where it has lain unnoticed for many years, an immature male of this species taken on November 25, 1889, at Newman Springs, a mile or so southwest of Red Bank, Monmouth County, New Jersey.

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## GAVIA STELLATA IN THE MOUNTAINS OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA.

It may be worth while to record a North Carolina specimen of *Gavia stellata* which the writer had the privilege of examining in 1906. It had been killed a year or two before, exact date unknown, on the French Broad River, near Biltmore, North Carolina. It was a perfectly typical bird in immature plumage. This species, while not unusual along the coast of North Carolina, is rare in the interior, and, so far as we are aware has not previously occurred in the mountain region of the state.

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## HISTRIONICUS HISTRIONICUS PACIFICUS IN NORTH DAKOTA.

There appears to be no published record for the Harlequin Duck in North Dakota, although it has been reported two or three times from the state of Nebraska. The writer has, however, examined an adult of this species referable to the Pacific form, *Histrionicus histrionicus pacificus*, obtained at Mandan, North Dakota, about September 23, 1912, by Mr. J. D. Allen, who has kindly permitted us to place it on record. It makes thus a very interesting addition to the list of the birds of this state.

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## EUROPEAN WIDGEON IN LAKE COUNTY.

How many of you have had the good luck to study at close range an adult male European Widgeon? Probably some, but how many have had that pleasure the *second* time? I found my first back in 1914, in company with one male and two female Baldpates, with sunlight at my back as they passed by on the river so it was hardly necessary to use my glass to distinguish all its characteristic markings. This bird was reported by me in Bird-Lore for that year. Today (March 23, 1919) history has repeated itself, and under still better conditions for observation.

Visiting a large swamp pond early this morning I was disappointed to find its sole occupant in the duck line to be a female