

have not the slightest doubt but that a careful search will prove it decidedly common in that locality.

Mr. Hunt's record of the Kentucky Warbler is considered by him to be the only record from southern New Jersey. On July 3, 1904, I observed two individuals of this species at Manahawkin, a locality still more southern than Pensauken where I again observed it on May 21, 1907. Though undoubtedly rare, it is probably of regular occurrence.—RICHARD C. HARLOW, *Edge Hill, Pa.*

Rallus virginianus Breeding in the Delaware Valley.—In 'The Auk' for January, 1908, p. 81, a correspondent appears to infer that the nesting of the Virginia Rail is rare in the location above mentioned. I find already recorded the nesting of this species as follows: In the 'Abstract of Proceedings of Delaware Valley Ornithological Club, Vol. IV, p. 5, three nests on the Delaware marshes below Philadelphia. In 'Cassinia' for 1903, p. 51, two nests at Richmond, Philadelphia, in the river marshes. In 'The Oologist,' Vol. III, p. 46, there is a record of five nests of this bird found in Chester County, Pa. One of these sets is in my collection. In 'The Oologist,' Vol. IV, p. 2, two additional nests are recorded from the same locality. This bird breeds not uncommonly in the extensive marshes along the Delaware River and its tributaries to at least twenty-five miles south of Wilmington, Del. I have a set of 7 eggs collected near Odessa, Del., July 19, 1903, and I have seen the bird in the nesting season near Rehoboth, Del., just below Cape Henlopen, and almost one hundred miles south of Philadelphia, Pa.—C. J. PENNOCK, *Kennett Square, Chester County, Pa.*

Nesting of the Virginia Rail in Philadelphia County, Pa.—During ten years or more of persistent search the writer has failed to find more than two nests of the Virginia Rail (*Rallus virginianus*) in north Philadelphia County, Pa., and consequently regards the bird as a rare summer resident. The two nests in question were found on May 28, 1903, in a marsh at Richmond, Philadelphia, well in the city limits, and to my chagrin they were subsequently deserted.

Several times the birds have been since seen during the summer, and a diligent search made for their nests, but without success.—RICHARD F. MILLER, *Philadelphia, Pa.*

Nesting of the Coot in Philadelphia County, Pa.—The Coot (*Fulica americana*) is a common transient in the Delaware Valley, and has always been regarded as such by the writer, despite suspicious stories of its occurrence during summer told to me by gunners of questionable veracity. This was my belief until the summer of 1906, when I learned of the undoubted breeding of the Coot in this district.

On August 21, 1906, a gunner observed a Coot with six half grown young swimming together in a reedy tide-water pond at Richmond, Philadelphia,