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Morris's Birds of Springfield, Mass., and Vicinity.<sup>1</sup>— Much credit is due Mr. Morris for his excellent list of 'The Birds of Springfield and Vicinity.' Several pages are given to a description of the physical features of the region in question, which embraces an area of about 25 miles' radius from Springfield, thus including the eastern slope of the Berkshire Hills and the isolated elevations known as Mount Tom, Mount Holyoke and Nonotuck, in the valley of the Connecticut near Northampton.

The number of species listed as authentically recorded from the vicinity of Springfield is 255, while four others are mentioned as probably occurring; five additional introduced species are listed and two are stated to have become extirpated. The list is satisfactorily annotated and gives evidence of care and thoroughness in its preparation. Some 60 species are added to the list published by J. A. Allen in 1865, which had reference, however, to a much smaller area than the present list. We note no omissions or erroneous identifications, and commend the list as a valuable addition to the faunal papers relating to the ornithology of New England.—J. A. A.

McGregor's 'List of the Land Birds of Santa Cruz County, California.'<sup>2</sup> — This list appears to be based primarily on an unpublished list of the birds of Santa Cruz County by Mr.W. Otto Emerson, and a published list of the birds of the same county by Mr. Henry Keading, supplemented by notes made in the field by Mr. T. J. Hoover and the writer. Also other published lists have been utilized. Mr. McGregor says: "The present list is of local interest only, but it is hoped that it may be of assistance to those engaged in faunal work and form a foundation for a future and more complete exposition of the Santa Cruz avifauna."

The description of the physical characteristics of the region is furnished by Mr. Walter K. Fisher. This is followed by the list proper, which includes 139 species, with pertinent annotations. Reference is duly made to previously published records, which are cited as authorities for statements in the text. -J. A. A.

Torrey's 'Everyday Birds.'<sup>3</sup>—Mr. Torrey's 'Everyday Birds' consists of a series of twenty-one chapters, seventeen of which relate to special birds or groups of birds, and four to more general subjects. The

<sup>3</sup> Everyday Birds | Elementary Studies | By | Bradford Torrey | With Twelve Illustrations in | Colors after Audubon, and | Two from Photographs | [Vignette] | Boston and New York | Houghton, Mifflin and Company | The Riverside Press, Cambridge | 1901.—Square 12mo, pp. 106. Price, \$1.00.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The | Birds of Springfield | and Vicinity | By Robert O. Morris | Springfield, Mass. | Published by Henry R. Johnson | 1901.—8vo, pp. 54.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A List of the Land Birds of Santa Cruz County California. By Richard C. McGregor. Pacific Coast Avifauna, No. 2, pp. 1–22, May 15, 1901.