

The three eggs collected April 19, 1897, measure, respectively, $.79 \times .58$; $.80 \times .58$; $.78 \times .58$. The ground color is very faint bluish-white, — lighter than in *A. sanctorum*, — heavily marked all over with large blotches of raw umber and smaller spots of lilac; these markings much heavier than in *sanctorum*. A few hairlike lines of blackish run over small end of one egg and about its small diameter. Nest larger than that of San Benito Island species, made of salt grass and lined with fine shreds of grass and a few feathers of *Larus*.

The setting parent was flushed from this nest while I was about fifteen feet distant, and became very uneasy in voice and action. A careful search revealed the nest, sixteen inches from the ground, in a tall bunch of glasswort, the top of which was bent over and in to form a covering. The eggs were concealed from a top view, and entrance to the nest was possible from one side only. The taking of incubated eggs at this date, and of laying females in June, shows that two broods are raised in a year.

GENERAL NOTES.

The Pacific Kittiwake (*Rissa tridactyla pollicaris*) in Lower California. — On March 17, 1897, I shot a fully adult Pacific Kittiwake, at San Geronimo Island, Lower California, about 200 miles south of the United States boundary line, thus extending the known range of that species to Mexican waters.

For the past three winters I have found the Kittiwakes of regular, though not common occurrence, off San Diego, California, and about the Coronado Islands. — A. W. ANTHONY, *Portland, Oregon*.

Capture of the Short-tailed Albatross on the Coast of Southern California. — The Zoölogical Department of Stanford University, California, has been recently presented with a fine specimen in the flesh of *Diomedea albatrus*.

It was taken at San Pedro, Los Angeles Co., Cal., on April 3, 1898, by Mr. Cloudsley Rutler, who shipped it to the Museum of the Department.

This bird being of rather uncommon occurrence on our coast here, I send this notice of its capture. — ROBT. B. McLAIN, *Stanford University, Cal.*