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—John Cassin (1862), in *Illustrations of the Birds of California, Texas, Oregon, British and Russian America*, J. B. Lippincott & Co., Philadelphia.



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An unidentified fledgling (Crow sp.?) drawn in 1907 by DVOC founder William Baily. Below the drawing reads, “The First Day Out, ‘Oh where is my home to-night?’”