

## GENERAL NOTES.

**Brünnich's Murre in Oneida County, N. Y.** — The first week of December last, a specimen of Brünnich's Murre (*Uria lomvia*) was caught alive, a few miles south of this place, by a school girl, on the road between Lime Kiln Creek and Black River Canal. The bird was kept in confinement for a couple of days, when it died. It was offered meat, but refused to eat. As near as I can ascertain the bird was captured December 5, 1894.

Late in December I obtained possession of another specimen of this same species. This one was captured alive by a farmer, about December 15, a few miles south of where the other was caught. It lived but two days in confinement. The stomachs of both birds were empty. Mr. Egbert Bagg informs me that a specimen of this same Murre was caught alive at Utica, December 24. This is the first record of *Uria lomvia* from Oneida County. — WILLIAM S. JOHNSON, *Boonville, N. Y.*

**Brünnich's Murre (*Uria lomvia*) in Connecticut.** — I have a specimen of this species which was shot at Rocky Hill, Conn., Nov. 18, 1893. The man who shot it said it was very tame and that it permitted a very near approach. On dissection it was found to be in very lean condition. This is the first occurrence of this bird in this locality so far as I can learn. — WILLARD E. TREAT, *East Hartford, Conn.*

**The Pacific Kittiwake at San Diego, California.** — About the first of February I noticed a small immature Gull among a flock of *Larus delawarensis* near one of the San Diego wharves, that was evidently different from its associates. One other Gull in the flock seemed to be similar, but as it was an adult its distinctive marks were less noticeable, and owing to the proximity to the wharves and shipping I was unable to shoot either. A week later I saw what I have reason to think was the same Gull, at the same wharf, and identified it as an immature *Rissa tridactyla pollicaris*. The same bird was several times seen feeding about the garbage scow in company with Glaucous-winged, Western, American Herring, Ring-billed, and Heermann's Gulls, and was at all times noticeably fearless, so much so that on two occasions I nearly secured it with a stone. No opportunity for shooting it was offered until Feb. 26, when it was seen alone at some distance from its usual haunt. A few pieces of meat thrown from the door of a boat-house soon brought a swarm of common Gulls, and with them the stranger, which was easily secured. This extends the known range of the species considerably south of all published records.

In this same connection I would mention the probable occurrence in San Diego Bay of *Larus vegæ* the past winter, a Gull being several times seen about the wharves that I think was that species, but as it could not be secured the record is open to question. — A. W. ANTHONY, *San Diego, Calif.*