The Ornithological Journals.¹

Bird-life in Southern Illinois. II. By Robert Ridgway.

Bird-Lore's Fifteenth Christmas Census, shows an increase in the number of reports as well as their thoroughness. Some editorial correction would seem warranted in such a case as that of the Chickadees since the record of both species in South Carolina, where only the Carolina is known, will prove confusing.

The Audubon department is full of interest while the Educational Leaflet treats of the Loon with a color plate by Brooks.

A Forty-five Year History of the Snowy Heron in Utah. By A., E. and A. O. Treganza.
The effects of Irrigation on Bird Life in the Yakima Valley, Washington. By Clarence H. Kennedy.—An estimated increase of 60,000 birds.
Breeding of the Bronzed Cowbird in Arizona. By M. F. Gilman.
The Nesting of the Black Swift. By W. L. Dawson.—Corroborating the breeding of the species at Santa Cruz.

Birds Observed on Forrester Island, Alaska During the Summer of 1913. By Harold Heath.

By Austin P. Smith.

Notes on a Northern Robin Roost. By A. R. Abel.
A Hermit Thrush Study. By Cordelia J. Stanwood.

The Determination of the Food of Nesting Birds. By A. R. Cahn.
A Flight of Shore-birds near Youngstown, Ohio. By J. P. Young.

¹ The names of the editor and publisher of each journal will be found in the January number of 'The Auk.'
Nineteen Years of Bird Migration at Oberlin, Ohio. By Lynds Jones.

Discouraging the English Sparrow. By T. H. Whitney.


Nine Unusual and Interesting Experiences. By G. A. Abbott.—Nesting of Marbled Godwit, etc.


Numerous papers on nesting of other Owls.


The Last Passenger Pigeon. By R. W. Shufeldt.—With a reproduction of a photograph of the head taken from the dead bird.

The Brown Creeper at Home. By Cordelia J. Stanwood.—With excellent photographs of nests and young and careful detailed study.

Farming Birds in Iowa. By Florence L. Clark.—Farms made into bird refuges by agreement of owners to allow nothing but predatory animals to be killed thereon.


On a Collection of Birds from British East Africa and Uganda, presented to the British Museum by Capt. G. S. Cozens. Part I. By Claude H. B. Grant.—The collection was made by Mr. Willoughby P. Lowe who accompanied Capt. Cozens, and the trip extended from September 21, 1912, to March 7, 1913, covering country between Naivasha and the German border and then northwest to the White Nile. The various geographic races are discussed and compared under each species.

A Recent Ornithological Discovery in Australia. By Gregory M. Mathews.—A geographic and historical discussion of the avifauna of northern Australia.


Report of the Birds collected by the late Mr. Boyd Alexander during his last Expedition to Africa.—Part II. The Birds of St. Thomas’ Island. By David A. Bannerman.—Sixty-five species.

Note on the Genus Ithagenes. By E. C. Stuart Baker.—Excellent colored plate of the heads.

A Few Notes on Tetrao urogallus and its Allies. By Collingwood Ingram.—T. u. aquitanicus subsp. nov. (p. 132) from the Pyrenees.


Messrs. Rothschild and Hartert (p. 24) describe Ceyx solitaria mulcata subsp. nov., New Hanover.

Mr. D. A. Bannerman discusses the birds of the islands of the Gulf of Guinea.

Mr. Claude Grant describes Scopus umbretta bannermani subsp. nov.
(p. 27), Mt. Leganisho, B. E. A., also Halycon leucocephala ogilviei subsp. nov. (p. 28), So. Angoniland, Nyasaland and H. senegalensis superflua, subsp. nov. (p. 28), Limpopo R., Transvaal.

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Messrs. Rothschild and Hartert describe Diceaeeum geelvinkianum rosseli (p. 32), Rossel Island, Louisiade Group.

Dr. Hartert describes Callisitta azurea expectaha (p. 34), Pahang, Malay Peninsula, Mr. Ogilvie-Grant, Collocalia hirundinacea excelsa (p. 34), C. esculenta maxima (p. 35), and C. nitens (p. 35), all from the Utakwa River, Snow Mts. of New Guinea.

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Hon. Walter Rothschild discusses the nomenclature and relationship of the “Masked Gannets.” He concludes that the name Sula dactylatra should be used instead of S. cyanops and recognizes five subspecies of which S. d. californica (p. 43) is described as new from San Benedicto Island, the form ranging along the Californian and Central American coasts.

Mr. W. L. Sclater points out that the type of the genus Sula is Sula sula Brisson—S. leucogaster Bodd. He also contributes some short biographical notices of Bonaparte, Gould, Strickland and Jardine.

