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EDITORIAL

The editor's address for the summer—until the middle of August—will be Sandusky, Ohio, care Dr. C. B. Bliss. Mail addressed to Oberlin will reach him, but will be delayed somewhat in reforwarding.

The short time between the two issues of the Bulletin and the examination season have conspired to prevent reviews of literature for this number of the Bulletin. They will be resumed in the September number.

Interest in studies of the nesting behavior of birds has increased many-fold in the last five years. While July may seem to be rather late for most birds to nest, experience has proven that nests of many of our common birds may be found even into August. Studies of nesting behavior are exceedingly valuable and ought to be taken up more generally over the country before we may hope to get far in our understanding of the inner life of the birds. The intimate study of the Red-winged Blackbird at Ithaca by Mr. A. A. Allen well illustrates what valuable results may be achieved by faithful and long continued studies of this sort, and the papers by Miss Sherman, Mr. Gabrielson and others well illustrate that valuable facts may be discovered by even a one-nest study. Let everybody try at least one nest.