

'Along the Labrador Coast' is thus an entertaining and instructive narrative of much literary merit.—J. A. A.

Clark on New Birds from Eastern Asia and the Aleutian Islands.¹— This paper, the author states, is based mainly on a collection of birds made by the late Mr. P. L. Jouy during a residence of over three years in Korea. This collection, containing 554 specimens, was being worked up by Mr. Jouy at the time of his death in 1894, but his report was never completed, and there have been as yet only incidental reference to a few of the species. The new forms here described have come to light through the preparation by Dr. Clark of a report on the ornithological results of the recent cruise of the United States Fisheries steamer 'Albatross,' during which he has been permitted to make use of the Jouy and other pertinent material in the National Museum.

The 18 new species and subspecies here characterized include a new ptarmigan (*Lagopus rupestris chamberlaini*) from Adak Island, Aleutian Islands, collected by Mr. C. H. Townsend in 1893. It is described as "the grayest and one of the lightest" of the local forms of ptarmigan of the Aleutian chain. The new forms are mostly from Korea, but include five or six from Japan. A new genus, *Tisa*, is proposed for *Emberiza variabilis* Temminck, which has heretofore been referred to various genera by different authors.—J. A. A.

Blackwelder's Notes on Chinese Zoölogy— In this Report² the birds occupy pp. 483–506, and is based on a collection of 64 specimens, representing 49 species, "supplemented by descriptions of 81 additional species, individuals of which were examined in the hand or seen at short range and described at the time of observation. Regarding some of the latter there is necessarily more or less doubt." The identification of the specimens is accredited to Dr. Charles W. Richmond, and the single new form (*Olbiorchilus fumigatus idius* Richmond) rests on his inedited description. Of the 132 species recorded about twenty are entered as doubtfully determined and more than half of the others rest on field determinations of birds seen in life. Colored plates of six species, drawn by Mr. J. L. Ridgway, illustrate the report on the birds. The region traversed includes portions of the Provinces of Chi-li, Shan-tung, Lian-tung, Shan-si and Shen-si.—J. A. A.

Bangs on Birds from Costa Rica and Chiriqui.³— This paper is based on

¹ Eighteen new Species and one new Genus of Birds from Eastern Asia and the Aleutian Islands. By Austin H. Clark, of the United States Bureau of Fisheries. Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., Vol. XXXII, pp. 467–475. Published June 15, 1907.

² Research in China. Expedition of 1903–04, under the Direction of Bailey Willis. Report on Zoölogy, by Eliot Blackwelder. Extracted from Carnegie Institution of Washington Publication No. 54, Research in China, Vol. I, Part II, pp. 481–508, pl. col. lviii–lxiii. Published June, 1907.

³ Notes on Birds from Costa Rica and Chiriqui, with descriptions of new forms and new records for Costa Rica. By Outram Bangs. Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, Vol. XIX, pp. 101–112. Published July 30, 1907.