Mr. D. A. Bannerman describes Poliolatia alexanderi (p. 53) from Cameroon and Zosterops stenocricota poensis (p. 54), Fernando, Po.

Mr. Claude H. B. Grant proposes Centropus superciliosus loandee (p. 54) Dalla Tando, Angola; C. s. sokotra, (p. 55), Sokotra; and Melittophagus variegatus bangweoloensis (p. 55) Lake Bangweolo, N. E. Rhodesia.

**Bulletin of the British Ornithologists’ Club.** Vol. XXXIV.

This volume of 344 pages consists of the Migration Report for the spring of 1913 and autumn of 1912. It follows the plan of the preceding reports and contains an enormous amount of detailed information. Reports were received from 327 observers and light keepers. The Committee which tabulated the data recognize several distinct immigrations across the channel from France. In the case of the Cuckoo these occurred April 14–16, April 19–24 and April 27–May 1.

**British Birds.** Vol. VIII, No. 7. December 1, 1914.

Feeding-habits of the Sparrow Hawk. By W. Farron.

The ‘British Birds’ Marking Scheme. Progress for 1914 and Some Results. By H. F. Witherby.—A most interesting report.


Notes on the Breeding-Habits of the Curlew Sandpiper. By Maud D. Haviland.—At the mouth of the Yenesei River.


Notes on the Breeding-Habits of the Little Stint. By Maud D. Haviland.—At Golchika, mouth of the Yenesei.

Report on the Results of Ringing Black-Headed Gulls. By H. W. Robinson.—During the years 1909–1913, 11,769 of these Gulls were banded in the nest. Of these 414 have been recovered.
Cranes in Captivity. Edit.
The Pigeon Hollandais. By Graham Renshaw.—Historical account of Alectroenas.
Weavers. By W. Shore Baily.—Photograph of nests in his aviary.
English Names for the Parrots. By Dr. E. Hopkinson.—A convenient compilation, continued in Nos. 3 and 4.
Birds of Paradise on Little Tobago. By O. Millsum.—The birds are still doing well.
My Hummingbirds and How I Obtained Them. By A. Ezra.—Interesting account of exportation and successful keeping of several West Indian Species.
A Journey Across the Sierras. By W. S. Baily (continued).—Mr. Baily's amusing disregard of the published information on American birds is still in evidence. Of Pica nuttalli he tells us he has seen a good many in the Rocky Mts. in Utah and Wyoming! In the December number is a continuation in which we are informed of the presence of the “White-eyed Grackle (Quiscalus quiscalus agelæus)” in the Santa Clara Valley—surely a new species for California!!
Foreign Birds at the Show. By W. T. Page.—A plate of interesting hybrid Weavers, Finches and Bulbuls.
On the Species and Subspecies of the genus Fregata. By G. M. Mathews.—The bird of Ascension Island upon which the name Pelecanus aquilus of Linnaeus is based proves to be quite distinct from the common widely distributed form which must be known as Fregata minor Gm. Eight subspecies of this bird are proposed and two of F. ariel, the form of the A. O. U. Check-List is true minor.
Additions and Corrections to my List of the Birds of Australia. By G. M. Mathews.—Two new genera and 57 new subspecies or species are described.
Notes on Some Australian Types. By G. M. Mathews.
Diggles' Ornithology of Australia and Other Works. By G. M. Mathews.—Seven species described in the 'Transactions of the Philosophical Society of Queensland' were from the Aru Islands, not from Australia.
The Dates of Publication of Vieillot's Galerie des Oiseaux. By G. M. Mathews.
Notes on some of the Birds observed on Mount Dandenong, Victoria, October, 1914. By Edwin Ashby.
Recent Literature.


A Sketch of the Life of Samuel White. By S. A. White.

**Ornithologisches Jahrbuch.**¹ XXV, Heft 3–4. May–August, 1914, (October 27, 1914.) [In German.]


On the Birds of the Irkutsk Govt. By H. Johansen.— *Hypotriorchis subbuteo irkutensis* (p. 83) subsp. nov. Dorje Omoloi (Kreis Kirensk).


**Journal für Ornithologie.**² 62, Heft 4. October, 1914. [In German.]

The Phylogeny of the Thrushes. By J. Gengler (concluded).

Contributions to the Ornithology of Prussian Schlesia. By C. Keyser (concluded).

Birds of the Middle Kergisensteppe. By P. P. Suschkin (concluded).

South Somaliland as a Zoogeographic Division. By O. Graf Zedlitz.—List of 98 species (continued in January number to 194 species).


