

species the author continues to quote from various writers interesting and characteristic notes on habits and nidification.

Five plates accompany this part. Two in colors are from paintings by Grönvold and represent species of *Geranospizias* and *Melierax*. One color plate illustrates eggs of *Astur* and *Accipiter* and there are two sepia reproductions, one of an original sketch by Wolf of a Goshawk attacking a Capercaillie and one of a photograph of a European Sparrow Hawk's nest.—W. S.

Delacour and Jabouille on the Birds of Central Annam.—This important paper¹ describes a collection made mainly in the province of Quangtri, central Annam, by M. Delacour, the well known French ornithologist, and M. Jabouille, the French Resident of the district. The region is particularly interesting as it is here that the Chinese and Malayan faunas meet. Altogether 311 species were obtained of which several have been described as new in the 'Bulletin of British Ornithologists' Club.'

We have subsequently received a much more elaborate account² of this expedition published as No. 1, of the 'Archives of Natural History' by the Societe Nationale d'Acclimatation de France. This is in French and is entirely rewritten with much more elaborate annotations and numerous illustrations additional to the two color plates appearing in the 'Ibis' article. Some of these are plates of birds in color and others in line drawings while there are many half-tone illustrations from photographs of scenery and other views in Annam, the whole forming an extremely attractive volume.—W. S.

Chapman on New South American Birds.—This paper³ is to use the author's words "a by-product" of the study of the collections received by the American Museum from Ecuador and related countries and is the eleventh of the series.

Fourteen new forms are described while the races of *Compsocoma somptuosa* are considered at some length and their distribution worked out. The descriptions are accompanied by lists of specimens examined and full discussions of relationship such as usually characterize Dr. Chapman's papers. The author calls for any criticism or comment that this paper may inspire in order that they may be considered in connection with his proposed memoir on Ecuadorean birds.—W. S.

¹ On the Birds of Quangtri, Central Annam; with Notes on others from other parts of French Indo-China. By Jean Delacour and Pierre Jabouille. *Ibis*. January, 1925, pp. 209-260.

² Recherches Ornithologiques dans la Province de Quangtri (Centre Annam) et quelques autres Regions de l'Indochine Francaise. Par J. Delacour et Pierre Jabouille. Paris, 1925, pp. i-xii. pp. 1-197.

³ Descriptions of New Birds from Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, and Argentina. By Frank M. Chapman, American Museum Novitates, No. 160, February 26, 1925, pp. 1-14.