

Catherpes mexicanus conspersus. CAÑON WREN.—Last spring Mr. C. deB. Green of Fairview, B. C., was convinced that the Cañon Wren was a scarce though regular breeder in the extreme southern portion of the Okanagan Valley in the semi-arid interior. He was unable at that time to place the identification beyond a doubt by the capture of a specimen. I have just received from him a rough skin of a male taken the third week in March of this year at McIntyre Creek, a mountain stream which flows into Okanagan River from the east, some twenty miles north of the International Boundary. It was one of a pair that were evidently nesting at that early date, so the species will probably prove to be a permanent resident in that district. Mr. Green has since located another breeding pair near the north end of Osoyoos Lake.—ALLAN BROOKS, *Okanagan Landing, B. C.*

Some New Birds for Colorado.—Since unavoidable circumstances have prevented the publication in this issue of 'The Auk' of a lengthy article on Colorado birds, it seems best to present here a short note on the occurrence of four species hitherto unrecorded for the State.

Sterna hirundo. COMMON TERN. One was noted May 14, 1908, at New Windsor by Geo. E. Osterhout. The specimen was sent to the Biological Survey for identification.

Butorides virescens. GREEN HERON. One at Loveland, July 23, 1895, by Edward A. Preble of the Biological Survey.

Spizella pusilla arenacea. WESTERN FIELD SPARROW. One at Yuma, May 9–11, 1908, by Miss Jennie M. Patten, who for the past six years has been reporting bird movements to the Biological Survey.

Helminthophila chrysoptera. GOLDEN-WINGED WARBLER. One May 25, 1906, at Yuma, by Miss Patten.—WELLS W. COOKE, *Biological Survey, Washington, D. C.*

Notes concerning Certain Birds of Long Island, New York.—A few data concerning the occurrence of certain of the less commonly observed birds of Long Island and of facts regarding the time during which others, less rare, extend their stay within our limits, are herewith presented. Most of them have been kindly furnished me by other observers.

Porzana carolina. SORA. A specimen of this rail was obtained by Mr. Robert L. Peavey, of Brooklyn, at Seaford on the unusually late date of December 24 (1908). This date is two months later than the previously ascertained limit of its occurrence here in autumn, as given in 'A List of the Birds of Long Island, New York.'

Coturnicops noveboracensis. YELLOW RAIL.—Three additional occurrences of this bird for Long Island have been made available through Mr. Robert L. Peavey. All were secured recently, two during the later months of 1908, one in January, 1909. One of the specimens, taken by Mr. Peavey and by him presented to the Museum of the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences, has been already recorded by Mr. George K. Cherrie, curator



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