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## IN BITING REPLY TO CRITICS JACK MINER CHARGES CROW IS SPREADING HOG CHOLERA

"I'd Sooner Have a Hog Direct From Quarantine Pens to Mix With My Porkers Than to Allow Crows to Congregate in the Same Field With Them," Declares Kingsville Naturalist in Re-counting His Observations.

(Staff Correspondent Toronto Globe.)  
Kingsville, Jan. 30—Jack Miner to-day scratched another entry on his long crime sheet against the crow.

That wily bird, on trial before the court of public opinion of Ontario, now faces an even more serious charge than any preferred against him heretofore. It is a charge which may prompt his agriculturalist champions to "stop, look and listen" before again crossing—if they cross—the tracks of argument laid by the famous Kingsville bird authority in his campaign to reduce the "flying rats," if not to a point of extermination, to a state, at least, of 95 per cent depletion.

Dispensers of Hog Cholera.

"Hog cholera? Yes, I'll charge the crow with spreading that!" said Jack Miner to The Globe today, after careful perusal and consideration of the mass of newspaper comment on the crow-corn-borer controversy which had mounted up during his absence on a two weeks' lecture tour in the Middle States. "Why, I'd sooner have a hog direct from the quarantine pens to mix with my porkers than to allow crows to congregate in the same field with them. Yes, I said hog cholera! Thirty-five years ago, when the crow migrated out of Canada—disappearing early in October, and not being heard of again until February or March of the following year—everybody had hogs, but very little hog cholera. And if you will look back over the history of the last 15 or 20 years, since the crow started to pest us the year round, you will find that cholera outbreaks in Southwestern Ontario have been common to the fall season of the year. Why? Think. The Way of the Vulture.

"Some farmer, unconsciously careless, allows a dead hog to lie in the field for a while, and when he goes to bury it he discovers that the flocks of crows, moving everywhere at this time of the year, have all but eaten it up. From one field to another, from one district to another, and from one country to another, these birds move. And the next thing we learn is that a general outbreak of cholera is reported and that thousands of porkers are being cremated or buried, while in large centres great numbers of people line up before soup kitchens trying to get something to eat. Is there any man so insane as to contradict my charge that the crow is a cholera spreader? Now, you judges, please weigh this instance of harm-doing against any good the crow may be doing in the case of the corn-borer and tell me how the scales read."

Don't Overlook the Leghorn.

That 99 per cent. of crow marks in a corn field lead to ears of corn, was the contention raised by Mr. Miner, who, while admitting that the bird will eat the borer, and anything else through which he can get his bill, states emphatically his failure to see in the past where a crow has done any more good than an ordinary Leghorn chicken turned loose in the same field would have accomplished.

"I have tracked Mr. Crow very carefully in the last two years," said Mr. Miner, "and from evidence of his activities I have drawn the conclusion that he is of no general help to the corn crop, but that rather he combines his force with the borer in destroying our grain."

Commenting further on the borer situation, Mr. Miner pointed out that his net trap with which he caught 510 birds at the first drop, and with which he has accounted for nearly 2,000 crows to date, is useless when the snow in the fields is sufficiently low to expose the corn ears. When the ears are hidden the birds are easily baited. But, all this time, the corn stalks with their infestation of borers protrude from the snow and are accessible to the birds in their hunt for food.

"Tempting Borer" Is Passed By.

"If the crow is as cunning as my critics maintain," said Mr. Miner, "why does he pass up the tempting borer food to stick his head in my trap? And another thing; I'd like to say that the borer established itself here in the midst of millions of crows. Why did the birds ever let the grubs get a start if they're such death on them?"

Mr. Miner says that he is no "dog in a manger." Last year on his sanctuary property, he raised 20 acres of corn with which to feed his migrating geese.

"If I thought for a moment," said he

soberly, "that the crow was putting down the borer—and I have the borer in my crops, too—it would be a bright move on my part, wouldn't it now to destroy the robber to the extent that I have done and intend to do?"

Advocates 95 Per Cent Depletion.

Denying charges that he intended to exterminate the crow, or ever had contemplated such a program Mr. Miner added that it was not his desire to exterminate any species of bird or animal life—the sparrow of timber wolf, even. But he felt that in the interests of the country these pests should be cut down at least 95 per cent. In announcing that he had a sparrow trap almost completed and that he had been devoting considerable study to a new and satisfactory system of trapping the wolf, Mr. Miner supposed that further racket from his "mule in a tin stable" critics would be raised on the ground that he again was interfering with the progress of nature.

"Necessarily we must consider," said Mr. Miner, "that all these creatures were put here by the Great Provider for a purpose, because, according to His Word, they were made before man. But when man was made he was given dominion over them. Now, it is our lot to control them, and if they ever go wrong—and we learn of it—we must consider ourselves in duty bound to rectify that wrong."

Contemplate a Cat Pest.

For purposes of illustration, Mr. Miner asked what the earth would be like in ten years if the cats were left to multiply and the surplus was not humanely destroyed.

Has the crow gone wrong?

Jack Miner says he has. Forty years ago, as a boy, he hunted the crows because the birds destroyed the corn. He used to locate their nests, destroy the young, and then wait, shotgun in hand, for the return of the parents, when he would imitate the "caws" of their offspring.

