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GENERAL NOTES.

Æchmophorus occidentalis in Kansas. — I wish to place on record the capture on the Kansas River at this place, on Nov. 3, 1887, of a young male of the Western Grebe, *Æchmophorus occidentalis* (Lawr). It was shot by a colored man, who brought it to me as a curious bird. The species has never before been taken farther east than Manitoba and the Gila River in New Mexico. Its capture here extends its eastward range more than a thousand miles. The following measurements were taken :