

■ We trust that our American ornithologists will support this publication by purchasing a copy and so help to keep up a work indispensable to the systematic investigator as well as to possess a complete list of the ornithological publications of the world for the year, 1924.—W. S.

Mathews' 'The Birds of Australia.'—Part 5 of Volume XII of his great work¹ contains the Weaver-Finches of the genera *Steganopleura*, *Donacola*, *Chloromunia*, *Heteromunia*, *Aidemosyne* and *Aegintha*. The plates are more than usually attractive and are among the best that Grönvold has done.

There are still a few species of this family to consider as well as the Orioles, Crows, Bowerbirds, etc., about thirty in all, so that Mr. Mathews should be able to finish his task in four or five more numbers.—W. S.

Van Oordt and Verwey's 'Catalogue of the Birds of the Netherlands.'—This list² is of interest in view of the preparation of a new edition of the A. O. U. 'Check-List' but unfortunately there seems to be but little original attention given to the nomenclature which for the most part is that of the 'Hand-list of British Birds' by Hartert et al., although *Colymbus* is used for the Loons as it should be. No attempt is made to present binomial as well as trinomial names in cases where several subspecies are listed, and, after all, perhaps this is the best solution of a difficult problem. Subspecies and species appear in the same sized type and are numbered consecutively from 1 to 349, the idea evidently being that the catalogue is a list of all the "kinds of birds" found in the Netherlands and that the trinomial indicates the subspecific character without the interpolation of a "specific" group name which is constantly misinterpreted.—W. S.

Chapman on New Birds from Ecuador and Peru.—This paper³ styled by its author "one more concluding" paper of the series dealing with the Ecuadorian collections of the American Museum of Natural History and related material, contains descriptions of a new genus *Tumbezia* (p. 1) for *Ochthoeca salvini* Tacz. and new subspecies of the genera *Falco*, *Ara*, *Dysithamnus*, *Grallaricula*, *Synallaxis*, *Myrmotherula* and *Pheugopedius*.—W. S.

Lord Rothschild on a Collection from N. W. Yunnan.—This report⁴

¹ The Birds of Australia. By Gregory M. Mathews. Vol. XII, Part 5. November 23, 1925, pp. 185-224.

² Voorkomen en Trek der in Nederland in het Wild Waargenomen Vogelsoorten door Dr. G. J. Van Oordt en Jan Verwey. Uitgegeven door de Nederlandsche Ornithologische Vereeniging. N. V. Boekhandel en Drukkerij voorheen E. J. Brill. Leiden. 1925, pp. 1-96.

³ Descriptions of One New Genus and of Species of Birds from Peru and Ecuador. By Frank M. Chapman. Amer. Mus. Novit. No. 205. December 28, 1925, pp. 1-11.

⁴ On a Fourth Collection of Birds made by Mr. George Forrest in Northwestern Yunnan. By Lord Rothschild. Novitates Zoologicae XXXII, pp. 293-313. December, 1925.