taking this into consideration &[and] the distance I had come I took the three. Coming back I left W[illiam] Ramsden<s> at the top of Shaw Lane and I went to Allison's, Albert

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despite the rain went with me to the farm we going thro[ugh] Miss Hewitson's Garden for a short cut I went up to the Starling's nest in the farm buildings, but the old bird was not on, and as the young ones were well feathered I took them 4

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in number and 1 which I had taken previously made 5 in all. 26th May. I put the 4 young Starlings into a basket in the aviary and very soon the old Starling began to feed them so that she now had 10 little mouths to fill having got up at 5.30

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I gave my monogram another coat &[and] at 6.30 WHW &[and] I set off for a run to Headingley station Where we got weighed I in my slippers and without my breakfast weighed 9 st[one] 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ lbs[pounds], WHW here left me &[and] I went thro[ugh] the park from the Kirkstall end I called at the

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tree where I took the starling's eggs on the and found that there were some more eggs in precisely the same place &[and] that the "nest had been rebuilt, 2 young starling's died this morning At night Archie Ramsden called on me &[and] we went together to the

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park &[and] I climbed the Magpie's tree in Balltiffe's Wood noted on the 12th &[and] found <3> 5 eggs in the nest quite warm the old bird flew off on our approach we then went to the tree where the Starlings had built which I climbed &[and] extracted the eggs 6 in number in

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the same manner as before viz[videlicet = namely] thro[ugh] the bottom of the nest. the first egg I came to was a very light one &[and] was quite cold, there was a lot of hay &c[et cetera] above this- before I came to the others which were quite warm &[and] much darker. It would

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almost seem as though the bird had laid an egg too light <for her> in her opinion &[and] so had built more material above it &[and] so covered it &[and] then laid the other 5 darker ones, for these were rather incubated while the other<s> one was perfectly

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fresh, I then climbed the other tree noted on the (as containing 4 eggs 2 of which I took) <empty> and found it empty A Magpies- leaving Archie Ramsden I went to Hutchinson with whom I found Fullerton. Who had got another hedge- hog but as I

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did not want it we let it go 27th. Blew, the Plover's Redstart's &[and] Starling's eggs. &[and] at noon to <ha> dinner had pudding made with the 3 Lapwings eggs. Got pipet- glass tubing and india rubber pipe all for egg blowing at Reynolds &[and] B (7d[pence]) Got leave. of absence from Office from

[84]

11'oclock on Saturday when WHW &[and] Self intend to go to Strensall Common The starlings are immensely fond of boiled carrot. 28th Left Leeds at 11.0 per return ticket for York where we arrived at 12.0 &[and] proceeded to Goodramgate intending to take train after,

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Booth & Scott with us to York station) to Strensall, but Mr Coning said that owing to the military operations being carried on ready for the camp we should not probably find so many birds there as we expected and as he offered to give us an introduction to some relatives of his at Shipton

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who were farmers we abandoned the Strensall idea & accepting his proposition we proceeded to walk to Hall Moor Farm a distance of 5 miles. On reading Mr. Coning's letter Mrs. Clarke gave us full permission to go where we liked & do what

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we liked, & sent one of her little boys as a guide procuring a ladder I climbed to a Sparrow's nest in a House Martin's edifice & found that it contained only one egg. rather incubated I next climbed to several House Martin's nest & found 1 with

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3 eggs in it which I took, we chased a young robin up & down a shed & eventually caught it, the young lad then showed us a nest. which he did not know the name of I found it to be a winchat's with 6 eggs in

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it. he said it was deserted so I took both eggs & nest. I found a Ring dove nest in a hedge a seven feet from the Ground containing 1 egg which I took. He (the boy) also showed us a partridge nest containing 2 eggs. We

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managed to bag 1. We then went back to the farm & had some milk & cetera & found that we had only 30 minutes to catch the train in & the people said that they did not think we should do it. & on Starting Mr. Coning saw

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that we ought to allow ourselves $\frac{3}{4}$ of an hour. not knowing how far the station was off. We set off at a good trot & arrived at the station (Shipton) with 10 minutes to starting time so I looked at my eggs & found 1 Winchats &

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28/5/87. Weighted at Shipton in Boots 10 St[one]. 1 lb[pound]. 1 Martins egg broken, which I left, the train was ½ h[ou]r: late in arriving at Shipton So We had 40 minutes to wait at the station Whit Sunday May 29th 1887. In the morning we all went to the Friends Meeting House and in

