

Haunts," "How Cage Birds are Caught: A Day on Brighton Downs," "The Art of Duck-Decoying," "People We have Met," and "Our Methods of Photography." There is no padding, nor one poor or uninteresting picture, and while the birds mentioned are for the most part strangers to American readers, we commend the book and its author's and illustrator's methods as stimulating evidences of the results which may be obtained in a previously well-worked field by diligent, careful observation and persistent, patient effort. — F. M. C.

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THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL CONGRESS of the American Ornithologists' Union will be held in Washington, D. C., beginning on the evening of November 14, 1898. This evening session will be devoted to the election of officers and members and the transaction of the usual routine business. Tuesday and the following days will be given to public sessions for the reading and discussion of scientific papers. Members intending to present papers are requested to forward the titles of their papers to the Secretary, Mr. John H. Sage, Portland, Conn., prior to November 6, in order to facilitate the preparation of the program of papers to be read before the Congress.

OSBERT SALVIN, an Honorary Member, of the A. O. U., who died at his home, Hawksfold, near Haslemere, England, June 1, 1898, was born at Finchley in 1835. A sketch of Mr. Salvin, published in 'The Zoölogist' for July, 1898, states that he was "the only surviving son of Mr