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CORRESPONDENCE.

Albatross Specimens.

EDITOR OF 'THE AUK:'

During the past few years, I have been studying the comparative anatomy of the Tubinares with considerations of bird anatomy in general. I am in great need of specimens of *Diomedea nigripes*, the Black-footed Albatross, and I could use five or six specimens to advantage. This bird is stated to be common on the North Pacific Ocean. I would also be glad to have specimens of any other albatrosses. Any suggestions as to how I may obtain the desired material will be very gratefully received. I shall be glad to pay a reasonable price for the material.

Specimens collected should be placed in either formalin or alcohol but I prefer formalin which is also cheaper and easier to carry on a collecting trip. The formalin may be made up as a 10% solution, i. e., 9 parts of water with 1 part of formalin or formol as it is often called. A solution of