

exclude them. The manner of hunting corresponded exactly with that described by Eaton in his 'Birds of New York.'—S. C. BROOKS, *Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N. J.*

Hawk Owl in Vermont.—Mr. Arthur H. Hardisty of Shelburne, Vt., writes me that he shot a Hawk Owl (*Surnia ulula caparoch*) on November 19, 1926. "It was apparently hunting along the roadside when killed and proved to be a male in perfect plumage. It contained a meadow mouse (*Microtus*)—LEWIS O. SHELLEY, *East Westmoreland, N. H.*

The Carolina Paroquet in Western New York.—In tabulating recently, some data from notes made many years ago while residing in Buffalo, N. Y., I came across the subjoined item, which in some way had escaped my attention and remained unrecorded until now. While it is of historic value only, it will help round out the rather fragmentary knowledge of this little "parrot."

"Mr. David F. Day informed me to-night (Dec. 20th, 1889) that he once saw thirteen Carolina Paroquets light on the old City Buildings, Cor. of Franklin and Eagle Streets, and that he knew of a lot being captured at West Seneca (N. Y.) many years ago."

Mr. David F. Day was a practicing attorney in Buffalo; his avocation was botany and his knowledge of the flora of western New York was most profound, so much so that Gray drew heavily on it in preparing his 'Manual of Botany.' Mr. Day was also keenly interested in birds, knew most of the local species very well, though he did no special work in ornithology. My experiences with him in the field leads me to put full trust in his bird identifications, a trust I see no reason even at this late date, to question.—W. H. BERGTOLD, *Denver, Colo.*

Arctic Three-toed Woodpecker at Guelph, Ontario.—On November 20, 1926, within the city limits of Guelph, Ontario, my attention was directed by a loudly repeated bird-call which I immediately recognized as that of some species of Woodpecker I have never before heard. The bird approached in rapid, but deeply undulating flight, uttering its loud cry at each undulation, and alighted in typical woodpecker fashion on the bark of one of the larger branches of a white elm from 15 to 20 feet from the ground and not more than 20 yards from me. It clung there, head up, for about five minutes without moving its body; nor did it tap on the bark in search of insects. Once or twice it turned its head to one side to look behind, but seemed to be resting. I made a careful examination with the aid of 8 × prismatic binoculars, and its size, about that of a Hairy Woodpecker (*Dryobates villosus*), shining black upper parts and white under parts, proclaimed it a female Arctic Three-toed Woodpecker (*Picoides arcticus*). There was a north-westerly wind blowing, the temperature being slightly below freezing, and about an inch of snow lay on the ground. The bird had chosen as its resting place the south-easterly side of the tree and bough.