

## GENERAL NOTES.

**Black-capped Petrel in New Hampshire.**—Recently Mr. Henry W. Osgood sent me a photograph (see Plate XXII) of a Black-capped Petrel (*Estrelata hasitata*) taken at Pittsfield, N. H., August 30, 1893, but not hitherto recorded.<sup>1</sup> The locality of capture is forty miles from the sea. The specimen was a male, and fell, in an exhausted condition, near Mr. Osgood's home. Its stomach was empty. This is the first record of the species for New Hampshire, though previously reported from Vermont.

This straggler from tropical seas has the following North American records: (1) Near Indian River, Florida, winter of 1846 (Lawrence, Ann. Lyc. Nat. Hist. New York, IV, p. 475). (2) Quoque, Long Island, N. Y., July, 1850 (Lawrence, Ann. Lyc. Nat. Hist. New York, V, 1852, p. 220). (3) Blacksburg, Va., Aug. 30, 1893 (Smyth, Auk, X, 1893, p. 361). (4) Oneida Lake, N. Y., Aug. 28, 1893 (Bagg, Auk, XI, 1894, 162). (5) Toronto, Canada, Oct. 30, 1893 (McIlwraith, Birds of Ontario, 1894, p. 414). (6) Vermont, place and date not recorded (Allen, Auk, XI, 1894, p. 241). (7) New Paltz, Ulster Co., N. Y., Jan. 26, 1895 (Foster, Auk, XII, 1895, p. 179). (8) Cincinnati, Ohio (two specimens), Oct. 5, 1898 (Lindahl, Auk, XVI, 1899, p. 75). (9) Augusta, Ky., Oct. 4, 1898 (Lindahl, Auk, XVI, 1899, p. 75). (10) The New Hampshire specimen recorded above—ten records, eleven specimens.—J. A. ALLEN, *Am. Mus. Nat. Hist., New York City.*

**Holboell's Grebe in Lancaster, Mass.**—A live Holboell's Grebe (*Colymbus holboellii*), a young male, was found in Lancaster, Mass., February 15, 1904, by one of the local sportsmen and given to me. It did not seem injured in the least, and lived in confinement for nine days. It was found in a marshy meadow near the main street, near several houses.—JOHN E. THAYER, *Lancaster, Mass.*

**European Widgeon in Southern California.**—A male European Wid-

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<sup>1</sup>Since this note was sent to the printer I have received a copy of Mr. Glover M. Allen's 'A list of the Birds of New Hampshire' (Proc. Manchester Institute of Arts and Sciences, IV, Pt. 1, pp. 23-222), in which (p. 69) occurs the following: "A single specimen was captured at Pittsfield, in Merrimack County, in August, 1893, and beyond an anonymous paragraph in the Boston Sunday Herald ('93), appears not to have been recorded. The bird is now in the mounted collection of Mr. William Brewster, No. 46,076, catalogued under date of August 30, 1893. Doubtless the bird was blown up the coast by the tropical hurricane of the last week of August in that year," with also Nos. 3, 4, and 6 of the above list.

In a letter just received Mr. Osgood confirms Mr. Allen's statement that the New Hampshire specimen, recorded above, is now in Mr. Brewster's collection.