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Committee on Migration.

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St. John, New Brunswick, 188

P.S.

If you can send me a copy of the subscription list I will return it to you in a few days.

I send a few things will try to prepare more. Don't like these & shall feel badly if you don't print them - only send them to let you see I am "traping"

I have been taking some liberties with the

A.O.C's name in getting my migration "fixins" ready. I have a hard district. I want a hundred stations or more + only a dozen men I can safely call upon, the rest must be made. I shall have to introduce the A.O.C. to some of them — they have never heard of it. — They will hear of it tho'. I send samples of said "fixins".

MC

J. A. Allen Collection

American Ornithologists' Union.
Founded, New York, Sept. 26, 1883.

Boston July 11. 1884

My dear Chief.—

I have only time tonight to say thank you for your very kind and instructive letter / I was sure you would deal gently with an unbeliever & I would not have dared to write so boldly / and to reply to the business portion of it.

I did not intend the A.O.U. to be troubled with the bill for the advertisement I asked permission to have inserted in a few papers. I will arrange that. Don't misunderstand me — dont think me too much interested about the auk and the A.O.U. affairs. I want to get at the amateurs in general and the Canadian in particular — I want them instructed

I return you agree with me about advertising. I agree with you in the A.O.U. for having — The Ex Chairmen of the Bulletin / (not a supervisory / committee) to [illegible] Things I have [illegible] Let us pay — & put the [illegible] here — to do in the A.O.U. — [illegible] among the new we must [illegible] such as the people & Roberts always.

I note what you say in [illegible] thereare few names [illegible] Ford circular inclosed [illegible] one has [illegible] there you next. — Have not [illegible] & lots of suggestion as to [illegible] report of.

Yours very [illegible]

encouraged - ~~elevated~~ - dignified.
brought out - I am merely making
use of the Ark for this purpose.

Quixotic? yes! I am amusing
myself.

Apart from this - don't you think
the A.O.U. will expect the editorial
staff to ~~run~~ manage the affairs of the Ark
as will be best for the magazine's
and best for the general interest of
the society? & want we be doing
simply our duty to both & to ourselves
by "pushing" the magazine & extending
it subscription list? ~~and~~ I do not
think a little ~~co~~ judicious advertising
will be a bad investment - not a lot
of splurgy stuff, but the simple
statement of the ~~paper~~ magazine editorial
~~staff~~ staff and the work ~~at~~ which it is
proposed to enter upon - & etc - and this put
in a few leading papers & magazines.

Thank for advice & opinion
I concur agree with you
altogether Baetz.

Then the argument with C.F.K.
that we are the
only the magazine
of the A.O.U. is not worth
one cent to the Ark - You
with a deep knowledge
+ they are well paid by a
when on his Praetorian
as the Ark is no
of will be nothing. If I
would stay take this first
my opinion, moved to it
this mailing, a few
me a quota.