

ONTARIO ORNITHOLOGICAL NOTES: WINTER 1904-05.

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Ornithologically considered, the past winter has not been without its interesting episodes.

On December 30, during a snowstorm, a Horned Grebe lit in a snowdrift in Guelph. One foot appeared to have been frozen, but the bird seemed otherwise all right. It was placed in a large case with a pan of water and fed on fish, which it consumed readily; but it died the next day.

Great Black-backed Gulls have been seen throughout the winter at Toronto by Mr. S. Hunter.

Herring Gulls, though seen on the Great Lakes, have not wandered inland as much as usual.

American Mergansers wintered in some numbers on the Thames at London and a few on the Speed at Guelph.

A Mallard was taken at Wingham on February 12, and two Black Ducks were seen at the mouth of a small creek near Penetanguishene by Mr. A. F. Young on February 8.

A Scaup Duck was taken at Penetanguishene on December 5.

Old-squaw Ducks wintered at Toronto, and American Golden-eyes at Toronto and London.

An adult female Black-crowned Night Heron was shot in an orchard near Woodstock on December 24, and was given to Mr. W. D. Hobson of that city.

A Cooper's Hawk was seen by Mr. S. Beattie at Guelph on January 20, and by others on January 28 and February 7.

A Bald Eagle was seen by Mr. W. E. Saunders at London on February 4, and one was shot near Woodstock on March 11 and examined by Mr. W. D. Hobson.

An American Sparrow Hawk was seen at Guelph in February by Mr. A. A. Davidson.

Three Snowy Owls were shot in Frontenac and Leeds counties and sent to the taxidermist in Kingston, one was taken at Brampton in December, and one at Guelph on February 26.

An Arctic Three-toed Woodpecker was seen at Penetan-