

FRANCIS WILLIAM RAWLE

1873-1911

Francis William Rawle, an Associate Member of the Club, as well as of the American Ornithologists' Union, died after a short illness on June 12, 1911. He was born at Rosemont, Pa., September 22, 1873, and was educated at the Haverford College Grammar School, Phillips Exeter Academy and Williams College, where he graduated in 1895. Later he studied law, receiving degrees from Harvard in 1897 and Pennsylvania in 1898, after which he practiced his profession in Philadelphia.

From boyhood Mr. Rawle had been intensely interested in the study of natural history, especially of birds, upon which subject he had formed an exceptionally fine library. Although not a

regular attendant at the D. V. O. C. meetings, he was deeply interested in the Club and its work and was one of its most generous and earnest supporters. Shortly before his death he presented a beautifully mounted series of local birds to the D. V. O. C. which practically completed its local collection. Mr. Rawle endeared himself to all with whom he came in contact and in his death, we realize, the Club has lost a valuable member and a generous supporter, while the members will miss a true friend.