

During the three month stay, I was surprised by the lack of mosquitoes wherever we went. Snakes were also few, so it seemed, since I personally saw none alive. We did see a few lizards and iguanids, but they were interesting to watch. I have only good recollections of the country and am looking forward to a return trip someday and wish to thank Dr. Loftin for the enjoyable time I had while I was there.

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A UNIQUE BREEDING RECORD: SAW-WHET OWL (PART 2)
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This note is a postscript to my paper in the July-August 1968 EBBA News (Vol. 31, No. 4, pp. 174-177) in which I related the story of the second known breeding record of the Saw-whet Owl (*Aegolius acadica*) on Long Island, N.Y. since 1879. Adults and young were last seen in the area on June 15, 1968.

The present writing concerns the adult female Saw-whet Owl, a parent of the five young described in the earlier paper. This bird, banded with a size 4, lock-on band, No. 524-21171 on April 7, 1968, was recovered by a Mr. Timothy Lindsay in South Portland, Maine on January 12, 1969. Still alive, it was found wounded (BB-shot in left eye) sitting docilely on the ground. Mr. Lindsay brought the owl to Mr. Douglas L. Marston, Regional Biologist of the Maine Fish & Game Dept. nearby and it was Mr. Marston, a bander himself, who sent a form 3-1807 to the banding office. Earl Baysinger kindly sent me this form, because interesting comments in the remarks section of the form shed further light on this interesting recovery.

Mr. Marston writes as follows: "I picked up bird from Lindsay on morning of January 13, 1969 and it was taken to Dr. Ladd Hildebrand, Vet., for treatment of eye injury. Antibiotic applied to eye Jan. 13, 14, 15. BB shot fell from eye prior to treatment by Dr. Hildebrand. Bird died January 15, 1969 while in my possession. Post-mortem examination indicated mechanical injury to skull above right eye and this undoubtedly resulted in death".

Of course, needless to say, I was grieved that this bird had met a cruel death by a hunter, as I had hoped it would breed in the area again. On the other hand, however, we now have a record of a bird which went to winter, north of its breeding area. This is certainly interesting.

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