BIRDS OF ONTARIO.

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(130) Red-breasted Merganser.

(Merganser serrator.)

A common resident, more abundant than the last and equally destructive to fish. Breeds in the interior of the Province and winters wherever there is open water.

GENUS LOPHODYTES.

(131 Hooded Merganser.

(Lophodytes eucullatus.)

A tolerably common summer resident, breeding throughout the interior of the Province and retiring southward as ice forms.

SUBFAMILY ANATINÆ. (THE RIVER DUCKS.)



Mallard.

GENUS ANAS.

(132) Mallard.

(Anas boschas.)

Common summer resident of the western part of the Province, less abundant in the east, retires southward as the shallow waters it frequents become frozen over. Breeds throughout its range.

(133) Black Duck.

(Anas obscura.)

A very common summer resident, breeding in all suitable places throughout the Province. It is more abundant in the east than in the west, and is only a rare visitor in Manitoba.