

An unusual number of cripples were found this year among the waders, a large percentage of which had broken legs more or less healed. None, however, had splints or bandages other than could be accounted for by the usual cementing powers of blood.

At Pearl Beach, St. Clair county, a Coot met an untimely death by flying into a barbed wire fence and getting the strong tendons of the wing twisted about a barb. The bird had evidently hung and struggled severely until death put an end to its misery.

Detroit, Mich.

A Fourth Record of the Barn Owl for Seneca Co.

In the January number of the Auk, 1903, Volume XX, page 67, I recorded three specimens of this species for Seneca County. To these I am now able to add a fourth, a female shot two miles north of Tiffin, which I mounted for a farmer. The time of the year, August 12, 1905, makes it appear probable that this species may occasionally breed here.

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NOTICES OF RECENT LITERATURE.

Birds from Mount Kilimanjaro. By Harry C. Oberholser. From the Proceedings of the U. S. National Museum, Vol. XXVIII, pages 823-936. No. 1411. 1905.

This paper is the result of a study of the collection of Dr. W. L. Abbott consisting of 684 specimens which represent 256 species and subspecies belonging to 59 families. Several new genera, species and subspecies are here described, and each species is accompanied with copious notes.

L. J.

I. Birds from the Islands of Romblon, Sibuyan, and Cresta de Gallo.

II. Further Notes on Birds from Ticao, Cuyo, Culion, Calayan, Lubang, and Luzon.

By Richard McGregor. (Bureau of Government Laboratories).

These two papers (bound together) bring the excellent work of Mr. McGregor among our far eastern islands down to date. Four new species are described. Eleven good half-tone plates add to the value of the papers.

L. J.

Birds known to Eat the Boll Weevil. By Vernon Bailey.

This is a report of the Biological Survey, in which it is shown that eleven species of birds are known to eat this destructive insect. It is significantly remarked by the author that the nongame birds, which are protected by the law, are ruthlessly slaughtered, in Texas. Let the campaign of education concerning the birds go steadily on.

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