

Curiously enough on the 28th, Mr. G. H. Jenkins observed apparently the same European Widgeon in a flock of Baldpates about ten miles farther north in the Yahara Marshes and also missed a shot.—A. W. SCHORGER, *Madison, Wis.*

**The European Widgeon in Massachusetts.**—Messrs. Angell and Cash, the well-known taxidermists of Providence, Rhode Island, have kindly given me permission to report that an adult male European Widgeon (*Mareca penelope*), recently skinned and mounted by them, was shot at Chappaquiddick, Vineyard Sound, Massachusetts, October 6, 1917, by Mr. Arthur R. Sharpe. The specimen has been identified by Mr. Arthur C. Bent and Mr. John C. Sharpe, Jr. It would be interesting to know whether, as would seem to be the case, this old world species visits our Atlantic sea-board oftener now than formerly or is found there oftener merely because competent field observers of bird life are so much more numerous and omnipresent than they were thirty or forty years ago.—WILLIAM BREWSTER, *Cambridge, Mass.*

**Little Blue Heron in Pennsylvania.**—I wish to record two Little Blue Herons, *Florida cærulea*, male and female, in the white plumage, August 11, 1908, taken on the Conodoguinet Creek opposite the city of Harrisburg, Pa., for the Pennsylvania State Museum by Assistant Taxidermist W. J. Durborrow. These two birds were found in company with a flock of egrets. They were mounted and now form part of a group of Herons in the Pennsylvania State Museum.—BOYD P. ROTHROCK, *State Museum, Harrisburg, Pa.*

**Northern Phalarope (*Lobipes lobatus*) in Michigan.**—Professor W. B. Barrows has evidently overlooked an earlier record of the Northern Phalarope (*Lobipes lobatus*) in Michigan, when he states that two specimens procured in Sanilac Co., on Oct. 4 and 28, 1911, "seem to establish the bird properly in the Michigan List." (*Auk*, 1916, 336.) In 'The Auk,' 1913, p. 111, I recorded a ♀ taken in Lenawee Co., Sept. 14, 1899, by Dr. C. M. Butler, No. 170517 U. S. National Museum, which seems to constitute the first authentic record in the state.—B. H. SWALES, *Museum of Zoölogy, Ann Arbor, Michigan.*

**Sharp-tailed Grouse at Tremont, Indiana.**—Although familiar for many years with the Indiana dune region I never saw the Sharp-tailed Grouse (*Pediacetes p. campestris*) there until April, 1915.

A party of us were ascending Mt. Holden, a high dune about 200 feet high, just west of the Beach House of our Prairie Club, at Tremont, when I noticed some large tracks, like chicken tracks. We went quietly up the dune, and at the top saw a large grouse-like bird. It was not the least afraid of us, and allowed us to come about fifteen feet from it, giving us