

The following list of birds observed at Pictou for the first six months of 1895, gives an idea of the thoroughness in which Mr. Hickman does his work. This list has been submitted to our associate editor, Mr. A. G. Kingston, dept. of Ornithology, who has prepared the manuscript for the printer, and our best thanks are due to Mr. Hickman for this interesting contribution from the east.

LIST OF BIRDS OBSERVED AT PICTOU, NOVA SCOTIA,
FROM FIRST OF JANUARY TO FIRST OF JULY, 1895.

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SPECIES.	FIRST SEEN.	WHEN COMMON	LAST SEEN.	REMARKS.
Northern shrike, <i>Lanius borealis</i>	Jan. 9		Apr. 20	not common, northern migrant.
Arctic 3-toed woodpecker, <i>Picoides arcticus</i>	" 21	.....	Jan. 21	rare northern migrant.
American golden-eye, <i>Glaucionetta clangula americana</i>	Feb. 26	Mch. 16	May 7	very common n. and s. migrant.
Glaucous gull, <i>Larus glaucus</i>	" 26	.....	Feb. 26	rare n. migrant.
Canada goose, <i>Branta Canadensis</i>	Mch. 7	Mch. 30	Apr. 26	very common n. and s. migrant.
Dusky duck, <i>Anas obscura</i>	" 16	Apr. 13	.....	breeds, very common.
American scoter, <i>Oidemia americana</i>	" 18	" 13	.....	common, s. migrant.
Buffle head, <i>Charitonetta albeola</i>	" 21	.....	.....	common, n. and s. migrant.
Whitewinged scoter, <i>Oidemia deglandi</i>	" 23	" 11	Apr. 26	common, n. and s. migrant.
Ivory gull, <i>Gavia alba</i>	" 23	.....	Mch. 23	rare, n. migrant.
American surf duck, <i>Oidemia perspicillata</i>	" 23	Apr. 5	June 3	very common, n. and s. migrant.
Song sparrow, <i>Melospiza fasciata</i>	" 24	" 6	.....	breeds, very common, n. and s. migrant.
Eider duck, <i>Somateria dresseri</i>	" 24	" 20	.....	common, n. and s. migrant.
Brant, <i>Branta bernicla</i>	" 30	" 15	June 9	very common, n. and s. migrant.
Slate-coloured snowbird, <i>Junco hyemalis</i>	" 30	Mch. 30	.....	breeds, s. migrant.
Shore lark, <i>Otocoris alpestris</i> ..	Apr. 4	Apr. 8	Apr. 14	common, n. and s. migrant.
Common crossbill, <i>Loxia curvirostra minor</i>	" 5	.....	.....	not common, n. and s. migrant.
White-winged crossbill, <i>Loxia leucoptera</i>	" 5	.....	.....	rare, n. and s. migrant.