

They occurred in small parties and as single individuals, sometimes associated with Horned Larks. They were less shy than the Larks, and they had a practice, which the Larks did not share under my observation, of retiring to protected spots amongst the grasses and weeds of the Point where, if undisturbed by myself they remained quietly for long periods as if they had sought rest and shelter. A few midwinter specimens were taken and may be found in the collection of the Portland Society of Natural History. The latest date in spring season which I have seen the species fell in 1911. On March 21 of that year I came upon a highly colored bird, apparently a male, which was feeding alone, perhaps two hundred yards from the beach, in the road leading to Pine Point railroad station. I walked within six feet of it, and, occasionally flushing it, kept it closely under my eye for several minutes.—NATHAN CLIFFORD BROWN, *Portland, Maine.*

**Nelson's Sparrow in Chicago.**—On May 27, 1922, I took a fine male specimen of *Passerherbulus n. nelsoni* within the city limits of Chicago, in the swamp between Hyde and Wolf Lakes, near where Dr. E. W. Nelson took the type specimen in 1873. As the sparrow migration is over by that time, and as there were two that were flushed together several times, it would seem that this species breeds there. Two of this interesting species which I had taken at Addison, DuPage County, were found in a cat-tail swamp, where there was a foot or so of water. These two were on higher ground surrounded by marsh and did not take refuge in the swamp when flushed repeatedly.—C. W. G. EIFRIG, *Oak Park, Ill.*

**Leconte's Sparrow near Chicago, a Correction.**—In volume XXX of 'The Auk,' page 239, I had stated that a Henslow's Sparrow taken by me on March 28, 1910, at Addison, DuPage Co., Illinois, makes the spring arrival of that species begin earlier in this region than stated in Woodruff's 'Birds of the Chicago Area.' In looking over my skins I find that this was no Henslow's Sparrow at all, but the rarer Leconte's Sparrow (*Passerherbulus lecontei*). This, however, also proves an earlier spring arrival than given by Woodruff, who gives the middle of April for it.—Henslow's Sparrow has also been taken by me at Addison, as well as in many other localities near Chicago.—C. W. G. EIFRIG, *Oak Park, Ill.*

**Vermivora leucobronchialis in Venezuela.**—In a small series of Venezuelan birds recently received by me from the firm of S. Briceño and Sons is a specimen of *Vermivora leucobronchialis*, secured on April 10, 1920, at "Hechicena" (as near as I can decipher the name), in the Merida region, at an altitude of 2500 meters. This skin, now number 263916 in the National Museum, is marked on the original label as a male, but judging from the colors it is in all probability a female.

As far as I can ascertain, this is the second record for this supposed hybrid south of the United States. The first notice seems to be that of a male now in the Tring Museum, secured April 8, 1895, at El Valle, in the