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“LEGLESS” SILVER GULL

In regard to Mrs. Paton's note on the “legless” Silver Gull (*Larus novaehollandiae*) (*S.A. Ornith.* 24, 1963, p. 14), I would suggest that this bird was not in fact legless, but merely carrying the feet tucked up under the feathers of the underside. I believe that this is of fairly common occurrence amongst the genus *Larus*, I having noted it fairly frequently in the Black-headed Gull (*Larus ridibundus*) in Great Britain, and also once in the present species at Outer Harbor.

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