

NOTE ON *ÆSTRELATA SANDWICHENSIS* RIDGW.

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In volume IX of these proceedings, p. 96, in an additional note to an article on this bird, I expressed a suspicion that it might be the same as *Æ. phaeopygia* Salv. (Trans. Zool. Soc. Lond., Vol. IX, Part IX, May, 1876, p. 507, pl. 88, fig. 1), and in my more recently published "Manual of North American Birds"* (p. 65) relinquished any doubt as to the question by giving the Sandwich Island bird as *Æ. phaeopygia*. In the mean time the type had been sent to Mr. Salvin for comparison with the types of his species, and his letter, dated December 11, 1887, confirms the views which I had adopted, as the following quotation from his letter will show:

"I have compared it [*i. e.*, the type of *Æ. sandwichensis*] with the two types in the British Museum of *Æ. phaeopygia*, and done my best to make them different, but they are as like as any three specimens of the same species of Petrel that I ever examined. The bill is a trifle small in all its dimensions and outer rectrices a little more freely mottled with white, but the Galapagos birds vary just as much *inter se*."

* J. B. Lippincott Company, Philadelphia, 1887.