

of a quarter or a half a dollar. This, <sup>410421-53</sup> 10" outside  
to the nest edge. The wren sang at 100 feet <sup>path led from?</sup> was flushed from  
this nest. no eggs but nest in perfect condition for nesting. While  
examining this nest 5 pine siskin flew over and to the north.  
9:20 first lizard observed. Surprised at the apparent lack of  
these lizards in the canyon. arrived at cliffs at 9:25. Found  
the neotoma present but no nests of either the raven or the falcon.  
however it appeared as if it had been used by these birds at  
one time because of the dry stick base of one structure. Tarnished  
around top for some time. near the top examined an area  
150 square feet and found 20 Cedar beetle. (green thorax, reddish  
brown elytra and hairy). This area was continuous for some  
distance and supported just as many beetles as the area  
checked. The area was ground covered with *Erodium cicutarium*  
and were no doubt attracting these beetles. These beetles  
were flying above & resting upon the *Erodium*. Have observed  
several *Castilleja* in full bloom, others just developing.  
Leaving cliff area <sup>at 9:30</sup> and flew on visiting cliff outcropping  
to the west and in other canyon to north. On this ridge  
above cliffs found several dusting bowls of the rabbit.  
4 Rock wrens calling to the north. Immature grasshoppers.  
9:40 jumped cottontail rabbit from artemisia. 9:50 2 spurred  
Towhee on pass. John reports mt. lion on mountain last week.  
Government trapper giving chase. 10:05 Prairie falcon &  
red tail hawk flew by to the north. 10:10 arrived at small  
cliffs as observed from the main cliffs (of 9:25). These cliffs  
are on the north side of the ridge in canyon north of Israel.  
but are too small in size to support a large nest such as a  
raven or a falcon. One large neotoma nest and talus  
debris below. From this debris pick out two nice *Erithizon*  
skulls of a mature age. Below these cliffs one finds  
a beautiful grove of *Arceuthobium montana*. Beneath these  
trees and among them is found solid covering of *Pachystima*  
and phlox. Was even difficult to trail a fresh deer  
trail through it. From here continued west to top of ridge  
looking down into Cedar valley arriving at 10:20 A.M.  
Canyon jay nest <sup>(old)</sup> in juniper 8 feet high in a 10' tree. Continued  
north a few hundred yards to edge and terminal of ridge and  
then back. at 10:21 saw one *Eut. d. atobensis*. Phlox matting  
the ground in places but no flowers 10:25 W. Crested nuthatch  
10:30 arrived at most northern point. Fresh deer tracks.  
From this vantage point John reconstructed the history of  
Cedar valley as based upon his own observations and from  
his father's diary which describes the valley. He says that  
his father first saw Cedar valley as a valley of tall, waving solid