LIST OF THE BIRDS OF

MT. DESERT

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ACADIA NATIONAL PARK
BAR HARBOR, MAINE

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12. Mniotilta varia, Black and white Creeper.

Rather common.

13. Parula americana, Blue yellow back Warbler.

Female with four young seen July 7 '83 near Hadlock's upper Pond by Wakefield. Heard singing in same locality on several occasions. Not noted in previous years.

14. Helminthrophaga ruficapilla, Nashville Warbler.

Common.

15. Dendroica aestiva, Yellow Warbler.

Not common. A few noted about camp each summer.

16. Dendroica virens, Black throated Green Warbler.

One of the most abundant of the warblers.

17. Dendroica caerulescens, Black throated Blue Warbler

Our only note that of a ♂ shot by Townsend Aug. 30 '82

18. Dendroica coronata, Yellow rump Warbler.

Common with the exception of last summer when but one was seen until September. Breeds and young birds taken.

19. Dendroica blackburniae, Blackburnian Warbler)
Several seen Aug. 24 '82. One shot on west shore of the Island Sept. 7 '82. Probably a regular autumn migrant in small numbers.

20. Dendroica castanea, Bay-breasted Warbler.
Our only record that of a young bird shot at Norwood's Cove July 29 '80.

21. Dendroica pennsylvanica, Chestnut sided Warbler
Quite common.

22. Dendroica maculosa, Black & Yellow Warbler.
Common, and with the Yellow-rump and Black-throated Green the most abundant warblers on the island.

23. Seiurus aurocapillus, Golden-crowned Thrush.
Given as common by Wakefield in summer of '83. But few observed in former years.

24. Seiurus naevius, Water Thrush.
Two seen in August 1880 by R. Thaxter.

25. Geotilypis trichas, Maryland Yellow-throat.
Very common.

26. Myiodioctes pusillus, Wilson's Black-cap.

Several seen at Bas Harbor Sept. 5, '82.

27. Myiodioctes canadensis, Canada Flycatcher

Quite common.

28. Setophaga ruticilla, Redstart

Common, generally distributed.

29. Hirundo hormeorum, Barn Swallow.

Common.

30. Tachycineta bicolor, White bellied Swallow.

Common.

31. Petrochelidon lunifrons, Cliff Swallow.

Not quite so common as the two preceeding.

32. Cotyle riparia, Bank Swallow.

Quite common on Some's Sound where there was a suitable bank for breeding.

33. Progue purpurea, Purple Martin.

One or more heard flying over July 15 '83 by Wakefield.

34. Ampelis cedrorum, Cedar Bird

Common.

35. Vireo olivaceus, Red-eyed Vireo

Common.

36. Vireo solitarius, Solitary Vireo

Found regularly near Hadlock's upper Pond - one shot - Wakefield.

37. Carpodacus purpureus, Purple Finch

Quite common.

38. Loxia leucoptera, White-winged Crossbill.

Two seen by R. Thaxter 1880.

39. Loxia curvirostra americana, Red Crossbill.

A flock of 12-15 found in some spruces at Otter Cliffs Aug. 24 '83. Both ♂s and ♀s very tame and some of the former singing.

40. Chrysometris pinus, Pine Finch.

One heard on Western Mt. Aug. '83.

41. Chrysometris tristis, Yellow Bird.

Common.

41. Passerculus savanna, Savanna Sparrow.

But few seen in pastures.

42. Povecetis gramineus, Grass Finch.

But few seen in pastures.

43. Melospiza melodia, Song Sparrow

Common.

45.* Junco hyemalis, Snowbird

Abundant.

44.* Spizella socialis, Chipping Sparrow.

Fairly common about houses.

45. Zonotrichia albicollis, White-throated Sparrow

Abundant.

46. Cyanospiza cyanea, Indigo Bird.

One or two noted each year. Not common.

47. Dolichonyx orizivorus, Bobolink

One seen at Bas Harbor Aug. 21 Townsend.

48. Agelaius phoeniceus, Red winged Blackbird

Not common. Flock seen at Bass Harbor and Seal Cove Aug. 16 '80 Townsend. A few noted on Long Pond Aug. '83.

49. Corvus americanus, Crow.

Very common.

50. Cyamirus cristatus, Blue Jay.

Not common. A few seen Aug. '82, Townsend.

52.* Sayornis fuscus, Phoebe

Not common.

53.* Tyrannus carolinensis, Kingbird

Rather common.

54. Empidonax traillii, Traill's Flycatcher

Not uncommon in thickets of alders and briars about camp at North East Harbor and along the road near Wheelwright's point. Were shy and difficult of approach. This bird seemed to have three different notes. One often heard resembling the alarm note of Z. albicollis, another only heard in the early morning before sunrise or just after sunset was like a canary's chirp more than anything else. It also had its characteristic note which may be represented by the word "zadwick" uttered with great emphasis on the last syllable. This differed from the similar note of E. flaviventris in being harsher and more disagreeable in tone. Young taken.

