

these or in the discussions on their relationship we note the following new forms proposed: *Pachycephala orpheus wetterensis*, Wetter Isl.; *Philemon timoriensis pallidiceps*, Wetter Isl.; *Halcyon australasia tringorum*, Roma Isl.; *Trichoglossus hamatodus flavotectus*, Wetter and Roma; *Falco longipennis hanieli* Bonleo, West Timor. The plate illustrates *Dicaeum hanieli* and *Planesticus fumidus schlegelii*.— W. S.

Elms' 'A Pocket-Book of British Birds' ¹ and other 'Handbooks.'

— This little volume, truly a 'pocket edition,' contains more information on British birds in a compact form than any book with which we are acquainted and would seem to be just the thing for American bird students who visit England and desire to become acquainted with some of the native birds. The information is arranged under clearly indicated headings: haunts, observation, plumage, language, habits, food, nest site, materials, eggs, etc. Messrs. West Newman & Co. have also published a somewhat similar though far less complete book on 'Familiar Indian Birds' ² by Gordon Dalglish and a larger work on 'Practical Bird-keeping' ³ consisting of reprinted articles from the Avicultural Magazine of 1911-12. This work brings under one cover a vast amount of data concerning the breeding and keeping of wild birds of all sorts, a pastime more widely practiced in England than in America but with many devotees on both sides of the Atlantic.— W. S.

Miss Keezel's 'Bird Study Note Book.' ⁴— This is a copy book, six and a quarter by eight and a quarter inches, with columns for recording the name, date of arrival, coloration, etc., of each species of bird observed. It will doubtless be helpful to teachers conducting a children's bird class, although many of them will doubtless prefer to use perfectly blank books and rule them according to their own ideas.— W. S.

Shufeldt, on Extinct Ostrich Birds of the United States. ⁵— A discussion of the relationships of the fossil avian genus *Diatryma*, with numerous quotations from various authorities. The author regards the genus as more nearly related to *Struthio* than to the Gastornithidæ where it has been placed by some writers.— W. S.

¹ A Pocket-Book of British Birds. By E. F. M. Elms. London, 1906. West, Newman & Co., 54 Hatton Garden. Small 8vo. pp. 1-150. 1906. 2s. 6d.

² Familiar Indian Birds. By Gordon Dalglish. 8vo. pp. 1-90. West, Newman & Co. London. 1909.

³ Practical Bird-Keeping. Edited by J. Lewis Bonhote. West, Newman & Co. London. 1913.

⁴ Bird Study Note Book for Intermediate and Grammar School Grades. By Clara Cozad Keezel. Single copies, 27 cents, postpaid. Discount for Quantities. Garnet, Kansas.

⁵ Extinct Ostrich Birds of the United States. By Dr. R. W. Shufeldt. Aquila, 1913, pp. 411-422, pls. I-V. (In Hungarian and English).