

Sclater's Revised List of the Birds of Jamaica.¹—The present List is a "second edition" of the list prepared by the brothers Alfred and Edward Newton for the 'Handbook of Jamaica' for 1881, brought down to date. The principal papers on Jamaican birds are cited in the introductory, special commendation being given of Mr. W. E. D. Scott's 'Observations on the Birds of Jamaica' published in 'The Auk' for 1891, 1892, and 1893, and made in the winter of 1890-91. The present list numbers 194 species, of which 99 are given as constant residents, 52 as winter visitors, and 43 as occasional visitors. Of the 99 constituting the first class, 42 are absolutely confined to Jamaica, and 57 range more or less widely outside of the island. The list is briefly annotated, in reference to the manner and season of occurrence of the species, and there are references under each to the principal places of previous record. The nomenclature is not modern. The list is, however, a useful and convenient summary of Jamaican ornithology.—J. A. A.

MacSwain's 'A Catalogue of the Birds of Prince Edward Island.'²—This list,² based on the field notes of the author covering the period 1895-1907, contains 203 species, with supplementary lists containing 17 species previously recorded by other observers, making a total of 220 species thus far known to occur on the island. One, however, is entered twice, once in the main list as *Ammodramus caudacutus subvirgatus* and again in the supplementary list as *Ammodramus nelsoni subvirgatus*! The nomenclature is that of the second edition of the A. O. U. Check-List, and a subsequent change in the name of this form has evidently misled the author. The list is briefly annotated, and is followed by migration tables giving the dates of arrival of some 30 species, as observed by the author, from 1895 to 1905. Of special interest is the following record of the Storm Petrel (*Procellaria pelagica*, p. 572): "One was stuffed by Calder and sent to the museum of the Truro Academy in the autumn of 1905. Two were blown ashore on the north coast of the Island during the great November gales of 1906, and were brought to Mr. Calder." It may be noted that Leach's Petrel (*Oceanodroma leucorhoa*) is not included in the main list but is recorded in the second supplemental list as "Occasionally blown ashore during storms (Bain)." An examination of the specimen at the Truro Academy by a competent expert would be of interest, as there seems to be no other positive record of the occurrence of the Storm Petrel on the American coast.—J. A. A.

¹ Revised List of the Birds of Jamaica. By P. L. Sclater, Dr. Sc., F. R. S. 8vo, pp. 24. Reprinted from the 'Handbook of Jamaica' for 1910.

² A Catalogue of the Birds of Prince Edward Island. By John MacSwain, Charlottetown, P. E. I. Proc. and Trans. Nova Scotia Institute of Science, Vol. XI, part 4, pp. 570-592. August, 1908.