

**Hylocichla ustulata swainsoni.** OLIVE-BACKED THRUSH.—May 19, 1920, among the hills in Breathitt Co.

**Planesticus migratorius migratorius.** ROBIN.—A common bird May 8 to 23 and September 23 to 26, in the level counties but three only seen about the town of Jackson, Breathitt Co., May 19, 1920, and not found elsewhere in the hills

**Sialia sialis sialis.** BLUEBIRD.—Several noted in about all counties visited.

*Highland Park, Reservoir Ave., Rochester, N. Y.*

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## A NEW BURROWING OWL FROM COLOMBIA.

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IN a collection of Colombian birds recently received by the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia from Mr. M. A. Carriker, Jr., are two specimens of a Burrowing Owl which appear to represent an undescribed form.

They are nearest geographically to *Speotyto cunicularia tolimae* described by the writer<sup>1</sup> from the plains of Tolima, but curiously enough while that form is the darkest Burrowing Owl that I have seen from South America the present is among the lightest. It may be described as follows:

### ***Speotyto cunicularia carrikeri* subsp. nov.**

*Type.* No. 73700 Coll. Acad. Nat. Sci., Philadelphia. Palmar, Boyaca, Colombia. April 24, 1917, coll. M. A. Carriker, Jr.

*Description.* Resembles almost exactly in general coloration specimens of *S. c. hypogaea*, from California, and similar to the large pale birds of southern South America, but it is of about the same dimensions as the small dark colored *S. c. tolimae* of Colombia.

The outermost tail feathers are white with remains of four dusky bars mainly on the outer web and reduced to a mere streak in the case of the uppermost; on the next three pairs the bars are broad and well defined on the outer web, but the inner web is largely buffy white, the distal bars sometimes partly developed. The outer feathers are equally barred on both webs.

This bird is much worn and the light spots above and on the wings are white.

The other example (No. 73699) is marked as a female and is distinctly tawny, the tail more heavily barred and all light spots on tail, wings and back, strongly suffused with tawny. There is, however, in neither specimen a suggestion of the almost chocolate brown of *S. c. tolimae*.

The type measures as follows: Wing 173 mm, tail 78, tarsus 46. exposed culmen (from cere) 14.

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<sup>1</sup> Stone, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci., Phila., 1899. p. 304.