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Dear Eliot---

Left Philip Vaudrin, of Oxford University Press, in ecstasy this morning.

He was halfway through your photographs and asking, "Do you know any reason why a book like this wouldn't sell?" I said I knew people like my very conservative family would lose their minds over it, to say nothing of photographers and bird people.

He said, "Anybody would love it." He will communicate directly with you, sending me a carbon. He's a swell guy, crisp and direct; I think you'd like him as much as Beau and I do.

Here's luck!

