

Bubo virginianus occidentalis in Michigan.— On examining the series of Great Horned Owls in the collection of the U. S. National Museum I find there is a specimen of *Bubo virginianus occidentalis* from Michigan. This specimen, No. 200,415, was caught in a trap, January 5, 1906, by Mr. C. McLaughlin at Robbins, Ontonagan Co., and by him sent to the Museum where it was determined by Mr. H. C. Oberholser. I know of no prior record for Michigan, as in Mr. Oberholser's paper, 'A Revision of the American Great Horned Owls' (Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., XXVII, No. 1352), the eastern range of *occidentalis* is extended east to Minnesota. A critical examination of specimens of *Bubo* from the Upper Peninsula may bring other specimens to light.— B. H. SWALES, *Grosse Isle, Mich.*

Turkey Vulture in Northern Steuben County, N. Y.— A female Turkey Vulture (*Cathartes aura septentrionalis*) was shot by a farmer in the town of Pulteney, Steuben Co., N. Y., July 11, 1909, and the skin is now in the possession of Richard Cowan, Bluff Point, N. Y. There were eleven of the vultures feeding on a dead hog in a gully.— VERDI BURTCH, *Branchport, N. Y.*

The Last Passenger Pigeons in Wayne County, Michigan.— It is generally conceded that the Passenger Pigeon is now extinct in its wild state, and it has occurred to me that some additional data relative to the last local record may prove of interest. In the 'Bulletin of the Michigan Ornithological Club' (Vol. IV, September, 1903, p. 81) Dr. Philip E. Moody records the last pigeon taken here as follows: "A Wild or Passenger Pigeon (*Ectopistes migratorius*) was shot September 14th, 1898, at Chestnut Ridge, a few miles from Detroit, by Frank Clements, of this city. The bird — an immature specimen — was later mounted by Chas. Campion and is now in the collection of J. H. Fleming, of Toronto, Ont. This is probably the last authentic record of this species in Michigan."

I have since talked with Dr. Moody regarding this record and he says "Mr. Clements and I were in the thick woods when we noticed three pigeons. They were flying above the tree tops, two abreast and the third behind and lower down. The latter bird lit near the top of a tall tree but the others continued their flight without a pause. I could have shot it but thought it was a Mourning Dove. When Mr. Clements picked up the bird we knew at once what it was and looked for the other two but they could not be found."

Dr. Moody feels certain that all three were of the same species, in fact, the remaining two seemed larger. All points considered, it is possible that the birds were two adults accompanied by their young. They may have traveled far, which would account for the young bird falling behind and pausing to rest. The bird was not taken at Chestnut Ridge, though not far away. The exact locality is Private Claim 660, Dearborn Township, Wayne Co., Michigan.— J. CLAIRE WOOD, *Detroit, Mich.*