

markings. The set in question was found at Milford Mills, Chester County, Pa., on May 17, 1894, at which time the nest contained two eggs. Being obliged to leave the locality on the following day, I had Mr. Frank Powell forward me the nest and eggs as soon as the set was complete. On close inspection there is seen a faint suggestion of a few small spots on the larger end of one of the eggs, but this is not noticeable on casual examination. The eggs are somewhat shorter than the ordinary type, but the transverse diameter is greater, thus giving them more of a rounded appearance. Their color, aside from the absence of spots, is normal. There was nothing unusual about the nest, it being composed of dried grass and lined with horse hair. It was built in the forks of a limb of an apple tree in an orchard. — WILLARD L. MARIS, *Newtown, Pa.*

**Junco hyemalis shufeldti** in Lower California. — In looking over a small series of Juncos taken the past spring between Tia Juana and San Fernando, Lower California, I was somewhat surprised to find one specimen that was easily referable to *shufeldti*. Upon turning to my notebook I find that the bird in question was taken on March 29, in the Carriso Valley, about six miles east of Tia Juana and two or three miles south of the United States boundary line. It was a fine male and the only Junco noted in several days' collecting at that point. With the exception of *J. h. townsendi* which, so far as my observations go, is confined to the immediate region of San Pedro Martir, all of the other Juncos that I have examined from the northern part of the peninsula have proven to be typical *J. h. thurberi*. In January, 1894, I secured a single specimen of this race in a willow thicket at El Rosario, the most southern point that I have met with the genus. I found *thurberi* common in the Burro Cañon, a short distance north of Ensenada, in late April, and they may have been nesting though I have no positive evidence of their so doing, so near the sea level.

If it is more than probable that Mr. Bryant's Guadaloupe Island record of *J. oregonus* (Catalogue Birds of Lower California), refers to *thurberi*, that race not having been described at the time the list was published. — A. W. ANTHONY, *San Diego, Cal.*

**Mortality among White-bellied Swallows in Florida.** — During the almost unprecedented cold snap which prevailed throughout Florida in the first half of February, an exceedingly large number of White-bellied Swallows succumbed to the severity of the weather. These were either directly killed by the sudden fall in temperature or were overcome by the scarcity of insect food occasioned by the protracted cold. While I have no information as to the condition of affairs in other parts of the State, it seems reasonable to suppose that what was observed in this section obtained elsewhere.

On February 13, while driving along the stage route between Lake Worth and Biscayne Bay, numerous dead birds were noticed. At New