

the soil is intensified in many districts by high rainfall.

As the shores of this country are mainly not far removed from deep

water the "spoil" carried away by flooded streams is generally not available for the formation of additional coastal areas.

The Trail of the Vandal

The illustration below—a reproduction of a photograph of part of a notice set up by the Forest and Bird Protection Society on a tree in a Sanctuary—shows the bullet-marks of vandals who used the sign as a target.

NATIVE BIRDS

They are necessary to your well-being in that they protect the forest from insect pests, they fertilise the forest tree flowers and attend to the proper distribution of forest tree seeds. Swamp birds, sea birds, and all with few exceptions are of benefit to you.

They are your heritage to be cherished and are, moreover, unique and wonderful.

Caution to Vandals, Poachers, Collectors, etc.

They are almost without exception protected by law. Any person who takes or kills any of these birds (including pigeons and nearly all varieties of sea birds), or takes or has in his