

Santa Clara, Cal., Aug. 15/98.

Mr. William Brewster,
Cambridge, Mass.

My dear Sir:-

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I had the good fortune to secure this year a set of the Hermit Warbler N/4 in the Sierra Nevada Mts. which I may dispose of if a satisfactory offer is secured. The nest is in situ on the pine limb, which is a little over one foot in length.

Mr. Norris has made me an offer of \$25. and I do not know how you regard such rareties so merely invite your offer, should you wish to make one. This set is the second authentic set taken up to the present time, the first set taken by Mr. R. H. Peck in 1896 having gone through Dr. Ralph into the U. S. Nat. Museum. So because of its rarity I value it more highly than I otherwise should perhaps.

I shall be pleased to receive your reply and remain,

Yours very truly,

L. B. V.

Barlow Co.

Aug 15, 1898

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Santa Clara, Cal., Feb. II/99.

Mr. William Brewster,
Cambridge, N. Y.

My dear Sir:-

I have received from our Business Manager, Mr. Cohen, notice of your subscription to our Club Bulletin for three copies. We sincerely appreciate your endorsement of the Cooper Club's undertaking, for as such we regard it. The Bulletin is being favored with the subscriptions of many of the prominent Western workers, which is class we cater to. The magazine will be kept aloof from having its columns used for recording mere finds of eggs unless the articles otherwise warrant publication. I think you will find that the Bulletin will present more valuable "Western" material than has ever been placed before the public at one time and by careful preliminary work our best ornithologists have assured me their support, including Messrs. Anthony, Bryant, Mr. Lyman Belding and many others scarcely less well known. These names in themselves are a guarantee of "good things" to follow.

I am mailing you three copies of #1 to commence your subscription. #2 will be mailed promptly March 15 and we propose to introduce an innovation by always appearing with rigid promptness. This is my firmest resolve so long as I remain in charge. Thanking you for your assistance and good will,

Yours sincerely,


Editor and Publisher Bulletin.

Barlow, Q.

Feb. 11, 1899.

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EDITOR'S OFFICE,

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My dear Mr. Brewster:-

I appreciate very much the kind commendation of my Placer-ville list contained in your recent letter, more particularly since your wide experience afield enables you to properly criticise. I do not know that the list is of any particular importance, but I have the satisfaction of knowing that it is accurate and trust it may be the means of bringing more of our Western workers to the region. That was one of the ideas which inspired the list. So I am only glad if it proved interesting to you.

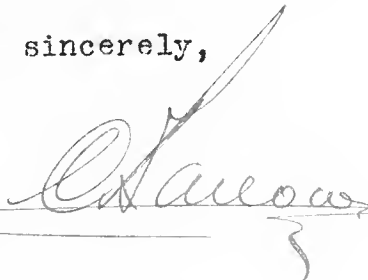
One point in your letter suggests mention: your wish that you might visit the West and incidentally these mountains. I wish that some day you might pay California a visit and meet our ornithologists and attend a Cooper Club meeting. We have quite a little ornithological world of our own out here with the Club as its nucleus. You perhaps learn of our meetings and progress from time to time, but I wish it were possible for you to drop in and feel the energetic and fraternal atmosphere which has for some months past pervaded the Club.

Incidentally I may mention that we all appreciate the election of Mr. Grinnell to Fellowship. It is the happiest possible choice which could have been made. Others of our members do not have the time or opportunity to be as active, but all are working earnestly in a common cause. As for myself, I sometimes doubt my right to be dubbed an "ornithologist", since my time goes almost entirely towards the operation of the Club and its magazine. However with 170 members at work in all branches and degrees of the science, it is necessary that

someone should gather up the threads and draw them towards a common center, which is what the Cooper Club and its magazine are doing today.

Thanking you for your kind expressions, and trusting we may some day see you on the Coast, I am,

Yours very sincerely,



Ballou, C.

Nov. 29, 1901

Chester Barlow, Editor & Business Manager.

Walter K. Fisher, Associate.

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My dear Mr. Brewster:-

I write to enquire if you have in your possession any of the eggs of the Rufous-crowned Sparrow taken by Chas. A. Allen and recorded by you in the 'Auk'? If so, are they pure white in coloration? I recently took a set which show a decided bluish tinge both before and after blowing. Mr. Beck took a set similar in shade some years ago. I am preparing an article on the species and it seems to me that the published descriptions are in error, or else both white and bluish eggs are occasionally laid. This, however, would seem improbable. Your kind reply will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Mr. William Brewster,
Cambridge, Mass.

Berlin, Chester
May 8, 1902

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Mr. Walter Deane,
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Mr. Deane:-

I am greatly obliged for your favors of the 14th and 17th, containing information on the set of Rufous-crowned Sparrow. I shall be glad to use parts of the data in my article. Concerning the identity of the set, I think quite as Mr. Brewster does that there is apparently no reason to doubt it. My only trouble now is to reconcile the coloration of the eggs. The set you mention as also one from Southern California are white, while a set taken by Mr. Beck had a bluish tinge, as also has my set. All the identifications seem unquestionable. I shall work the matter out if possible.

Thanking you for your courtesy,
Sincerely yours,

Barlow, Chester

Aug 22, 1802.

Chester Barlow, Editor & Business Manager.

Walter K. Fisher, Associate.

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Oct. 15th, 1903.

My dear Mr. Brewster:-

I am personally under obligations for a copy of your 'Birds of the Cape Region of Lower California' which recently arrived. I have spent a most pleasant forenoon in going through it and believe I appreciate the care and thoroughness with which it has been compiled, as well as the very large amount of new information it contains. I have met several of our workers recently and have heard from others by letter and they are truly enthusiastic over the excellence of the paper.

Thanking you for favoring me with a copy, I am,

Very truly yours,

Mr. Wm. Brewster,
Cambridge, Mass.

C. Barlow

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