

Coll. Albert Lano, ♀, length, 26.75; extent, 58.00; wing, 21.00; tail, 12.00; weight, 2 lbs. 14½ oz. Collected at Aitkin, Minn., Jan. 5, 1897.

Coll. Albert Lano, ♂, length, 26.00; extent, 57.00; wing, 21.00; tail, 12.50; weight, 2 lbs. 11 oz. Collected at Aitkin, Minn., Jan. 27, 1897.

Coll. Albert Lano, ♂, length, 25.00; extent, 55.00; wing, 21.00; tail, 12.00; weight, 1 lb. 15 oz. Testicles active, size of beans. Collected at Aitkin, Minn., March 3, 1897.

Coll. Albert Lano, ♀, length, 25.25; extent, 58.75; wing, 20.75; tail, 12.50; weight, 2 lbs. 14 oz. Ovaries active, size of No. 4 shot. Collected at Aitkin, Minn., Jan. 19, 1898. — ALBERT LANO, *Aitkin, Minn.*

Note on *Speotyto cunicularia obscura* Stephens. — Mr. Stephens described this subspecies of Burrowing Owl (*S. c. obscura*, Auk, XII, Oct. 1895, p. 372), from a single male from Upper Lake, Lake Co., California. This has since stood as a doubtful form. Through the kindness of Mr. A. W. Johnson I have been able to examine two male birds from the type locality. In coloration I cannot see that these birds differ from other Ground Owls from San Diego and Palo Alto Counties, California, and Washington. The measurements are fully as great as for birds from other localities. A table of measurements is here given. Mr. Richmond

Number.	Sex.	Locality.	Date.	Wing.	Tail.	Tarsus.
151,022	♀	Upper Lake, Lake Co.	May 29, 1894.	6.20	3.10	1.65
162,706	♂	“ “ “	Feb. 10, 1897.	6.96	3.64	1.92
162,707	♂	“ “ “	Mar. 27, 1897.	6.96	3.70	1.97
162,708	♂	Long Beach.	Aug. 15, 1894.	6.90	3.54	1.80
1	♂	Tiburon.	Sept. 26, 1897.	6.80	3.50	1.90
2	♂	Amador Co.	Jan. 26, 1896.	7.10	3.56	1.87
162,709	♀	Palo Alto.	Oct. 15, 1897.	6.78	3.44	1.60
3,155	♀	Pullman, Wash.	Apr. 7, 1894.	6.58	3.28	1.62

has kindly compared these birds with the type and says: “Two Owls from Upper Lake, Calif., the type locality of Mr. Stephens’s *obscura*, differ in no way from the ordinary *Speotyto* of the West. The original specimen of *obscura*, obtained by Mr. Stephens, is a very small bird, differing in color, when compared with western specimens, only in the dusky face and head, where the feathers are apparently stained. The measurements of the type of *obscura*, taken by Mr. Stephens, are added to the table below. The specimen from Palo Alto is fully as dark as some specimens of *floridana*, but lacks the bars on the under wing-coverts peculiar to that and the West Indian forms.” — R. C. MCGREGOR, *Palo Alto, Cal.*

¹ Coll. of H. B. Kaeding.

² Coll. of Leland Stanford Jr. University. The others belong to U. S. Nat. Mus.



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