

asm for the hills which are his home "The Wissahickon Valley," he writes, "is not only a place of a thousand memories, but a place for new revelations of beauty of landscape. I who have lived on its hills for more than fifty years, have by no means exhausted their possibilities for surprise and for the awakening of wonder. . . . Tomorrow I may see birds here I never saw before, or arctic snowbirds again; and some day I may find gentain again or a lucky penny. And dawn and sunset, dewfall and the fall of night, moonrise and the stars are never twice the same. These hills, I know, will have freshness and charm for me all the days of my life."—W. S.

Birds of the German Gran Chaco Expedition.—Dr. Hans Krieg, Director of the museum at Munich accompanied by Dr. E. Linder of Stuttgart and a preparateur, Michael Kiefer, during the latter part of 1925 and most of 1926, made an expedition from Buenos Aires up the Rio Parana and through the Gran Chaco country to Santa Cruz and back to Asuncion. The bird collection which they obtained has been studied by Dr. Alfred Laubmann and his report upon it is presented in the volume before us.¹ He lists 339 species and subspecies of which *Taraba major krugi* (p. 172) from Santa Cruz, and *Campylorhamphus trochilirostris hellmayri* (p. 198) from Puerto Bermejo, Argentine Chaco, are described as new.

There is a synonymy under each species of all references pertaining to the region under consideration and a full discussion of the relationship of each form. Many halftones of scenery, birds and nests illustrate the text while there are a number of outline maps.

Dr. Laubmann, in the introductory pages, discusses the physical features of the Chaco region and the life zones, listing the characteristic birds of each and comparing his conclusions with those of Dr. Alexander Wetmore.² His whole treatment as well as his nomenclature is thoroughly up to date and he is to be congratulated upon an excellent piece of work. The volume forms a most welcome addition to the literature of South American ornithology and connects, as it were, the report of Mrs. Naumburg just reviewed with that of Dr. Wetmore to the south.—W. S.

Phillips' 'Catalogue of Game Books.'—Dr. John C. Phillips has placed all lovers of sport as well as ornithologists and mammalogists' under lasting obligations by the publication of this painstaking bibliography.³ The main portion consists of a list of works dealing, in whole or in part,

¹ Wissenschaftliche Ergebnisse der Deutschen Gran Chaco-Expedition (Leiter: Professor Dr. Hans Krieg). Vögel, Alfred Laubmann, pp. i-xv, 1-334. Price RM 42. Strecker und Schröder, Verlag, Stuttgart.

² Observations on the Birds of Argentina, Paraguay, Uruguay and Chile. Bull. 133, U. S. Nat. Mus. 1926.

³ American Game Mammals and Birds. A Catalogue of Books, 1582-1925. Sport, Natural History, and Conservation. By John C. Phillips with the approval of the Boone & Crockett Club. Boston and New York: Houghton Mifflin Company; The Riverside Press, Cambridge. 1930, pp. 1-639. Price \$10.