Black Vulture at Taunton, Mass.—I take pleasure in recording the capture of an adult female Black Vulture (*Catharista urubu*) at Taunton, Mass., on Oct. 5, 1902. This is the first record for the species in Bristol County, and there are but very few records for the State.

The bird was discovered sitting on the roof of a barn, where it remained while its captor went to the house for his gun.—A. C. Bent, *Taunton*, *Mass.* 

Golden Eagle in Middle Southern Ohio.—To my only record of Aquila chrysaëtos for middle southern Ohio as given in the 'Wilson Bulletin' for September, 1902, page 83, I am now able to add another. On Nov. 15, 1902, I received an almost adult female in the flesh, shot Nov. 14, two miles from Waverly, Ohio. It measured: Extent, 2150 mm.; bill, 83 mm. (curvature included); tarsus, 110 mm.; tail, 335 mm.; wing, 620 mm.; length without bill, 820 mm.—W. F. Henninger, Tiffin, Ohio.

Richardson's Merlin (Falco columbarius richardsonii) on the Coast of South Carolina.—Upon looking over some Pigeon Hawks (F. columbarius) that I had packed away for many years, I came across a superb female that struck me at once as being none other than Richardson's Merlin. Upon comparing the specimen with Mr. Ridgway's description in his 'Manual of N. A. Birds' I found the bird to agree perfectly. The secondaries, primaries and primary coverts are margined terminally with white. The outer webs of the primaries (except the second) are spotted with ochraceous. The tail has six light and five dark bands. The specimen is apparently an adult female and was shot and prepared by the writer on October 15, 1895, near Mount Pleasant, S. C.

To what extent the list of South Carolina birds can be increased by the capture of northwestern birds there can be no conjecture.—ARTHUR T. WAYNE, *Mount Pleasant*, S. C.

The Barn Owl on Long Island. — When Mr. Beard made the record of this species in 'The Auk,' Vol. XIX, p. 398, he evidently had overlooked the previous record of the same family of owls in Vol. III, p. 439.— WILLIAM DUTCHER, New York.

Barn Owl in Northern Ohio.—While the Barn Owl (Strix pratincola) is a fairly common bird in the State of Ohio south of Columbus, records of this bird from northern Ohio are rather scarce (cf. Oberholser, Birds of Wayne Co., Ohio, p. 280). In a local collection here I found two mounted specimens, not sexed, of this species, both killed in the fall of 1901 almost within the city limits of Tiffin. One of these had been kept in captivity for about six months by the coroner of Seneca County. A third specimen was seen at the time the others were captured.—W. F. Henninger, Tiffin, Ohio.