

Eskimo Curlew

< 1870

Record Number: 93-CW

Classification: NA

IA

on list, no record cited; Allen 1870

REFERENCE

Allen 1870: "216. Numenius borealis, Lath -- Esquimaux Curlew."

Anderson 1907

DuMont 1933

VOTE: 5 NA

NA, Allen was not in Iowa during spring migration. His list is hypothetical. /thk

Allen, J. A. 1870. Catalogue of the birds of Iowa, in White, C. A. Report on the Geological Survey of the State of Iowa. p 426.

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118. (266). *Numenius borealis* (Forst.). Eskimo Curlew.

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Extinct in Iowa. It had been greatly reduced in numbers before 1907, when Anderson wrote of it as follows: "The Eskimo Curlew is also a rare migrant in Iowa. It was listed by Allen (White's Geol. of Iowa, ii, 1870, 426), and John Krider says: 'I found it in Iowa in May, migrating westward' (Forty Years' Notes, 1879, 68).

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