

The illustrations consist of an outline map of the state and a number of half-tones of scenery, birds and nests from photographs of Mr. A. D. DuBois and the author, some of these having appeared previously in 'The Auk,' although the fact is not mentioned.

The author is to be congratulated in sticking to the nomenclature of the 'A. O. U. Check-List,' except in some emendations to common names. The insertion of every proposed innovation in nomenclature in a work of this kind serves no purpose but to confuse the reader and detract from the value of the publication.

Both the author and the Cooper Club are to be congratulated upon the appearance of this notable addition to the well known series of which it forms a part.—W. S.

Hartert on the Types in the Tring Museum.—In November, 1918, Dr. Ernst Hartert published a list of the types of birds in the Brehm Collection in the Tring Museum, which was followed in 1919 by the first instalment of a catalogue of the types in the general collection, covering the Corvidae to the Meliphagidae. The second instalment¹ is now before us carrying the list from the Nectariniidae through the Troglodytidae.

Some idea of the size and importance of the Tring Collection may be gathered from the fact that this list, so far, includes no less than 878 types. Most of the types are of species described by Lord Rothschild and Dr. Hartert although there are a number of other authors. In the course of his work Dr. Hartert has had occasion to name several new forms which appear in this list for the first time: *Cinnyris alinae vulcanorum* (p. 426) Kivu, Urwald; *C. souimanga apolis* (p. 428) Madagascar; *Zosterops intermedia periplecta* (p. 434) Lombok; *Pellicinius zeylonus phanus* (p. 451) Farta Bay, W. Africa; *Prinia mistacea graueri* (p. 457) near Baraka, Africa; *Sylvietta leucophrys chloronota* (p. 460) Baraka, Africa; *Cisticola tinniens perpalla* (p. 466) Benguella; *Turdus obsoletus parambanus* (p. 475) Paramba, Ecuador; *T. fumigatus caparo* (p. 475) Trinidad; *Cyornis banyumas peromissa* (p. 491) Selayer, south of Celebes; *Rhipidura rufiventris tiandu* (p. 497) Taam Island, Tiandu Group.—W.S.

Gurney's 'Early Annals of Ornithology.'—In this volume² Mr. Gurney has collected a mass of data concerning the earliest published accounts of birds, with exact quotations from the texts and reproductions of a number of the most interesting drawings. Beginning with the prehistoric bird pictures in the Spanish caves he traces the development of

¹ Types of Birds in the Tring Museum. By Ernst Hartert, Ph.D. B. Types in the General Collection. (Continued from *Novitates Zoologicae*, 1919, p. 178.) (*Novitates Zoologicae* XXVII, pp. 425-505. November, 1920.)

² *Early Annals of Ornithology.* By J. H. Gurney, F. Z. S., Author of "The Gannet, A Bird with a History," "A Catalogue of the Birds of Prey, *Accipitres* and *Striges*," etc., with illustrations from photographs and old prints. H. F. & G. Witherby, 326 High Holborn, London, 1921. 8 vo. pp. 1-240. 12 shillings, 6 pence net.