

**Black Brant and Marbled Godwit on Long Island, N. Y.**— On March 31, 1908, in a heavy southeaster, while lying in a battery for Brant in the Great South Bay, near Babylon, L. I., a flock of seven came to the decoys. All were seen plainly. Six were of the common variety, while the seventh was so much darker in appearance than the rest, that I immediately shot and secured it. The bird proved to be a remarkably fine old male Black Brant (*Branta nigricans*). I think this is the first Long Island record in a number of years.

The Great Marbled Godwit (*Limosa fedoa*), while never common on Long Island, has become now quite rare, so I wish to record a specimen taken by my brother, Harold E. Herrick, at Lawrence on August 21, 1907, and another taken by myself at the same place July 21, 1900.—NEWBOLD L. HERRICK, *New York City*.

**Ardea egretta in New Jersey.**— On July 6, 1908, my friend Mr. Ralph B. Romaine of New York shot at Black Point, Rumson Borough, Monmouth Co., N. J., an America Egret (*Ardea egretta*). The bird was in company with another which Mr. Romaine writes me "stayed around until about a week ago (July 24) when it was shot, by whom, or where, I do not know."

The specimen was not sexed by the taxidermist, and is now mounted and in the possession of Mr. Romaine, 'The Ledges,' Seabright, N. J.—REGINALD HEBER HOWE, JR., *Concord Mass.*

**American Avocet (*Recurvirostra americana*) in Camden Co., Georgia.**— As I know of no other record of the American Avocet (*Recurvirostra americana*) having been taken in Georgia, and am quite sure no other has been taken in this county, I would like to make a note of one taken by me on Oct. 8, 1903, and now in my possession. When taken it was feeding, in its peculiar way, in shallow water on the river front at the foot of one of the streets in St. Marys. It proved to be a female.—ISAAC F. ARNOW, *St. Marys, Ga.*

**Bartramian Sandpiper in Wayne Co., Michigan.**— In 'The Auk' for July, 1908 (p. 328), Mr. P. A. Taverner records a Bartramian Sandpiper (*Bartramia longicauda*) for Wayne County and says, "This bird had been deemed extinct in the County for some years." It is true that in the more densely populated districts along the Detroit River this sandpiper was obliterated, as a breeding bird, some twenty years ago and seems unable to reinstate itself, which probably explains its gradual extermination in many portions of the eastern States where formerly abundant, but in the northwestern portion of Wayne County it is still a summer resident. While tramping across the county in the early summer of 1907 Mr. Herbert H. Spicer and the writer met with it in Canton Township, and Mr. Robert C. Alexander collected a set of eggs in Livonia Township. Mr. James B. Purdy of Plymouth once treated the writer to a verbal description of its