

Ottawa list for the first time. Up to November 2nd, 1908, there were no records of it, when Mr. E. Bedard shot four young birds at the Rifle Range, out of a flock of about 75, which went up the river as far as Pembroke, where they were also seen. On December 2nd of the same year, another flock came along, out of which ten or more were shot near Ketchum's boathouse. Next day more went up. Finally, May 8th, 1909, Mr. E. Bedard claims to have seen 28 passing up the river. Either this species is now changing its habits and migration routes, or they have, until 1908, been overlooked.

44. *Oidemia americana*, American Scoter. An irregular and rather rare spring and fall visitor, unless they also will deign to visit us more often in future. On May 4th, 1909, and May 5th, 1908, Mr. E. Bedard saw several flocks of Scoters passing up the river. On September 1st, 1908, a fine adult male was in the market here, shot nearby, and on October 7th of same year two immature specimens.

45. *Oidemia deglandi*, White-winged Scoter. Of the same undecided status as the preceding species. The dates I have are: October 28th, 1904, one in the market; October 22nd, 1906, Mr. N. Lachance saw seven at Shirley's Bay, out of which he shot two immature specimens; May 4th, 1909, Mr. E. Bedard shot one near the Rifle Range.

46. *Oidemia perspicillata*, Surf Scoter. Like the foregoing, if anything rarer. On October 13th, 1908, Mr. E. Bedard shot an adult male, and on October 29th of same year three immature ones.

47. *Erismatura jamaicensis*, Ruddy Duck. A rare irregular fall visitor. On October 15th, 1907, Mr. N. Lachance shot a young female on Shirley's Bay.

48. *Chen hyperborea nivalis*, Greater Snow Goose. Apparently other geese than the Canada Goose pass over our district, but until more are secured this species must be put down as a very rare accidental visitor. The only available record goes as far back as 1867, when Dr. Van Cortlandt shot one above the Chaudiere Falls, the head and wings of which were in the possession of the Ottawa Literary and Scientific Society until destroyed by moths.

49. *Chen caerulescens*, Blue Goose. Another extremely rare accidental visitor here from the far north. Three specimens of this goose were shot by Mr. G. R. White within a few miles of the city on October 11th, 1886.

50. *Branta canadensis*, Canada Goose. This magnificent and truly Canadian bird is a common migrant here and until within comparatively recent years undoubtedly bred in the district. I was told by natives that it nested, till lately, at Echo