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Dear Dr. Harrison;

England.

I have for acknowledgment your letters of March 31st. and April 11th.. Thank you but I do not need specimens of Tyto alba, Sula bassana, Tetrao urogallus or the Anser fabalis brachyrhynchus.

In reading over your letters I note you can spare the following

Tufted Duck, Male and Female Teal, Adult Male.

Teal, Adult Male.
Smew, Adult Female only, not a male.

Rook, Female.

These I would like to have if they are really good specimens and of recent vintage

The parcel containing the four woodpeckers has just arrived. Thank you for them. I was rather disappointed to note that they are not very good specimens, however I have relaxed and remade the two Great Spotted, but the Lesser a beyond my capabilities.

At the moment I have for exchange the following,

1 Mergus serrator, ad.M.

- l Oidemia deglandi dixoni, as F.
- l Accipiter striatus velox F.
- 2 Loxia c. sitkensis, F.
- l Pipilo maculatus oregonis M.
- 1 Euphagus cyanocephalus, M.
- l Aphriza virgata,

all are good skins except the O.d.dixoni which is only fair. Are you interested in any of these?

I have now secured a specimen of $\underline{\text{Branta b. bernicla}}$ so kindly cross it off $\mbox{ my list of desiderata.}$

For some unknown reason the Hooded Mergansers have become very scarce about here. I have sent out S.O.S. calls to friends , but so far without result.

I look forward with pleasure to receiving your list of duplicate

material.

Kind regards to David who I hope is enjoying his medical studies, and with best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Kenneth Racey.