In all our days of search we saw ~~many~~ large number of birds but not a single white heron. We spent a month or a half ~~searching over~~ 200 miles of lake and swamp. In that time we talked with many hunters and followed the last bit of evidence we could get concerning white herons. Pause

~~12 * Its strange very Fortlane Comments~~

Our last hope lay in the colonies that formerly lived on ~~at~~ Clear Lake at the head of Lost River. This was thirty miles to the east, but when we were told by a responsible party who had visited the place, that some hunters had cleaned up several hundred dollars in heron plumes and killed the remnants of the colony that formerly thrived in that section, we gave up the hunt and returned home. Pause

13 * Small colony where Cal. Gulls nested.

~~White heron extermination in Clear Klamath Head in Northern Lake region~~

~~Trail~~

But these showy birds have been exterminated in Klamath County. We hoped to find them in So. California while there during the summer of 1906. They were formerly common about Tulare Lake, & talked with the men who made $40.00 & $50.00 a day shooting these birds while they lasted in that part of the country. Thousands bred there formerly but it seems now they are a thing of the past.

We had covered two of the places where white herons lived. An old hunter told me of Malheur Lake in Eastern Oregon.

white herons still live, it is Malheur Lake in eastern Oregon. This has been, and is now, the greatest hunting ground in the West." From two other hunters I got much the same information the following year. We should have gone to Lake Malheur in 1906 or 1907, for I am told some of these white birds were shot there during both seasons.

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