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CHECK LIST OF THE BIRDS OF MICHIGAN

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IN the twenty-six years that have passed since the publication of an account of the birds of Michigan¹ the accepted list has been altered greatly. With the hope of assisting bird students who are now handicapped by the lack of a convenient summary of the present knowledge of Michigan's avifauna, I offer this very brief outline. The Museum of Zoology solicits records, authenticated by specimens where possible, which will help to correct or supplement our present concept of the status and distribution of Michigan birds.

At least one Michigan specimen of every form listed here has been examined by some qualified ornithologist. An asterisk indicates that there is a positive Michigan breeding record for the species. Records marked U.M.M.Z. are based on specimens preserved in the University of Michigan Museum of Zoology.

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**Gavia immer elasson* Bishop. Lesser Loon
Summer resident.

Gavia stellata (Pontoppidan). Red-throated Loon
Rare transient and winter visitant. Several summer records for Lake Superior; may prove to breed there.

Colymbus grisegena holboelli (Reinhardt). Holboell's Grebe
Uncommon transient; sometimes found in large numbers on the Great Lakes. Several inland records: February 8 to 11, 1934.

Colymbus auritus Linnaeus. Horned Grebe
Common transient. Rare in winter.

Aechmophorus occidentalis (Lawrence). Western Grebe
One record: Kent County, Fox Creek Station; one coll., February 17, 1917, by F. Esbaugh.

**Podilymbus podiceps podiceps* (Linnaeus). Pied-billed Grebe

Common summer resident; much less numerous in the north.

Pelecanus erythrorhynchos Gmelin. White Pelican
Straggler. Nineteen records between May 29 and October 31.

Morus bassanus (Linnaeus). Gannet
Two records: Livingston County, Walker Lake; immature ♀ collected October 19, 1911, by J. P. Case (U.M.M.Z.). Iosco County, Tawas Bay; immature ♂ collected November 10, 1925 (Miller Empey collection).

**Phalacrocorax auritus auritus* (Lesson). Double-crested Cormorant

Uncommon transient; fewer in spring. Several pairs breed on Huron Islands, Marquette County.

Dendroica castanea (Wilson) - Transferred to *Parula*
Common in eastern Florida - also in S. Carolina

Dendroica striata (Aud.) - Parula - Florida
Transfer - transferred to *Parula* - common in Florida

Dendroica striata (Wilson) - Northern - Florida
Transfer - transferred to *Parula* - common in Florida

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