

*A. mcleodi*, *Peucaea notosticta*, *Melospiza fasciata mexicana*, *Geothlypis trichas melanops* and *Basileuterus rufifrons*.

The names of the North American species are unaccompanied by the authorities, but the latter are given in the case of ten species extra-limital to the A. O. U. Check-List, always, however, in parentheses, which are required in only five of them. This typographical blemish does not, however, detract from the value of the paper, except in so far as it wrongly represents the nomenclature of the species affected.

There are two or three identifications, in addition to that of the supposed *Myiarchus inquietus*, we believe will bear reconsideration, as for example, *Melospiza fasciata mexicana* and *Geothlypis trichas melanops*, which certainly seem out of place in the list.—R. R.

**Chapman's Notes on Birds observed near Trinidad, Cuba.**<sup>1</sup>—This carefully prepared and highly interesting paper is worthy of more extended review than can be given it at present. The introductory portion consists of a pleasing description of the localities visited. Then follow 'Notes on Cuban Birds' arranged under the separate headings of 'General Impressions of Cuban Bird-life,' 'The Migration,' 'Birds observed while sailing from Batabanó to Trinidad,' 'The Cuban Avifauna,' and 'Species Described as New or Added to the Cuban Fauna.' The 'Annotated List of Birds Observed' includes 99 species, of which *Rallus longirostris cubanus* is described as new on page 288.

In connection with certain Cuban species the representative forms of other islands are discussed, and in some cases separated, for example the Jamaican representative of *Pitangus caudifasciatus*, which is named *P. jamaicensis* (p. 303) and the Bahaman representative of *Dendroica petechia gundlachi*, which is named *D. p. flaviceps* (p. 310). A new genus, *Ptiloxena*, is instituted for the so-called "*Scolecophagus*" *atroviolaceus*, a procedure both justifiable and timely.

The critical remarks and biographical notes embodied in this paper are of excellent quality, and the paper as a whole one of first-class merit.—R. R.

**Minor Ornithological Publications.**—'Forest and Stream.' This journal was last noticed in Vol. IX, pp. 384-387. In Vols. XXXIX and XL (July, 1892-June, 1893) are the following (Nos. 2611-2697).

2611. *Bonasa umbellus*, *Rex*. By Dr. Robert T. Morris. 'Forest and Stream,' Vol. XXXIX, No. 1, July 7, pp. 6-7.—A biographical sketch.

2612. *Rare Birds' Nests*. By H. Austen. *Ibid.*, No. 2, July 14, 1892, p. 28.—*Regulus calendula*.

2613. *A Bit of Grouse Hunter's Love*. By Dr. Robert T. Morris. *Ibid.*, No 3, July 21, 1892, p. 49.—*Bonasa umbellus*.

<sup>1</sup> Notes on Birds and Mammals observed near Trinidad, Cuba, with remarks on the Origin of West Indian Bird-Life. By Frank M. Chapman. Bull. Am. Mus. Nat. Hist., Vol. IV, Art. XVI, Dec. 29, 1892, pp. 279-330.