

GENERAL NOTES.

Occurrence of the Little Blue Heron in Labrador.—On May 23, 1900, a Little Blue Heron (*Ardea cœrulea*) was brought to Mr. Ernest Doane at Lance au Loup, Labrador, by a man who had shot it there a day or two before. Mr. Doane skinned the bird and sent it in a shipment just made to my brother and me. The specimen (No. 4433, Coll. of E. A. & O. Bangs) is a young male just emerging from the white plumage, having some blue feathers in the wings, a few long blue back plumes, and the back, neck and head much intermixed with grayish. While to me, little interest attaches to such wanderers it still, perhaps, is as well to record them, and so far as I know this is the first time the Little Blue Heron, has been taken in Labrador. —OUTRAM BANGS, *Boston, Mass.*

The Marbled Godwit at Pine Point, Maine.—I recently saw for the first time a mounted specimen of the Marbled Godwit (*Limosa fedoa*) which was taken by Mr. Harry Crocker at Pine Point, near Portland, in 1891. Records of this bird in Maine are so few that the following data from Mr. Crocker will be of interest. He writes me: "I killed the bird on either the 8th or 9th of August, 1891. I shot two of them along the shore of the bay at Pine Point. They made no call that I could hear; but, after trying several, I used that of the Yellow-legs, upon hearing which they turned and came towards me. Mr. Benjamin F. Woodward, of Cambridge, Mass., has one of the birds."—NATHAN CLIFFORD BROWN, *Portland, Me.*

The Swallow-tailed Kite at Piermont, New York.—I made an observation this morning (August 22, 1900) that must be of interest. Just at noon, with the sky bright and clear, I stepped out into the yard in time to see a Swallow-tailed Kite (*Elanoides forficatus*) sailing over. The bird passed over me at a height of about one hundred feet and it is quite impossible for me to have been mistaken about the identification. I have seen a number of these birds in the South, and of course have handled the dried specimens. The sun was shining brightly and disclosed all the beautiful details of plumage.

Piermont is on the west bank of the Hudson, and about thirty miles above New York city. —G. L. NICHOLAS, M. D., *Piermont, N. Y.*

The Western Red-tail at Toronto, Canada.—While collecting Hawks north of this city on November 5, 1895, I obtained a good specimen of *Buteo borealis calurus*, male, which is the first time I have heard of this bird appearing in this vicinity. —I. HUGHES SAMUEL, *Toronto, Ontario.*