

TWELFTH SUPPLEMENT TO THE AMERICAN
ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION CHECK-LIST OF
NORTH AMERICAN BIRDS.¹

Two sessions of the Committee have been held in Washington since the appearance of the last Supplement. At the first meeting (November 21, 1902) questions of generic and subgeneric rank only were considered, and much progress was made toward eliminating these from the category of deferred cases. In April (16 to 18) of the present year a longer meeting was held, at which many additional cases were discussed, but action on certain generic names (*e. g.*, *Horizopus*) was again postponed, owing to lack of time for their proper consideration.

The list of deferred cases is still formidable, but it is hoped that at the next meeting of the Committee the number of such cases will be very materially reduced.

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I. ADDITIONS TO THE CHECK-LIST AND ACCEPTED
CHANGES IN NOMENCLATURE.

86a. ***Fulmarus glacialis minor* (KJAERBØLLING).** This is eliminated from the Check-List as indistinguishable from *F. glacialis*, the alleged characters being the result of sexual or

¹ Four Supplements have been issued since the publication of the Second Edition of the Check-List in 1895:

Eighth Supplement, Auk, XIV, 1897, pp. 117-135.

Ninth Supplement, Auk, XVI, 1899, pp. 97-133.

Tenth Supplement, Auk, XVIII, 1901, pp. 295-320.

Eleventh Supplement, Auk, XIX, 1902, pp. 315-342.

individual variation. (*Cf.* CHAPMAN, Bull. Amer. Mus. N. H., XII, 1899, 229.)

96.1. ***Puffinus cuneatus*** SALVIN.

Wedge-tailed Shearwater.

Puffinus cuneatus SALVIN, Ibis, 1888, 353.

[B —, C —, R —, C —.]

GEOG. DIST.—North Pacific Ocean, from the Hawaiian Islands north to the Bonin Group and Lower California. (*Cf.* BREWSTER, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zoöl., XLI, 1902, 30.)

96.2. ***Puffinus bulleri*** SALVIN.

New Zealand Shearwater.

Puffinus bulleri SALVIN, Ibis, 1888, 354.

[B —, C —, R —, C —.]

GEOG. DIST.—New Zealand, north casually to California. (*Cf.* LOOMIS, Proc. Cal. Acad. Sci., ser. 3 (Zoöl.), II, 1900, 319.)

193. ***Ardea wardi*** RIDGW. This becomes a subspecies of *Ardea herodias*, to stand as

194b. ***Ardea herodias wardi*** (RIDGWAY).

Ward's Heron.

Ardea wardi RIDGWAY, Bull. Nutt. Orn. Club, VII, Jan. 1882, 5.

Ardea herodias wardi CHAPMAN, Bull. Am. Mus. N. H., XIV, 1901, 89.

[B —, C —, R —, C —.]

GEOG. DIST.—Florida, possibly extending along the Gulf Coast to Texas. (*Cf.* CHAPMAN, Bull. Amer. Mus. N. H., XIV, 1901, 88.)

The various subgenera of Ardeidæ in the Check-List are raised to generic rank, as follows:

GENUS **HERODIAS** BOIE.

Herodias BOIE, Isis, 1822, 559. Type, by elimination, *Ardea egretta* GMELIN.

The only North American species will stand as

196. **Herodias egretta** (GMELIN).

Ardea egretta GMELIN, S. N., I, ii, 1788, 629.

Herodias egretta CABANIS, Journ. f. Orn., 1856, 341.

GENUS **EGRETTA** FORSTER.

Egretta FORSTER, Synop. Cat. Brit. Birds, 1817, 59. Type,
Ardea garzetta LINNÆUS.

Egretta is equivalent to *Garzetta* of the Check-List, over which name it has priority, *Garzetta* KAUP dating from 1829, and *Egretta* FORSTER from 1817.

197. **Egretta candidissima** (GMELIN).

Ardea candidissima GMELIN, S. N., I, ii, 1788, 633.

Egretta candidissima GOSSE, Birds Jamaica, 1847, 336.

GENUS **DICHROMANASSA** RIDGWAY.

Dichromanna RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Geol. & Geogr. Surv. Terr., IV, 1878, 246. Type, *Ardea rufa* BODDAERT.

198. **Dichromanna rufescens** (GMELIN).

Ardea rufescens GMELIN, S. N., I, ii, 1788, 628.

Dichromanna rufescens A. O. U. Committee.

GENUS **HYDRANASSA** BAIRD.

Hydranassa BAIRD, Pacific R. R. Reports, IX, 1858, 660.
 Type, *Ardea ludoviciana* WILSON (= *Egretta ruficollis* GOSSE).

199. **Hydranassa tricolor ruficollis** (GOSSE).

Egretta ruficollis GOSSE, Birds Jamaica, 1847, 338.
Hydranassa tricolor ruficollis A. O. U. COMMITTEE.

GENUS **FLORIDA** BAIRD.

Florida BAIRD, Pacific R. R. Reports, IX, 1858, 671. Type,
Ardea cærulea LINNÆUS.

200. **Florida cærulea** (LINNÆUS).

Ardea cærulea LINNÆUS, S. N. ed. 10, I, 1758, 143.

Florida cærulea BAIRD, Pacific R. R. Reports, IX, 1858, 671.

GENUS **BUTORIDES** BLYTH.

Butorides BLYTH, Cat. Birds Mus. Asiat. Soc., 1849 (1852),
 281. Type, *Ardea javanica* HORSFIELD.

201. **Butorides virescens** (LINNÆUS).

Ardea virescens LINNÆUS, S. N. ed. 10, I, 1758, 144.