Some New Forms of Central African Birds in the Grauer Collection. By Moriz Sassi.— *Hyliota slatini* (p. 112), Beni; *Phyllastrephus lorenzi* (p. 112), Moera; *Geocichla princei graueri* (p. 113), Moera; *G. gurneyi oerländeri* (p. 115), Beni-Mawambi; *G. g. tanganjicae* (p. 116), Urwald; *Cossypha bocagei albimentalis* (p. 117), Urwald.

On a Small Collection of Birds from Northern Mesopotamia. By O. Neumann.

New Species. By A. Reichenow.— *Oreopsittacus arfaki intermedius* (p. 124), New Guinea; *Centropus senegalensis tschadensis* (p. 124), Tschad district, Central Africa; *Aethomyias nigrifrons* (p. 124), New Guinea; *Micraea poliocephala* (p. 124), New Guinea; *Pachycephala hypoleuca* p. 125), New Guinea; *Melanorhectes umbrinus* (p. 125), New Guinea; *Plocus melanolamia* (p. 125), Fernando Po.; *Zosterops setchuana* (p. 125), Ta-tsien-lu-ting in Setschuan; *Cleptornis palavensis* (p. 125), Palau; *Melirrhophetes rufocriellis* (p. 126), New Guinea; *Melilestes chloreus* (p. 126), New Guinea; *Philemonopsis meyeri canescens* (p. 126), New Guinea; *Ptilotis simplex* (p. 126), New Guinea; *Xanthotis chlorolamia* (p. 127), New Guinea; *X. melanolamia* (p. 127), New Guinea; *Thelazo-menius n. gen.* (p. 127), allied to *Xanthotis*, type *T. pacilocercus* (p. 127), New Guinea; *Chalcocithara adamaus* (p. 127), Adamaua; *C. tanganjicae* (p. 128), Urwald; *Phyllastrephus leucolamia camerunensis* (p. 128), Duma, Cameroons. *Camaroptera coneiceps* (p. 128), Duma; *Crateroscotis virgata* (p. 128), New Guinea; *C. albigula* (p. 128), New Guinea; *Pseudopitta n. gen.* (p. 129) type *Eupetes incertus* Salvad; *Crateropus jardinei hypobrun-

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neus (p. 129), Amadi, Congo dist.; *Bradornis pallidus tessmanni* (p. 129), Carmot, E. Cameroon.

On *Pelecanus sharpei*. By A. Reichenow.

**Ornithologische Monatsberichte.** Vol. 22, No. 10–11. October–November, 1914. [In German.]

*Emberiza melanoccephala* Scop. and its division into two races.—*E. m. orientalis* sp. n., (p. 159) Eastern Sarpa-steppe.

Description of a New Weaver-bird from Abyssinia. By J. v. Madarasz.—*Oxyphantes edmundi* (p. 161).


Ornithological Observations on a Trip through Uhehe and Ubena [Africa]. By L. Schuster.

**Messager Ornithologique.**¹ V, No. 3. 1914. [In Russian.]

Contributions to the Ornithology of the Tomsk Govt. By H. Johansen (continued from 1912, No. 4).

The Species and Races of *Remiza* of Russian Turkestan. By N. A. Sarudny.

**Messager Ornithologique.** V, No. 4. 1914. [In Russian.]


A New Pheasant from Turkestan. By N. A. Sarudny.—*Phasianus mongolicus bergii* subsp. nov. (p. 277).

An Unnamed Saxicola. By N. A. Sarudny.—*S. finschii neglecta* subsp. nov. (p. 279).

On the Avifauna of Transcaucasia. By P. W. Nesterow (continued from 1913, No. 3).

On the Rosy Finch of Turkestan. By N. A. Sarudny.

A Hybrid between *Nyroca ferina* and *N. nyroca*. By N. A. Sarudny.

**Messager Ornithologique.** VI, No. 1. 1915. [In Russian.]

Pages 5–8 contain a convenient list of the new names proposed in the ‘Messager’, 1910–1914, consisting of 1 genus, 2 species and 55 subspecies.

On the Avifauna of the Ussuri country. By G. J. Poljakow.—*Perdix daurica suschkini* subsp. nov. (p. 38); *Bubo bubo ussuuriensis* subsp. nov. (p. 44).

Contributions to the Ornithology of Turkestan. By N. A. Sarudny (continued from 1913, No. 4).

Some Remarks on the Geographic Distribution of *Cyanistes cyanus* and on the Origin of *C. pleskei* Cab. By J. Domaniowski.