54. Empidonax flaviventris, Yellow bellied Flycatcher

Rather more common than the preceeding, and though also found in alder thickets not so much confined to them and often met with in thick woods. Two notes were observed, one like the "zadwick" of E. Traillii but purer and clearer, and the other like the last note of C. virens.

55. Antrostomus vociferus, Whip-poor-will.

But two heard, one at North East Harbor June 25 '83, the other near Jordan's Pond July 13 '83; one at N. E. Harbor Aug 1882 (E.L.R.)

56. Chordeiles virginianus, Night Hawk.

Common, often in flocks of 15 in August.

57. Chaetura pelasgia, Chimney Swift

Quite common.

58. Trochilus colubris, Hummingbird.

A few seen about the houses.

59. Ceryle alcyon, Belted Kingfisher

Pretty evenly distributed in pairs.

60. Coccyzus erythrophthalmus, Black-billed Cuckoo.

Common. Several shot.

61. Picus villosus, Hairy Woodpecker.

A few seen in July but becoming rather more common in August. Flock of 5 or 6 Aug. 12 '80 Townsend.

62. Picus pubescens, Downy Woodpecker.

Common.

63. Colaptes auratus, Golden Winged Woodpecker. Flicker

Common.

64. Syrnium nebulosum, Barred Owl

One seen in confinement at Kimball's Aug. or Sept '82 which was caught in woods back of Frazer's.

65. Circus hudsonicus, Marsh Hawk

A few seen in Aug '80 by Townsend.

66. Accipiter fuscus, Sharp-shinned Hawk.

One or more shot and several seen in '82.

67. Buteo borealis, Red-tailed Buzzard.

An immature bird shot July 17 '83 by Wakefield.

68. Buteo pennsylvanica (sic), Broad winged Hawk

One shot by Townsend in '80

69. Pandion haliaetus, Fish Hawk.

A pair seen frequently near camp in '83.

70. Haliaetus leucocephalus, Bald Eagle.

Not very common but generally distributed.

72.* Bonasa umbellus, Ruffed Grouse

Quite common

71.* Ectopistes migratorius, Wild Pigeon.

Not common, 2 seen Aug. 7, 1 Aug. 15 C.W.G.

73. Aegialitis semipalmatus, Ringneck

Common in Aug. on the Cramberries

74. Strepsilas interpres, Turnstone.

Flock seen on the Cranberries Aug. 12 '82.

75. Philohela minor, Woodcock

One started July 12 '81 near Camp Pemetic.

76. Microrhamphus griseus, Red breasted Snipe

One shot, 4 or 5 seen on Little Cranberry

Aug. 1 '81

77. Ereunetes Pusillus, Semi-palmated Sandpiper.

Common in August.

78. Tringa mimitilla, Least Sandpiper.

Common in August.

79. Tringa maculata, Pectoral Sandpiper.

One heard and seen at Bas Harbor Sept. 5 '82.

80. Totanus melanoleucus, Greater Telltale

A few seen on the Cranberries; and in Aug '81 at Bas Harbor by Townsend.

81. Totanus flavipes, Yellow legs

Common at Bas Harbor Aug. 21 '80 Townsend. A number shot on the Cranberries.

82. Totanus solitarius, Solitary Sandpiper

One seen at Hadlock's Pond by R. Thaxter in '80, one seen at Hadlock's Pond Aug. 7 '82.

83. Tringoides macularius, Spotted Sandpiper.

Rather common.

84. Ardea Hirodias, Great Blue Heron.

Not uncommon about Camp Pemetic. Common on mud flats near the bridge.

85. Nyctiardia grisea naevia, Night Heron.

Common.

86. Botaurus minor, Bittern

One seen at Bass Harbor Sept. 5 '82.

87. Anas obscura, Black Duck

A number seen - 3 Aug. 1 '82, one shot. One seen at Long Pond Aug. '83.

88. Heralda glacialis, Long-tailed Duck

A pair seen ♂ & ♀ shot off Calf Island Aug '81.

89. Oedemia americana, Black Scoter

A pair seen on the Sound Aug. 3 '81.

90. Larus agentatus, Herring Gull.

Common.

91. Larus tridactylus, Kittiwake

A number seen in The Fox Island Thoroughfare and a few about the island. No birds were taken.

92. Larus philadelphia, Bonaparte's Gull

One shot, two seen off Calf Island. Others seen on Eastern Shore near Bar Harbor.

93. Sterna hirundo, Common Tern

Common

94. (Cymochorea leucorrhoa, Leache's Petrel)

A number seen off Portland. Said to occur off Duck Island

95. Colymbus torquatus, Loon

Quite a number seen about the island.

96. Podilymbus podiceps, Pied billed Grebe

One or two seen late Aug. or Sept. '83.

97. Black Guillemot

Common.

97 species

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