

The California Partridge (*Callipepla californica*) in Los Angeles County, California.—In the A. O. U. Check-List for 1895, the range of this species is given as: "Coast region of California, south to Monterey." Mr. H. S. Swarth sent me some time ago several specimens of partridges, which he labelled *Callipepla californica vallicola*, and among them there is a typical *californica*. It was taken at San Fernando, Los Angeles Co., Cal., on Oct. 1, 1901, and is No. 2152 of Mr. Swarth's catalogue. This record extends the range of this partridge about 250 miles to the southward.—ARTHUR T. WAYNE, *Mount Pleasant, S. C.*

The Ruff (*Pavonella pugnax*) in Indiana.—The celebrated Kankakee Marshes at English Lake, Indiana, have yielded records of several specimens of the English Widgeon, but I can now record the capture of a still rarer visitor from the Old World, the Ruff. While visiting the English Lake Shooting and Fishing Club on April 12, 1905, I examined a number of ducks and shore birds which had been killed that day by Mr. Wm. M. Derby, Jr., of Chicago. The latter consisted principally of Summer Yellow-legs and Pectoral Sandpipers, but there was one specimen in the bag which puzzled me. Mr. Derby had been hunting ducks in the marsh, and while moving from one point to another he fired into a flock of shore birds which flew past his boat, killing several "grass birds" and the specimen in question. Mr. Derby very generously presented me with the bird, and after comparing it with several descriptions I felt assured as to its identity, but I am under obligations to my brother, Walter Deane, and Dr. Chas. W. Richmond who, after comparing the skin with other specimens captured in North America, in the collections of William Brewster and the Smithsonian Institution, pronounced it a typical Ruff, though, as is so characteristic with the species, they differ somewhat in size and plumage. The specimen was in moult, pin feathers being conspicuous on the head and neck. On dissection it proved to be a male, though the testes were but slightly developed. As a matter of reference I append (p. 411) as complete a list of all North American captures as I have been able to find.

Dr. Richmond writes me that one of the specimens recorded by Boardman in his list of 1862, "one or two instances," is in the Smithsonian Collection. This is probably the first record for North America. In his 'Catalogue of Canadian Birds,' Pt. 1, p. 177, 1900, Mr. John Macoun records two specimens, a male and female, shot on Toronto Island, Ont., but Mr. J. H. Fleming informs me that the female proves to be a Bartramian Sandpiper. Mr. Macoun is also in error in giving the date of capture of the male as 1875, for it was taken in 1882, and is so recorded in 'The Auk,' Vol. II, p. 336, 1885, when at that time in the collection of Mr. John Young of Toronto, Ont.

North American Records of the Ruff.

Sex.	Locality.	Date.	In Collection of	Reference.
♂	Grand Menan, N. B.		U. S. National Museum	'Cat. of the Birds found in the vicinity of Calais, Me., and about the Islands at the mouth of the Bay of Fundy,' Geo. A. Boardman, Proc. Boston Soc. Nat. Hist., Vol. IX, 1862.
♀	Barnaget, N. J.		Am. Mus. Nat. Hist., N. Y. (formerly in the D. G. Elliot Coll.)	Birds Known to occur within Fifty Miles of New York City, F. M. Chapman, p. 35, 1894.
♂	Long Island, N. Y.	May 18, 1868	Am. Mus. Nat. Hist., N. Y. (formerly in the G. N. Lawrence Coll.)	Birds Known to occur within Fifty Miles of New York City, F. M. Chapman, p. 35, 1894.
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♀ ad.	Scarborough, Me.	Apr. 10, 1870	Everett Smith, Portland, Me.	Forest and Stream, Vol. XX, p. 85, 1883.
♀ juv.	Newburyport, Mass.	May 20, 1871	Wm. Brewster, Cambridge, Mass.	Am. Naturalist, Vol. VI, p. 306, 1872.
♂ juv.	Licking Reservoir, Ohio.	Nov. 10, 1872	Ohio State University	Bull. Nutt. Orn. Club, Vol. II, p. 83, 1877.
♀ juv.	Upton, Me.	Sept. 8, 1874	Wm. Brewster, Cambridge, Mass.	Bull. Nutt. Orn. Club, Vol. I, p. 19, 1876.
♂ juv.	Columbus, Ohio.	Apr. 23, 1878	Ohio State University	Birds of Ohio, Lynde Jones, p. 217, 1903.
♂ juv.	Chatham, Mass.	Sept. 11, 1880	Brookline High School (formerly in the Gordon Plummer Coll.)	Forest and Stream, Vol. XV, p. 186, 1880.
♂ juv.	Toronto Island, Ont.	Spring of 1882	Mus. Geol. Surv. Can., Ottawa, Ont.	Auk, Vol. II, p. 336, 1885.
♀ ?	Raleigh, N. C.	May 6, 1892	Wm. Brewster, Cambridge, Mass.	Auk, Vol. IX, p. 299, 1892.
♂ ?	Cole Harbor, near Halifax, N. S.	May 27, 1892	Wm. Brewster (loaned by Thos. J. Egan, Halifax, N. S.)	Auk, Vol. XXII, p. 410, 1905.
♀ juv.	Alexandria Co., Va.	Sept. 3, 1894	Wm. Palmer, Washington, D. C.	Auk, Vol. XI, p. 325, 1894.
♂ juv.	Camden, Me.	Sept. 14, 1900	John E. Thayer, Lancaster, Mass.	Auk, Vol. XXII, 409, 1905.
♂ juv.	English Lake, Ind.	Apr. 12, 1905	Ruthven Deane, Chicago, Ill.	Auk, Vol. XXII, p. 410, 1905.

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