

is below the 40th parallel, North Latitude, and though I do not assert that they always summer here, I do maintain that they did during 1907.—  
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**The Savanna Sparrow Breeding in Detroit and Hamtramck Village, Michigan.**— One especial ornithological feature of the season 1907 was the appearance of Savanna Sparrows (*Passerculus sandwichensis savanna*) as summer residents on territory not previously occupied by them. Prior to 1906 this sparrow was not known to breed in the county but that season I located a small colony in the village of Grosse Pointe Farms and established a positive breeding record by securing a young bird not yet able to fly well (Auk, XXIV, p. 98). The grounds extending northerly from this colony to the county line and southerly into the city of Detroit were carefully explored without result, but in 1907 this sparrow was common in all suitable places throughout this entire territory. In late May, 1906, I spent considerable time on some large commons in the eastern part of the city and carefully noted all birds, but no Savannas were present. I was again on this commons May 28, 1907, and found them all over it; six males in song being counted while standing at one point. During the noon hour I watched a female to her nest containing four slightly incubated eggs. This was about fifty yards inside the city limits on P. C. 644. In June, 1906, I frequently walked the length of a strip of meadow bordering the Detroit River in River Rouge Village and saw only Vesper Sparrows, but June 3, 1907, six pairs of Savanna Sparrows were present and frequently seen later; and thus it was with portions of Hamtramck, Springwells and Ecorse Townships. The birds were also found in many places not visited in 1906. July 30, 1907, I found this species common and in full song on Section 6, Monguagon Twp.; the southernmost point I reached during the summer. It is thus evident that the breeding range of this sparrow in numbers was extended southward in 1907—a phenomenon possibly explained by the abnormal weather conditions. I have no doubt that isolated pairs frequently nested here in former years and were overlooked. I have substantial proof of this in the possession of a set of five fresh eggs taken by Mr. Herbert H. Spicer, May 28, 1902, in  $\frac{1}{4}$  Section 39, Hamtramck Village. The territory, over which the Savanna Sparrow was a summer resident in 1907, extended from the shore of Lake St. Clair and the Detroit River inland about three miles, and from the north county line southerly a distance of twenty-five miles to Section 6, Monguagon Twp., and probably further. At a few points in Gratiot and Springwells Twps., Highland Park, etc., the birds were noted from one to three miles further inland.— J. CLAIRE WOOD, *Detroit, Mich.*

**The Case of *Hortulanus Vieillot*.**— In my recent paper on the 'Types of Genera of North American Birds,'<sup>1</sup> I took the ground (*l. c.*, p. 23, footnote)

<sup>1</sup> A List of the Genera and Subgenera of North American Birds, with their Types, according to Article 30 of the International Code of Zoological Nomenclature. Bull. Amer. Mus. Nat. Hist., Vol. XXIV, pp. 1-50, December 26, 1907.