INTERESTING RETURNS AND RECOVERIES

A Brown Towhee (Pipilo fuscus) banded near Watsonville, California, Jan. 13, 1947, by W. M. Davidson, was found dead near the place of banding, May 18, 1952. The bird was in at least its sixth year. Mr. Davidson had the unusual experience of being handed the report of capture while on a recent visit to the banding office.

A White-throated Sparrow (47-119785) banded as an immature on Sept. 28, 1948, at Quebec Zoological Gardens, Charlesbourg, Montmorency County, Quebec, Canada, by Raymond Cayouette, was retrapped by EBBA President Raymond J. Middleton, at Norristown, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, on Mar. 4, 1952.

A Slate-colored Junco (47-81958) banded as an adult male on May 1, 1950, at St. Romuald, Levis County, Quebec, Canada, by Raymond Roberge, was retrapped at Easton, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, Mar. 30, 1952, by Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Conway.

President Middleton also reports that this year a pair of Crested Flycatchers again nested in the same box in which they nested last year. He says that this is the seventh time (in thirty years) that he has had both members of a mated pair return after migration.

CHICKADEE MIGRATION, 1951-52 by Eleanor E. Dater

The fall of 1951 gave us a migration of Black-capped Chickadees from North to South. This was noted by many people, but no one mentioned their return this Spring. A check in Bent's life histories showed that there are very few records (two around Ithaca, New York) of banded Chickadees migrating any distance, 3 to 20 miles.

On April 12 of this year (1952), I took a migratory Chickadee (50-65540) which proved to have been banded on March 25, 1952, at the Dumont Banding Station at Pequanock, Morris County, New Jersey, a distance of approximately 18 air miles from Ramsey, Bergen County, New Jersey.

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