Information Wanted

From all who are acquainted with the following three birds: Dickcissel (Spiza Americana) and Grasshopper and Henslow's Sparrows (Ammodramus savannarum passerinus) and A. henslowi).

It is well known that Dickcissel is constantly changing his range, and that the two sparrows are rather local in their distribution, often changing their summer abodes from year to year. It has been noticed in some localities that these three birds are much more numerous this season than ever before, while other species seem to be in normal numbers. Have you noticed anything unusual about them, and if so can you account for it in any way? Word on this subject is especially desired from those studying in New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Kentucky, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois and Wisconsin. This work applies to all, whether you know any of the birds or not. If you do not, drop a card saying so, that we may determine as nearly as possible the range of these birds for 1894.

Send all notes to Lynds Jones, Oberlin, O.

Notes.

A ROBIN'S NEST.—I have a robin's nest that differs in construction from those mentioned by the Oological Committee in their report, and from Oliver Davie's. This nest is com-

posed first of oak leaves and wool, then grass and clover stems, next with a layer of manure instead of mud, as is generally the case, and lastly the regulation lining of small roots. This nest was taken July 8th. There was no scarcity of mud when the nest was built.

A Hungry Jay.—On July 5th I found a Blue Jay eating a young Bluebird nearly full grown. It had eaten the head, neck and viscera. On first discovering the Blue Jay I scared it away and threw what remained of the victim under some bushes. In a short time I returned that way and found the Jay eating the Bluebird. He was so greedy that he had hunted up the bird to finish his meal. It is needless to say that I shot him.

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A Few Words.

Do not complain because there is not more information under "Notes." You are to blame for the lack of those information giving items. The officers cannot do all. We can only publish what you send us. Please remember this and try and give us something for our next Bulletin.

A society cannot accomplish much unless each and every member takes an active working interest. There is work and plenty of it,