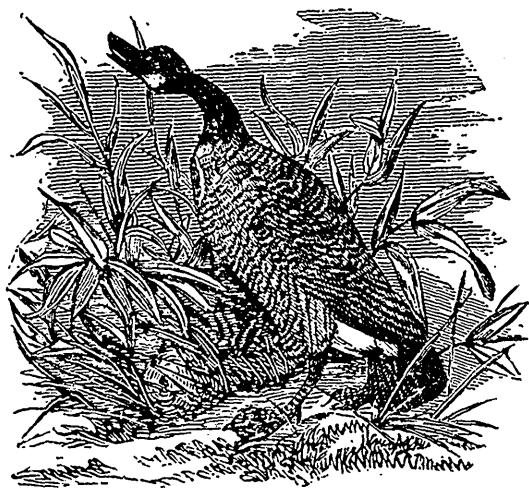


The Sub-Family *Tringinae*, the Sandpipers, have rather long bills. The wings are long and pointed.

The Sub-Family *Totantinae*, the Stilts, have the bill as long as the head, or longer; the toes are generally connected by a basal membrane; wings, long; legs, long and strong; tail, slightly rounded.



THE CANADA WILD GOOSE.

ORDER VI.—SWIMMERS.

BIRDS of this Order are especially fitted for aquatic life, and comprise the Ducks, Geese, Swans, Cormorants, Gulls, Grebes, Loons, and Terns; Petrels, Auks, Sheldrakes, Gannets, Guillemots, and Puffins.

The Swimmers.—Webfooted Birds.—The Sub-Family *Cygninae*, the Swans, have a very long neck and bill; the nostrils are situated in the middle of the bill; plumage, white; bill and legs, black; feet, webbed.

The Sub-Family *Anserinae*, the Geese, have a large red or orange-colored bill; feet, webbed.