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**Arctic Tern** *Sterna paradisaea* Pontoppidan 1763, Migrant  
January 1841 Ross Sea (760 S 1780 W)  
December 1929 Waikanae Rivermouth, Wellington

McCormick saw a tern in the Ross Sea in January 1841, which was very probably this species. He also saw flocks of terns on the ice at 650 S 1580 W in the Ross Sea. Wilson saw two or three parties of terns in loose pack ice in March 1904, apparently on northward migration. These were also probably Arctic Terns.

A bird in winter plumage was collected in 1929, by Mr A.C. O'Connor (Stidolph 1931; Oliver 1955). It is now known to be a regular annual migrant to New Zealand. A Finnish-ringed bird found on Stewart Island in 2004 may have made the longest known journey of any ringed bird.