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the afternoon H.E W &[and] Self had a walk &[and] inspected the barracks at night H.E.K. Liz W. &[and] Self. Went to service at the Minster &[and] afterwards had music until bedtime Whitmonday May 30th. Mrs. Coning Eldon the 2 youngest Children &[and] myself drove to Hall Moor Farm while Mr. Coning Liz &[and] Kit Walked

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I climbed 2 or 3 fir trees after some Ring dove nests but did not get anything until I saw an old bird fly off the nest &[and] was rewarded by finding that it Contained 2 eggs. Which I appropriated we found a Willow Warbler nest empty &[and]

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also a Sparrows in a tree. All them going home except Eldon &[and] myself who were joined by Mr. Clarke's Sons. We found a lark's nest with 3 eggs in it. after having tea Eldon &[and] Self set off to walk to York &[and] reached there just in

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time for another tea to which we did justice being very hungry &[and] "jolly well tired. We all then went to the Trades Exhibition at which Julien's British Army Quadrilles was performed by 4 bands of music- viz[videlicet = namely]

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Lancers,- Leicestershire Bedford Regiment &[and] the York Militia there was firing blank Cartridge from the Rifles in the Hall &[and] the Artillery*[Artillery] blazing away in the grounds. 31st May. Owing to the hard work I had the previous day I did not wake this

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morning &[and] was not called up until 6.45 &[and] as the train started for Leeds at 7. 50 &[and] 25 minutes walk to the Station we had not over much time to spare Especially as we had to pack out things including the eggs. however we managed

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to do it having taken return tickets <to Leeds> from Leeds.- Having holiday from 1.o'clock Willie & I went for a stroll thro[ugh] the park, & in the evening went to Allison's & <he> played tennis & invited M[?]A & Albert to our house on Friday
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& on our way home asked Miss Brook also- I forgot to write that on Monday we spent a large part of the time in rabbit<s> hunting with dogs we got 9 altogether and had an exciting Chase after 2 young Meadow pipets
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of about ¼ mile they were pretty strong on the wing but we managed to run them down On Tuesday (31st) afternoon I climbed to the Magpie's nest in Baltiffs Wood but it had no hatched the 5 eggs the old bird made a noise as I was climbing
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the tree »[reference mark] Ring dove's egg take on the 28th broken in Bag & another Ho[use] Martins Cracked »[reference mark] I also had a look at the Thrush & Blackbird nest seen on the 22nd The thrush with 4 eggs but the blackbird had laid another 5 in all.
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1st June/87. Kendall paid me £[pound]1.1.0 for his music Lessons. 2 yet due. 2nd June While passing Mrs. Reids House at noon She called me to the window & told me that JAR was not able to go out as he had a bad leg I promised to see him at night and accordingly I called on him
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& found that he was suffering from a swollen vein in his leg which- threatened to be a varicose vein while there he gave me a book "British Insects" by Rev[erend] J G Wood and Mrs Reid gave me "Vignettes from nature by Grant Allen. All the remaining young
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Starlings died while I was away. at York, 4th <May> June . I went with Archie Rawsden to meanwood & found the the Water Hen whose eggs I had taken on the pro[?] had laid again & I found another nest containing 5 eggs the wrens egg which I left in the nest had
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Song of Yellammer from Musical Times May 1887 [musical notation] been taken. We went thro[ugh] the Park (Meanwood Park) but found nothing after tea. I went alone to the Grange &[and] found that the thrushes nest contained 4 young birds &[and] the Blackbirds 3 young birds &[and] 2 eggs. I also

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found another Green- finche's nest with 5 eggs in it not 2 yards from the one noted on the pr[?] but as some of them appeared chipped I only took one. I then went into the shed where the swallow's usually breed but could not see any signs of their nests

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I went to some sparrow's nest 1 contained 1 egg which I put into my mouth and broke &[and] another contained young birds while the remainder were empty. On my way home I found another greenfinche's nest containing 3

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1 cwt[hundred weight] 24 $\frac{3}{4}$ lbs[pound] 26/5/87 in Slippers Head[ing]y Station ----- 10
st[one]. 1 lb [pound] in Boots 28/5/87 York ----- 587/4 AMS587/4

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