

large skeleton, similarly measured, is but a trifle more than twenty-five inches in length.

A life-sized, colored photograph of the bird as it appeared before remounting is preserved in the collection. — F. A. LUCAS, *Washington, D. C.*

**Eggs of the Florida Dusky Duck.** A set of the eggs of the Florida Dusky Duck (*Anas fulvigula*) were taken by Mr. O. A. Quartermain on the Banana River, Florida, May 22, 1889. The set contained ten eggs, which are almost white in color, showing a very faint tinge of green when held in the light. An average specimen measured  $2.15 \times 1.60$  inches. — CHARLES B. CORY, *Boston, Mass.*

**Another Capture of the Widgeon (*Anas penelope*) on the Atlantic Coast.**—On January 11, 1890, I saw a very fine adult male hanging in a marketman's stall in New York City, near Washington Market. On inquiry, I learned that it had been shipped from Baltimore to New York, and doubtless was shot on Chesapeake Bay. It was hanging amongst a lot of Dusky Ducks (*Anas obscura*) with which it was said to have been received. It has been mounted and placed in the collection of the American Museum of Natural History, New York. Its fresh measurements were as follows: length, 495 mm.; alar expanse, 850 mm.; wing, 260 mm.; tail, 116 mm.; culmen, 34 mm.; tarsus, 40 mm.—EDGAR A. MEARNS, M. D., *Fort Snelling, Minn.*

**Capture of a Specimen of *Somateria dresseri* in the vicinity of Ottawa, Canada.**—On November 7, 1889, after a strong easterly storm the writer shot a young male of this species, in the plumage of the female, while flying up the River Ottawa a short distance below the City. This is, I believe, the first specimen obtained in this locality.—GEO. R. WHITE, *Ottawa, Canada.*

**The Red Phalarope on Lake Erie.**—I take pleasure in making the following record of the occurrence of the Red Phalarope (*Cry mophilus fulicarius*) on Lake Erie at the mouth of the River Raisin, Monroe, Michigan. On October 24, 1888, Mr. Ralph Brandreth noticed the bird sitting in the water and shot it. It was in summer plumage. It was mounted, and is now temporarily in my possession.—ROBT. B. LAWRENCE, *New York City.*

**Recent Occurrence of the Turkey Vulture in Eastern Massachusetts.**—Messrs. Goodale and Frazar, the Boston taxidermists, have lately mounted a Turkey Vulture which was shot at Essex, Massachusetts, Nov. 16, 1889. The species has been bought for the Essex County collection of the Peabody Museum of Salem. There are records of four previous occurrences in the State, one by Samuels (*Agr. Mass., Secy's Rep. 1863, App., p. xviii*) of two specimens taken in 1863, another by Maynard (*Nat. Guide,*