

Arizona Hooded Oriole (*Icterus c. nelsoni*), and Pink-sided Junco (*Junco mearnsi*). This remedy might tempt us to increase the number of bird names referring to localities, which are already too numerous, and could advantageously be replaced by others of descriptive significance.

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RHODE ISLAND BIRDS

EDITOR OF 'THE AUK':—

Dr. Frank M. Chapman feels that Miss Dickens's record of the Black-throated Gray Warbler in Rhode Island should be sent to you to be added to the records of that species near Miami, Florida, made last winter (See Louis A. Stimson, *Auk*, 60, no. 3: 452-453, July, 1943). The actual date of observation of this warbler as made by Miss Dickens at her home on Dickens' Point, Block Island, is May 14, 1943. The June issue of our 'Bulletin of the Audubon Society of Rhode Island' (4, no. 3: 2, 1943) gives her account and also (p. 1) the Editor's comment. In Forbush's 'Birds of Massachusetts and other New England States,' I find the Black-throated Gray Warbler pictured on Plate 84 and the following references with description:—Recorded in Milton, Mass., May 22 and 23, 1918 (a pair, male heard in song)—Miss Ella F. Luther; Lenox, Mass., Dec. 8, 1923, one seen and found dead the next day; specimen now in the collection of the Boston Society of Natural History; Malden, Mass., one seen May 18, 1924, an adult.

The same number of the 'Bulletin' (p. 3) notes the gift of the Harry S. Hathaway collection of Rhode Island birds and birds' eggs, library, and field records to the Audubon Society of Rhode Island. These represent some fifty years of collecting, observation, and study, and possess an increasing historical significance. A detailed description of the collection is in preparation.

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