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Red-throated Loon – *Gavia stellata stellata* (Pontopp.). It was common on Bering Is., where it nested on all large and many small lakes, and it is rare on Mednyi Island /Stejneger, 1885; Iogansen, 1934; Marakov, 1964/. At the present time its numbers are small on both islands. In the northern part of Bering Is., where in the 1950's about 10 pairs nested /Marakov, 1964/, now annually only 3 pairs are encountered. Approximately the same number of loons breeds on the rest of the Island. On Mednyi we recorded only non-breeding birds in 1988 (2 specimens in each case on Gladkovskaya Bucht (Inlet), on Peresheek and Zhirovskoe Lake.

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Red-throated Loon – *Gavia stellata* (Pontopp.).

Rare passage species. It was sighted only once: 3 October 1982 one bird was resting on a large out-flood-plain overgrown lake in Tobol R. valley. Larionov [1926] observed it on the spring migration in the northern forest-steppe to south of Tyumen'.

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1. *Gavia stellata* (Pontoppidan, 1763)

Red-throated Loon

stellata Pontoppidan, 1763 – occurs on the passage in the western part of Kazakhstan (Ural, Caspian Sea), more seldom it is observed eastwards – to SyrDaria and Tekikul'(skie) Lakes.