

of the habits and distribution of the twenty-six North American species beautifully depicted by Major Brooks. This series will form a work which all interested in American ornithology cannot afford to be without. Besides Major Brooks' paintings, which are attractively grouped on tinted backgrounds, there are a number of interesting photographs of young swifts and humming-birds.—W. S.

Legendre's Monograph of the European Titmice.—This publication¹ forms Vol. VI, of the 'Encyclopedie Ornithologique' being published by Paul Lechevalier and Sons. It considers in much detail the various species of titmice found in Europe with the numerous geographical races that have been recognized by recent authorities. There are descriptions, distributions, accounts of habits, nests and eggs etc., together with keys for determination, maps, photographs of several of the species, and a colored plate of four of the species of *Parus*. The limits of the family Paridae are somewhat extended by including the Kinglets. The five genera recognized as belonging to the group are *Parus*, *Aegithalos*, *Anthoscopus*, *Regulus*, *Panurus* and eighty-three forms are recognized while eight supposed hybrids are described.

The paper is well prepared and forms a valuable contribution to our knowledge of a group of birds to which the author has given much attention.—W. S.

The Indiana Audubon Year Book.—This valuable publication contains a vast amount of notes on Indiana birds besides much information of wider interest. Prominent in the latter category may be mentioned a biographical sketch, by Dr. B. W. Evermann, of the veteran Indiana ornithologist, Amos W. Butler, with portrait and bibliography; an extensive paper on Bird Parasites both internal and external by George Zebrowski; Birds of Prey of Mercer Co., Ohio, by Paul Forsthoefel; a short paper on Bird Life of Nova Scotia by Mrs. Henry Watterman; and Racing Homing Pigeons by Harry M. Gould. Much information on Robins has been compiled by Dr. Earl Brooks and Arthur M. Grass, the latter estimating on several careful counts that the total number of Robins' nests in the state each year is over eight million!

We congratulate the Audubon Society upon another excellent publication.—W. S.

A British Bird Census.—Our colleague W. B. Alexander has published² the results of both winter and summer counts of the bird inhabitants of a 125-acre farm near Oxford, England. The results are of comparative value with those obtained in the Eastern United States, with which they

¹ Monographie des Mesanges d'Europe par Marcel Legendre. Encyclopedie Ornithologique. Paul Lechevalier & Fils Editeurs 12, Rue de Tournon, Paris—Vie. 1932. Pp. 1-121, 15 figs., 5 planches.

² The Bird Population of an Oxfordshire Farm, Journ. Animal Ecol. 1, No. 1, May 1932, pp. 58-64.