"Believe me," Mr. Miner told The Globe, "many a proud papa brought food to the wrong baby those days! Why did I kill those birds? I'll tell you why. When I took them by the tails and shook them, the eggs and the poor little things that would have been song-birds, some still alive, too, spewed out of the cannibals' throats."

"I have given this matter a lifetime's careful consideration, and I will go as far as to say that the crows through destroying the eggs and young of the song, insectivorous and game birds, are a greater drawback to the increase of those birds than all the hawks and cats put together. The crow will take young mourning doves and robins out of the nest when they are as big as English sparrows, while the mothers of those innocent and desirable birds look on as helpless as a human mother trying with her bare hands to protect her babies from a starving lion."

Evidence of Crow Lawlessness.

A great deal of photographic evidence of crow lawlessness of this kind was produced by Mr. Miner, who spoke at length of the loss inflicted indirectly upon the farmer through the crow's depredations against the insectivorous birds.

"Crows take robins wholesale," said Mr. Miner, "and yet from actual observation I know that one robin will carry as many as three cut-worms in one trip to her babies. And I have known a single cutworm to cut down five tomato plants (before replanting) in a single night. The crop of a dove four boys and I once dissected contained 1,790 weed seeds, and the crop at the time, was not half filled. So when some one tells you a mourning dove will destroy 10,000 weed seeds in a day, believe him!"

Challenging his critics to present evidence that the crow ate weed seeds, Mr. Miner went on to say that all birds ate the corn-borer, suggested that the tiniest insectivorous bird which is the easiest victim for the crow may be destroying the borer in the wing stage, and thereby at a far greater rate and in a more effective manner than the crow, notwithstanding his gluttonous nature, ever could hope to accomplish.

Dreaded Enemy of Song Birds

At the north side of the 200-acre Miner farm is 15 acres of natural second-growth wood, 20 years of age, the privacy and quiet of which not even cattle are permitted to disturb. Usually stowed away in the top of

some trees is a crow's nest. According to Mr. Miner not a robin's or dove's time, although during the month of nest can be found in that wood at any time, although during the month of June alone a hundred such nests can be spotted in a less natural and suitable nesting ground within 300 steps of the Miner home.

"Why is this?" asked Mr. Miner. "Because the birds know that whenever a crow shows his nose near my doorstep, all they have to do is cry 'murder' in the air and one of us will be out to give that black robber the hottest 'two-barrels' reception of his black and dirty life."

From 3,000 to 5,000 doves roost in his trees near the house, in August, September and October. They bend the limbs down with their weight, and Mr. Miner fears he'll have to plant more seedlings soon, if the birds increase in numbers.

"Why do they come there?" said he. "For the same reason the robins come—for protection. Now, imagine two pairs of crows being allowed to nest near by. How many other nests of young would be raised there? To use the late gauge of one of my critics, you could count the number on the fingers of one hand."

Is Serving the Muses

While on the subject of inhumanity, Mr. Miner returned the punches of some of his critics, saying that they were as concerned about the welfare of the crow as they purported to be they might demonstrate their feeling for him in a practical way by providing food for the thousands of birds which die every winter, around evergreen clumps, from exposure and disease. "I want you to know," said Mr. Miner, in concluding his interview, "that I am 100 per cent. North American. I am heart and soul interested in what is best for the most people. I do not wish to favor any one. My wish is that we all may have life and have it more abundantly on this beautiful earth, where we are sure of it."

"I have taken God at His word and have studied along that line of 'dominion over all.' Now that I have the means to control the crow, we can either exterminate 95 per cent of his numbers, as I suggest, or let him go."

"If it is ever proved to me that the crow is better alive than dead I will throw up both hands and combine my force with his, but if by destroying him I can show the public that I can save the song and insectivorous and game birds and increase their numbers, then the public will treat me fairly, I'm sure, and will be behind me in my work."

## BOYS DROWN TRYING TO SAVE LIFE OF DOG

Benton Harbor, Mich., Feb. 3.—Two boys Jimmy Lane, aged 11 and his brother Richard aged 6 were drowned here Saturday afternoon while trying to save their dog Buster from drowning in Paw Paw River.

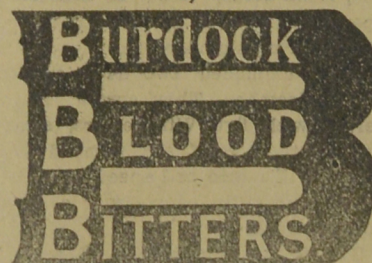
The boys with a playmate, Porter Mercer aged 9, were playing on the bank of the river near where men had been cutting ice. The dog ventured onto the ice and fell into open water. Seeing the animal struggling to regain a footing Jimmy Lane went to his assistance. He fell in also. His brother Richard tried to pull him out but likewise fell in. Both boys were drawn under the ice by the current, which is rather swift at this spot. The dog swam ashore.

Porter Mercer gave the alarm but by the time help arrived, no trace of the boys could be found. The Sheriff's office here has wired to the United States Engineers Office at Grand Rapids for permission to dynamite the river in an effort to recover the bodies.

## A Pimply Face Is Unsightly

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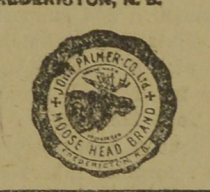
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