

the bird in Pennsylvania published in 'Cassinia' are omitted, one of which shows the birds present in the breeding season in Fulton Co., not far from the Maryland line, as early as 1905.—W. S.

Bowen's Catalogue of Sudan Birds.—In 1926 while still Deputy Curator of the Sudan Government Museum, Mr. W. Wedgwood Bowen published the first part of a 'Catalogue of Sudan Birds' carrying the subject as far as the Passeres. More recently the birds of this group have been listed and the second part appeared in August, 1931, the author having meanwhile removed to America and become Assistant Curator of Birds at the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia.

The "Catalogue"¹ is more than the title would imply as there are keys for determination of the families and for the species under each family; also a very brief statement of character of occurrence, habitat and relative abundance of each species and subspecies, and data for all specimens in the Sudan Government Museum. Seven hundred species are listed and a number of subspecies, while in part II there is an appendix supplying additional information, changes in names and twelve additional species with several subspecies. A second appendix consists of a list of type localities, in Sudan, from which birds have been described and a list of the species with references. There is an excellent faunal map published in each part. Mr. Bowen has furnished a very handy list not only for those interested in studying Sudan birds in the field but for ornithologists in general who have to deal with birds from this part of Africa.—W. S.

La Touche's 'Birds of East China.'—Part II of Vol. 2 of this valuable work² has appeared covering the Goatsuckers, Owls, Ospreys, Vultures and part of the Falconidae.

The method of treatment follows that of the preceding parts and in the discussion of habits etc., there is much about the nesting of the eagles and also their capture for purposes of falconry and for their feathers, while several halftones from photographs show the method of netting them as well as falconers carrying eagles at the railroad stations. We congratulate Mr. La Touche on the progress of his work which we can assure him from personal experience is of the greatest aid to those working up Chinese collections.—W. S.

Chisholm's 'Nature Fantasy in Australia.'—Many of our readers are doubtless familiar with the writings of Alec Chisholm who has probably

¹ Catalogue of | Sudan Birds | Based on the Collection in the | Sudan Government Museum | (Natural History) | By | W. Wedgwood Bowen, B.A. (Cantab.). [etc.] | Part I—Struthionidae to Picidae | Sudan Government Museum Publ. No. 1, May 1926, pp. 1-120.

Part II. Alaudidae to Fringillidae. Sudan Govt. Mus. Publ. No. 2, August 1931, pp. 1-163. Price P. T. 20 (= 4 shillings) per part.

² A Handbook | of the | Birds of China | [etc.] By | J. D. D. La Touche. Vol. II, Part II, Taylor and Francis, Red Lion Court, Fleet Street, London, E. C. 4. Pp. 97-192, January 1932. Price 7s. 6d. net per part.