

River. They were not associated with any permanent drainage system. This association of the black tern away from water and marsh has been observed on several occasions.

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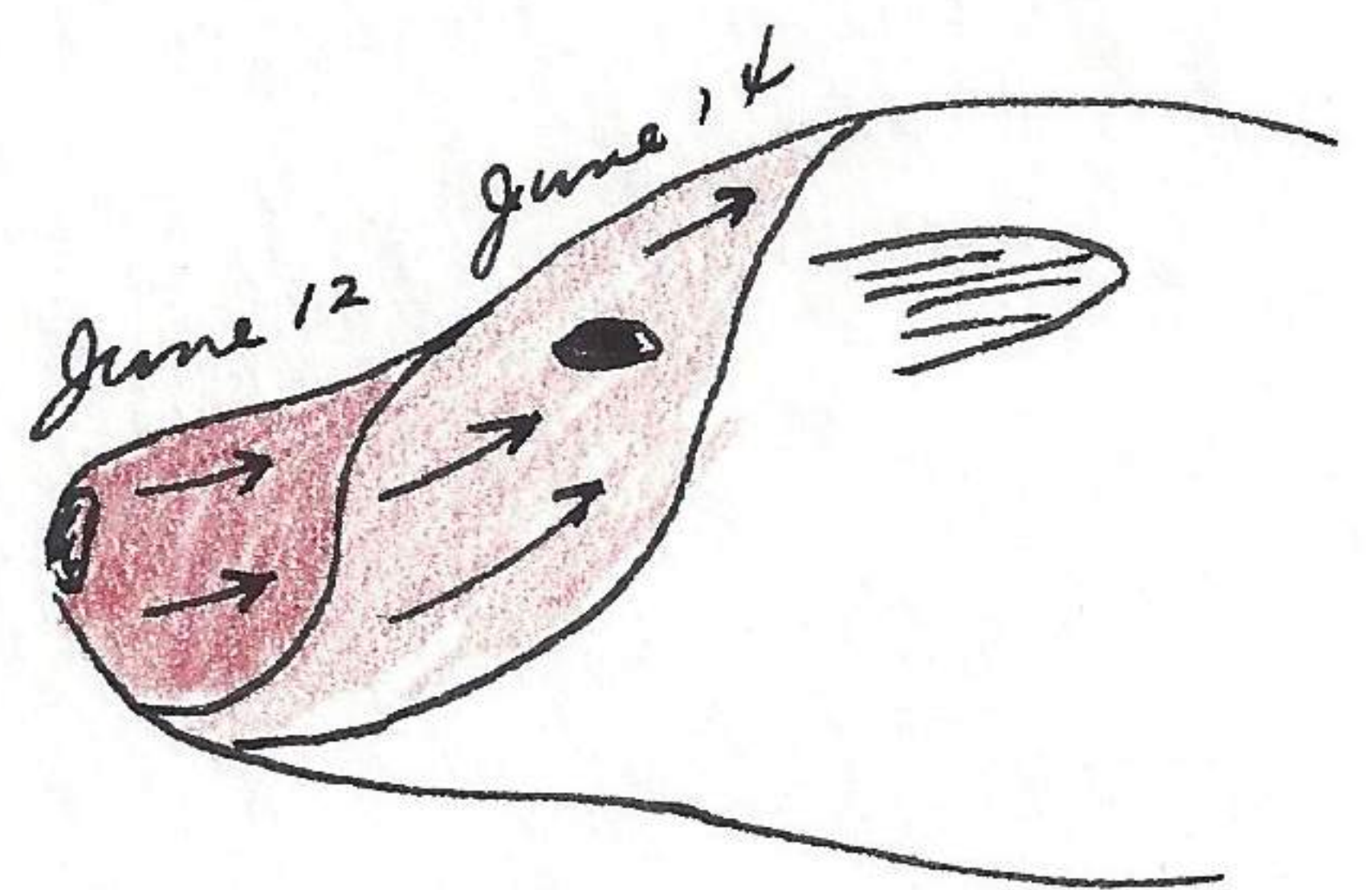
June 8, 1953

Weight of no. 530828-1 *Acrostoxypt* (ex. no. 530311-1) at 51.2 gms. The summer molt is just beginning on nose and side and top of head (?).

June 12, 1953

Weight no. 530828-1 *Acrostoxypt* (ex. no. 530311-1) at 51.4 gms.

Molt progressive back over face and top of head. One patch of back appears to be developing into summer molt. Claws like condition of May 6, 1953. Ears appear to be first to turn brown but may be left over from summer molt of last year. Slight suggestion of tawny on venter between front legs and slight fusion on side of face at about the upper lip level.



June 14, 1953

Wt of *Acrostoxypt* 530828-1, 51.0 grams. All areas of molt progressing (see figure above)

June 16, 1953

Wt of *Acrostoxypt* 530828-1, 49.7 gms wt. Greyish brown molt on dorsal part of animal progressive. One white patch between ears and in front of right ear remaining on top of head. Also 2 small white patches above eyes. Another patch of darker hair developing on back and faint concentric lines across back as indicated. On the ventral side, white except patch of tawny which has developed between the legs and on the throat area. A fusion in posterior position of front legs. Chin white, tawny below greyish-brown molt line on side of head. No evidence of molt on posterior of animal. Claws slightly worn and frayed at tips but otherwise like winter shape. Hair on and around sides of ear definitely first to change to a deep brown in summer molt followed by head molt.