

We must regard the capture of one or two belated individuals of the Yellow-bellied Flycatcher in Chester and Blackburnian Warbler in Lancaster counties, in the breeding season, as purely accidental and of no value in determining their breeding range.

A few species, undoubtedly migrants, given by Mr. Ressel as summer residents (to which exceptions were made), subsequently have been found nesting in the county; while others were undoubtedly the result of careless "identification" or misinformation.

It is to be hoped that, ere long, a competent person of large field experience in local ornithology will give us a list revised and corrected to date.

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### GENERAL NOTES.

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YOUNG OF THE KILLDEER, *Ægialitis vocifera*.—May 15, 1896. While out walking early this morning I had the pleasure of seeing, for the first time in my life, some nestling Killdeers. Seeing a pair of old birds near the corner of the pasture which I was crossing, I stepped over that way and at once felt sure there were eggs or young, as the old birds at once set up a fearful and pitiful crying, "*Kill-dee-Kill-dee*," and would flutter and crawl along in front of me after the "time honored custom" of ground nesting birds. I soon found the young, three in number, little downy bits about as large as ones thumb, but able to walk quite well. On picking one up (much to the discomfiture of Mrs. *Ægialitis*) he "*peeped, peeped*," much like a young chicken, for a few minutes and then nestled down in my hand, perfectly contented. When resting on the ground the head and bill are laid perfectly flat, with the body, upon the ground. When I left the spot, one of the parents followed me, circling and calling, to the outskirts of town, nearly a half mile, probably thinking that I still held one of his offspring in captivity.

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SOUTHERN WISCONSIN NOTES.—DICKCISSEL, *Spiza americana*.—A pair of Dickcissels, the first seen in several years, summered near Delavan last year; the male could be seen on any day during the latter half of May and all through June, sitting upon a fence post by the road-side, evidently not far from the nest.

BALD EAGLE, *Haliaeetus leucocephalus*.—More common this fall than for several years—several fine adults seen and also several immatures—