

Struthionines inclusive. Some additions are to follow. We note the following new names proposed in the course of the studies of these groups: *Treron pompadora goodsoni* (p. 2) Tukang Isds. S. E. of Celebes; *Coenocorypha aucklandica meinertzhagenae* (p. 15) Antipodes Islands; *Haematopus ostralegus chathamensis* (p. 17) Chatham Islands; *Gygis alba rothschildi* (p. 18) Laysan Island. There are 207 types listed in the present paper and 1745 in the entire general collection.

Dr. Hartert has also published<sup>1</sup> on some birds from the Muluya Valley, East Marocco. The paper being based on 35 specimens obtained by Admiral Lynes representing 12 species. Mr. Albert Collin and Dr. Hartert have published a list<sup>2</sup> of 31 bird names which have to be changed for one reason or another and fifteen new names are proposed.

Lord Rothschild contributes a supplement<sup>3</sup> to his Avifauna of Yunnan consisting of an annotated list of 73 species prepared by Mr. LaTouche of which 22 were additional to Lord Rothschild's former list (Novitates, XXXIII, pp. 189-343).—W. S.

**Philippine Birds for Boys and Girls.**—Mr. McGregor and Miss Marshall have published a second edition of their little book<sup>4</sup> on 'Philippine Birds for Boys and Girls.' The first edition was noticed in 'The Auk' for 1922, p. 438, and the present is essentially similar, illustrated as was the other by colored plates and drawings of the commoner species by Macario Ligaya. It is very encouraging to know that the interest in birds on the islands has been such as to require a second edition of this excellent little book.—W. S.

**Simmons' 'Sindbads of Science.'**—Under this title Mr. George Finlay Simmons contributes an article<sup>5</sup> to the July issue of the 'National Geographic Magazine' describing the Cleveland Museum's expedition to the South Atlantic. The narrative is interesting reading, made still more so by the ninety excellent photographs with which it is illustrated, and birds claim quite a share of attention. The expedition touched at the Cape Verde Islands, the coast of Africa, Ascension, St. Helena, Trinidad and other islets of the South Atlantic, as well as Rio Janeiro and Fernando

<sup>1</sup> On Some Birds from the Muluya Valley, East Marocco. By Ernst Hartert. Ibid. pp. 46-49, August, 1927.

<sup>2</sup> Nomina Mutanda. By Albert Collin and Ernst Hartert. Ibid. pp. 50-52. August, 1927.

<sup>3</sup> Supplement to the Avifauna of Yunnan (Novitates, XXXIII, pp. 189-343). Ibid. pp. 39-45, August, 1927.

<sup>4</sup> Philippine Birds for Boys and Girls. By Richard C. McGregor and Elizabeth J. Marshall. With illustrations by Macario Ligaya. Second Edition. Manila. McCullough Printing Company, 1927, pp. 1-138. Six color plates and many text figures. Price \$1.40.

<sup>5</sup> Sindbads of Science. Narrative of a Windjammer's Specimen-Collecting Voyage to the Sargasso Sea, to Senegambian Africa and Among Islands of High Adventure in the South Atlantic. By George Finlay Simmons. Leader of the Expedition. Nat. Geogr. Magazine, LII, No. 1, July, 1927, pp. 1-75.

Noronha and was gone for thirty-one months. Reports on the collections obtained will appear later.—W. S.

**Delacour and Jabouille on the Ornithology of French Indo-China.**—Mm. Jean Delacour and Pierre Jabouille have published an account<sup>1</sup> of their second expedition to French Indo-China consisting of a well annotated list of 443 species and subspecies of birds collected in the provinces of Tranninh in Laos, and Thua-thien and Kontoum in Annam, in 1925 and 1926. Mr. Willoughby P. Lowe coöperated with the authors on behalf of the British Museum and a preliminary report on the expedition appeared in 'The Ibis' for January, 1927. There are eight half-tone plates of scenery and six colored plates of new species and subspecies obtained by the expedition, which have already been described in the 'Bulletin' of the British Ornithologists' Club.

We note that seven males of the rare Edwards' Pheasant were secured. The report is a most valuable contribution to the ornithology of this interesting region of which M. Delacour is making a speciality.—W. S.

**McGregor on Philippine Birds.**—In a paper<sup>2</sup> entitled 'New or Noteworthy Philippine Birds, V.' Mr. McGregor describes two new forms *Phodilus riverae* (p. 518) from Samar, and *Prionochilus parsonsi* (p. 520) from Luzon, and also two new subgenera of *Prionochilus*, *Polisornis* (p. 522) with *P. anthonyi* McGregor as type, and *Bournsia* (p. 525) with *P. aeruginosus* Bourns as type.

There are a number of notes on other species, also a colored plate of *Gallicolumba keayi* (Clarke) and photographs of the head of *Pithecophaga jefferyi*.—W. S.

**Huey on Birds of Lower California.**—Mr. Laurence M. Huey has published an annotated list<sup>3</sup> of birds seen or collected at San Felipe in northeastern Lower California during a month's exploration in the spring of 1926, in the interests of the San Diego Society of Natural History. One new form *Dryobates nuttallii longirostra* (p. 27) is described.

There are notes on some ninety forms and several photographs of typical scenery of this excessively arid region.

In another paper<sup>4</sup> Mr. Huey discusses the zonal status of the Sierra

<sup>1</sup> Recherches Ornithologiques dans les Provinces du Tranninh (Laos) de Thua-thien et de Kontoum (Annam) et quelques autres regions de l'Indochine Francaise. Par Jean Delacour et Pierre Jabouille. Archives d'Histoire Naturelle publ. par la Societe Nationale d'Acclimatation de France. III. Paris, 1927. pp. 1-xii 1-216.

<sup>2</sup> New or Noteworthy Philippine Birds, V. Philippine Journal of Science, Vol. 32, No. 4, April, 1927.

<sup>3</sup> Birds Recorded in Spring at San Felipe, northeastern Lower California, Mexico, with the Description of a New Woodpecker from that Locality, Trans. San Diego Soc. Nat. Hist., V, No. 2, pp. 11-40. Pls. 2 and 3. July 14, 1927.

<sup>4</sup> A Discussion of the Zonal Status of the Sierra San Pedro Martir, Lower California, Mexico. By Laurence M. Huey. Trans. San Diego Soc. of Nat. Hist., V, No. 1, pp. 1-10. pl. 1, February 20, 1927.