

Setophaga ruticilla.—Quite common.
Galeoscoptes carolinensis.—Quite common.
Harporhynchus rufus.—One seen.
Sitta carolinensis.—Quite common.
Parus atricapillus.—Common.
Regulus satrapa.—A few seen on Ossipee Mt.
Regulus calendula.—A few seen.
Turdus aonalaschkæ pallasii.—Quite common.
Merula migratoria.—Common.
Sialia sialis.—Common.

One each of *Haliaeetus leucocephalus* and *Vireo gilvus* was observed at Centre Harbor in passing through. — FRANCIS H. ALLEN, *West Roxbury, Mass.*

CORRESPONDENCE.

[Correspondents are requested to write briefly and to the point. No attention will be paid to anonymous communications.]

The proper Name for the Genus *Melanipitta* of Schlegel.

EDITORS OF THE AUK:—

Dear Sirs: In the 14th volume of the "Catalogue of the Birds in the British Museum," p. 449, published in 1888, Dr. P. L. Sclater has proposed to substitute *Coracopitta* for *Melanipitta* of Schlegel (type *Pitta lugubris* Rosenb.), the latter name being preoccupied. I would call attention, however, to the fact that as early as 1885 I replaced *Melanipitta* by *Mellopitta* for the same reason, my name consequently having the priority over that of Dr. Sclater. The change was made in the 'Standard Natural History,' IV, Birds, p. 466.

Yours very truly,

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Washington, D. C., Dec., 1888.

NOTES AND NEWS.

MR. HENRY STEVENSON, of Norwich, England, a Corresponding Member of the A. O. U., died August 18, 1888. In 1864 he was elected a member of the British Ornithologists' Union, and was one of the founders, and for many years President of the Norfolk and Norwich Naturalists' Society, to whose 'Transactions' he was a frequent contributor, as also to the pages of the 'Zoölogist.' As an ornithologist he is perhaps best known as the author of a work entitled 'The Birds of Norfolk,' Vol. I of which appeared in 1866, and Vol. II in 1870. the work remaining unfinished at the time of his death. "To those who en-