with the long, deadly metallic blue tail, was "far wuss than a harnet's"!

The gun is the farmer's worst enemy. If sparrows and wood pigeons tend to demand higher wages than he is disposed to pay for a few weeks of the year, his expedient course is to declare a lock-out at harvest and sowing time or when fruit buds are suffering. The gun should be discarded for the intelligently contrived scarecrow. The less a scarecrow looks like an undertaker's man (as he generally does) and the more he looks like the ghost of the de-

ceased, the more crows and variegated fowl will he scare. His dress should be white robes, not black raiment, and he must be moved every day or two. The Ku Klux Klan will benefit American yet. When the frenzy of its passion for vindicating the principles of the Home of Liberty by tarring and feathering shall have cooled, there will come a year of bumping crops for up and down the billowing seas of wheat hungry birds will have been put to panic-stricken flight by scores of thousands of the most perfect scarecrow yet devised by man.

