

"The gamest bird I ever shot.
The most toothsome morsel I ever ate.
My friend! the bobwhite" (Virginian quail).

"Man alone makes a practice of killing wantonly. With all the advantages his superior mental equipment has brought him he remains the most inexcusably savage of all living things. The form of savagery known as sport becomes intensified in proportion to the so-called civilisation attained. Civilisation, however, will never deserve its name until it realises and acts upon the principle that killing for fun is not a legitimate activity of a civilised being."

HUGE LOSS ON GOLD-WINNING.

On many occasions New Zealanders have acted against the line—"save the surface and you save the lot," used as a slogan by American paint-makers. Many thousands of acres of soil have been sluiced away by gold-fossickers. Country which would have been a real wealth-yielding asset in perpetuity has been lost. What a lop-sided exchange! What a presentation for posterity!

It seems impossible to convince some persons that it is infinitely more important to conserve soil which yields materials for food, clothing and housing than to swish it away in the search for one haul—an immediate cash return of gold.

The picture shows the high-pressure jet from a pipe, scouring soil away.

