

GENERAL NOTES.

Name of the Large-billed Puffin.—The A. O. U. Committee (Check-List N. A. Birds, No. 13 *a*) seems to have been misled in quoting Temminck in connection with this bird, and also in citing Stephens, 1826, for the original description. The bird appears to have been first named by Naumann, Isis, 1821, p. 782, pl. 7, fig. 2, credited to Leach. Stephens's Continuation of Shaw's Gen. Zool., as quoted of 1826, XIII, p. 40, I have not verified, but believe the correct citation to be 1825, XIII, p. 40, pl. 4, fig. 2.—ELLIOTT COUES, *Washington, D. C.*

[*Cf.* Auk, XIII, p. 189, April, 1896.—EDD.]

Record of a Fourth Specimen of the European Widgeon (*Anas penelope*) in Indiana.—A fine adult male of this Duck was killed on the marshes of the English Lake Shooting and Fishing Club at English Lake, Indiana, by Mr. John E. Earle of Hinsdale, Ill., on the 23d of March, 1896. It was flying in company with a small flock of Baldpates when shot. Mr. Earle has had it mounted and it is now in his possession. This specimen makes the eighth record for the interior, including the one cited by Mr. Frank S. Wright of Auburn, N. Y., in the 'Ornithologist and Oölogist,' Vol. VII, p. 133, as taken on Lake Cayuga, N. Y., in May, 1880. This record I had previously overlooked. In a recent letter from Mr. Wright he informs me that he still has this Duck in his possession.—RUTHVEN DEANE, *Chicago Ill.*

Recent Occurrence of the Florida Gallinule in Southern Maine.—Two immature male specimens of the Florida Gallinule (*Gallinula galeata*) have recently been taken on the 'Dyke' marsh in Falmouth, near Portland. The first was shot on September 20, 1894, and is preserved in the collection of Mr. W. H. Rich, of Portland. The second was shot on September 30 of the same year, and is in my own collection. Both of these birds were seen by me before they were preserved.—HENRY H. BROCK, *Portland, Me.*

Baird's Sandpiper in Michigan.—In 'The Auk' for April (Vol. XIII, p. 174) I find mention made of the taking of *Tringa bairdii*, Baird's Sandpiper, at Grand Rapids, Michigan, the writer stating that it was the second or third, or perhaps the first ever taken in the State. During the past few months a number of letters have reached me, making inquiries in regard to this bird, to which I wish to make the following reply through 'The Auk.'

In 'Birds of Michigan' by A. J. Cook (second edition), page 59, I find the following: "*Tringa bairdii*. Baird's Sandpiper. This species is embraced in Covert's 'Birds of Michigan.'"