

**An Old Female Cowbird Recovery.**—On May 5, 1925, I banded a female Cowbird (*Molothrus ater ater*) at my station in Belchertown, Massachusetts. A recent note from the Bureau of Biological Survey reports this bird as having been killed by Mr. Jenkins in Charleston County, South Carolina, February 2, 1931. The bird when killed was at least seven years old.—E. G. ROWLAND, State Hospital, Norwich, Connecticut.

**More Snow Bunting Returns-W.**—In *Bird-Banding* for October 1930, pp. 187 and 188, I gave the list of my returns of Snow Buntings (*Plectrophenax nivalis nivalis*) up to that time. So far this winter season (1930-31), I have had eleven more returns, among them being No. B80242, which was taken as a Return-2W. In a table given below, I am giving all of my returns of this species up to the present time, and also the single recovery, No. B80267, arranged chronologically:

Band Number	Date Banded	Date Retaken
B80242	February 8, 1929	December 25, 1929
B80242	February 8, 1929	January 3, 1931 (Return -2)
B80250	February 9, 1929	January 31, 1931
B80266	February 22, 1929	March 12, 1930
B80267	February 23, 1929	April 18, 1929
		at Chelmsford, Ontario
B80268	February 24, 1929	March 6, 1931
B80269	February 25, 1929	March 12, 1930
B80275	February 28, 1929	January 21, 1931
C14873	December 22, 1929	January 19, 1931
C14874	December 23, 1929	January 28, 1931
C14880	January 25, 1930	January 23, 1931
C14889	February 14, 1930	January 9, 1931
C14891	February 14, 1930	January 8, 1931
C14895	March 1, 1930	February 11, 1931
C51204	March 6, 1930	January 31, 1931

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**Fox Sparrow Recoveries and Returns.**—Fox Sparrows (*Passerella i. iliaca*), so far as I know, have not been banded thus far on their nesting-grounds. There are, however, two available records of two birds of this race, one banded while in migration to its summering-grounds in the North, and the other while on its wintering-grounds in the South. F. C. Lincoln (see Technical Bulletin No. 32 of the United States Department of Agriculture, p. 73) records one of this race banded at Demarest, New Jersey, No. 47587, April 2, 1924, and recovered January 26, 1926, at Pinetown, North Carolina. In the meantime it had made five complete migrations, three to its wintering-grounds and two to its summering (nesting) grounds.

A more recent recovery is that of Fox Sparrow 694523, banded by R. R. Marsden of Hanover, New Hampshire, April 5, 1929, and found dead strangely enough at the same place, Pinetown, North Carolina, by C. Keetch, January 20, 1931.

Lincoln (*loc. cit.*), however, records one return Fox Sparrow from Cedar Hill, British Columbia, eleven from Berkeley, California, and one from Los Angeles, California. None of these thirteen birds was taken on its nesting-grounds, so that from the published records we do not know whether the Fox Sparrows were of one or several recognized sub-species, seven of which nest in California according to Swarth<sup>1</sup>, or were some of

<sup>1</sup> "Revision of the Avian Genus *Passerella* with Special Reference to the Distribution and Migration of the Races in California," by H. S. Swarth, *University of California Publications in Zoology*, Vol. 2, No. 4, Sept. 11, 1920.