

"Fairly common," which it probably is in suitable locations.

Whooping Crane. Stated in the Auk to be common, but omitted from the list in THE OTTAWA NATURALIST. This is doubtless exceedingly rare as Mr. Preble in his "Birds of Athabasca-McKenzie District," reports that "it has now become almost extinct in the north."

Lincoln's Sparrow. This bird is not mentioned in either list. Mr. Preble calls it "The common song sparrow of the region," referring to a district not very far from Mr. Stansell's location, and it is certainly a common breeder in the Red Deer district and becomes less so farther south, the inference from which is, that it would be more common in the north.

It is unfortunate that so many errors should have crept into such an interesting paper, and it is to be hoped that Mr. Stansell will have an opportunity of revising this work in the near future.

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THE PARASITIC JAEGER NEAR OTTAWA. In the first part of September of last year (1909), Mr. George Smith brought me a bird with the remark that he had a "web-footed hawk." The bird had been shot on September 4th on the Ottawa River, near the mouth of the Lievre. Although the bird did not turn out to be the astounding monstrosity the captor had pronounced it, it is, however, a remarkable capture for the Ottawa district, it being nothing less than a Parasitic Jaeger, *Stercorarius parasiticus*, a new record for the vicinity. It is a bird of the year, that is, in the brown plumage, in which the young gulls and their allies are often so puzzling. I have identified it beyond doubt by comparing the skin with material in the Field Museum, Chicago, kindly placed at my disposal by Mr. C. B. Cory and Mr. Wilfrid H. Osgood.

It may also be worth mentioning that we have both the species and the subspecies of the Palm Warbler, *Dendroica palmarum*. On comparing the skins in my collection with those of the Field Museum, I find that the species *D. palmarum* is here at least as a migrant, one of my specimens being taken on May 10th, and one probably belonging here taken on Sept. 20th. The form breeding in the district, however, that is at the Mer Bleue only, so far as I am aware, is undoubtedly the subspecies, the Yellow Palm Warbler, *Dendroica palmarum hypochrysea*.

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