

trapping area for the martin, is <sup>one of the favorite</sup> located on the north east exposed of South Fork at the junction of that canyon and the Provo Canyon. At this point the heavy and continuous stand of conifers tongue down from the Cascades into the bottom of the canyon. In the late eighties I trapped the slope of conifers on the west slope directly above the present Newcan Park and found it to be the best trapping area in the canyon. Several other martin were also trapped on the more accessible conifer slopes farther up the canyon.

In the late eighties there were two types of wildcats, one larger than the other. Also there was an intermediate cat-like animal between the mountain lion and the wildcats and which had a large head. It was characterized by its quick response to anything placed in its way such as a hat or a stick. I have never seen an animal so agile and quick. It was called a lucifer in the fur dealer terminology.

Several grizzly bears were taken from Hubble Creek and Diamond Fork canyon in the early eighties.

The swift fox was frequently trapped in the mountains east of Provo. The red fox was the more common fur of the foxes which was brought to the store. Late eighties.

The average number of furs purchased by the Robert Bee - Stephen Bee fur buyers in the late eighties and early nineties was from 25,000 to 50,000 muskrats and from 1,000 to 2,000 mink. This partnership was one of the original and prominent fur handlers from Provo Utah County. They handled approx 75% of the mammal furs trapped by local trappers.

I purchased a beautiful silver fox fur from a trapper while enroute to Scaffold. This trapper had trapped several other silver fox in the head of White River at Soldier Summit but was only willing to release but one of the skins and at a price of \$30.00.

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Dad reports that in 1894 mountain lion skins were brought in to his fathers store and purchased for \$1.50 a fur. The trappers were discouraged in bringing in these skins because of such a poor market for them. They had no real market except as trophies.

In the early nineties the mink were found along the banks of Provo River from its convergence with Utah Lake to the mouth of Provo Canyon.