

recorded by me in 'The Auk,' XXV, 1908, 217-218. ARTHUR T. WAYNE, *Mount Pleasant, South Carolina.*

Whistling Swan—A Correction.—Through a typographical error my record of *Olor columbianus*, Whistling Swan, at Elizabeth, N. J., October 29, 1916, on p. 120, January 'Auk' appeared without a question mark, and as it turns out, the identification was wrong. Mr. W. De W. Miller, of the American Museum of Natural History, to whom I reported the capture of the bird, also saw it and he has kindly notified me that the specimen (a young bird) was not *O. columbianus* but was *Cygnus olor*, the Mute Swan, which he states is now naturalized and wild on the Hudson River and the coast of New Jersey. Dr. Stone also informs me that one of this species was found dead on the ice at Beach Haven, N. J., January 8, 1920 and that another obtained on the south Jersey coast narrowly escaped being published as a Trumpeter! Swan records of the future must evidently be carefully scrutinized.—CHARLES A. URNER, *Elizabeth, New Jersey.*

An Egret (*Herodias egretta*) Record from Oswego County, N. Y.—While recently examining a small local collection of mounted birds, I was somewhat surprised to find an excellently preserved specimen of the Egret. The bird was shot in August, 1887, at Mexico Point, Lake Ontario, by E. E. Chapman of this village. Although there are a number of published records of the occurrence of this species in the interior of New York, it must be remembered that the Egret is only an occasional summer visitant here, and that its presence at any time is at once worthy of note.

The present specimen was apparently mounted by a good taxidermist, and has been carefully kept all these years in a glass case. The plumage is remarkably white; moreover, the black of the legs and feet, the yellow bill with its blackish tip, and the orange lores—all appear as fresh as though the bird had been taken only recently. Inasmuch as the case could not be opened, it was possible to estimate, only, the total length, etc., of the mounted bird; however, it was evident that its measurements would be about the minimum usually given for the species. THOMAS L. BOURNE, *Hamburg, N. Y.*

A Late Record for the Red-backed Sandpiper.—While collecting on a small island near Gimli, Lake Winnipeg, Manitoba, June 27, 1916, I secured a finely plumaged Red-backed Sandpiper (*Pelidna alpina sakhalina*). This record hitherto unpublished is interesting because of the appearance of this arctic species at a point only fifty miles north of Winnipeg at a time so late. The individual was an adult male showing no abnormality or sign of recent recovery from injuries and having gonads highly developed. J. NELSON GOWANLOCK, *Hull Zoological Laboratory, University of Chicago, Chicago.*

Sanderling on Nantucket in December.—My son Captain George H. Mackay, Jr., while shooting on December 24, 1920 at Nantucket,