Butorides virescens BONAPARTE, Conspl. Av., II, 1855, 128.

- 201a. **Butorides virescens frazari** (BREWSTER).

Ardea virescens frazari BREWSTER, Auk, V, Jan. 1888, 83.

Butorides virescens frazari A. O. U. COMMITTEE.

- 201b. **Butorides virescens anthonyi** (MEARNs).

Ardea virescens anthonyi MEARNs, Auk, XII, July, 1895, 257.

Butorides virescens anthonyi A. O. U. COMMITTEE.

GENUS **NYCTANASSA** STEJNEGER.

Nyctanassa STEJNEGER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., X, 1887, 295.

Type, *Ardea violacea* LINNÆUS.

203. **Nyctanassa violacea** (LINNÆUS).

Ardea violacea LINNÆUS, S. N. ed. 10, I, 1758, 143.

Nyctanassa violacea SHARPE, Bull. Brit. Orn. Club, V, 1895, XI.

The following groups of Limicolæ are given full generic rank (*cf.* COUES, Osprey, III, 1899, 144) :

GENUS **ARQUATELLA** BAIRD.

Arquatella BAIRD, Pacific R. R. Reports, IX, 1858, 717. Type, *Tringa maritima* BRÜNNICH.

235. **Arquatella maritima** (BRÜNNICH).

Tringa maritima BRÜNNICH, Orn. Borealis, 1764, 54.

Arquatella maritima COUES, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Phila., 1861, 183.

236. **Arquatella couesi** RIDGWAY.

Arquatella couesi RIDGWAY, Bull. Nutt. Orn. Club, V, July, 1880, 160.

237. **Arquatella ptilocnemis** (COUES).

Tringa ptilocnemis COUES, Elliott's Rept. Seal Isl. Alaska, 1873 (not paged).

Arquatella ptilocnemis RIDGWAY, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., III, 1880, 199.

GENUS **ACTODROMAS** KAUP.

Actodromas KAUP, Skizz. Entw.-Gesch. Eur. Thierw., 1829, 55. Type, *Tringa minuta* LEISLER.

238. **Actodromas acuminata** (HORSFIELD).

Totanus acuminatus HORSFIELD, Trans. Linn. Soc. Lond., XIII, 1821, 192.

Actodromas acuminatus RIDGWAY, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., III, 1880, 199.

239. **Actodromas maculata** (VIEILLOT).

Tringa maculata VIEILLOT, Nouv. Dict. d'Hist. Nat., XXXIV, 1819, 465.

Actodromas maculata COUES, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Phila., 1861, 197.

240. **Actodromas fuscicollis** (VIEILLOT).

Tringa fuscicollis VIEILLOT, Nouv. Dict. d'Hist. Nat., XXXIV, 1819, 461.

Actodromas fuscicollis BONAPARTE, Comptes Rendus, XLIII, 1856, 596.

241. **Actodromas bairdii** COUES.

Actodromas bairdii COUES, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Phila., 1861, 194.

242. **Actodromas minutilla** (VIEILLOT).

Tringa minutilla VIEILLOT, Nouv. Dict. d'Hist. Nat., XXXIV, 1819, 466.

Actodromas minutilla COUES, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Phila., 1861, 191.

[242.1.] **Actodromas damacensis** (HORSFIELD).

Totanus damacensis HORSFIELD, Trans. Linn. Soc. Lond., XIII, 1821, 192.

Actodromas damacensis STEJNEGER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., VI, 1883, 71.

GENUS **PELIDNA** CUVIER.

Pelidna CUVIER, Règne Animal, I, 1817, 490. Type, *Tringa alpina* LINNÆUS.

[243.] **Pelidna alpina** (LINNÆUS).

Tringa alpina LINNÆUS, S. N. ed. 10, I, 1758, 149.

Pelidna alpina C. L. BREHM, Vög. Deutschl., 1831, 661.

243a. **Pelidna alpina pacifica** (COUES).

Pelidna pacifica COUES, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Phila., 1861, 189.

Pelidna alpina pacifica STEJNEGER, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., VIII, 1885, 120.

GENUS **EROLIA** VIEILLOT.

Erolia VIEILLOT, Analyse, 1816, 55. Type, *Erolia variegata* VIEILLOT (= *Tringa ferruginea* BRÜNNICH).

244. **Erolia ferruginea** (BRÜNNICH).

Tringa ferruginea BRÜNNICH, Orn. Bor., 1764, 53.

Erolia ferruginea A. O. U. COMMITTEE.

Erolia replaces *Ancyllocheilus* (KAUP, 1829) of the Check-List. It refers unquestionably to the Curlew Sandpiper, although described and figured by Vieillot as a three-toed species.

GENUS **OXYECHUS** REICHENBACH.

Oxyechus REICHENBACH, Syst. Av., 1852, xviii. Type *Charadrius vociferus* LINNÆUS.

273. **Oxyechus vociferus** (LINNÆUS).

Charadrius vociferus LINNÆUS, S. N. ed. 10, I, 1758, 150.

Oxyechus vociferus REICHENBACH, Syst. Av., 1852, xviii.

GENUS **OCHTHODROMUS** REICHENBACH.

Ochthodromus REICHENBACH, Syst. Av., 1852, xviii. Type,
Charadrius wilsonia ORD.

280. **Ochthodromus wilsonius** (ORD).

Charadrius wilsonia ORD, in WILSON'S Am. Orn., IX, 1814,
77, pl. 73, fig. 5.

Ochthodromus wilsonius REICHENBACH, Syst. Av., 1852,
xviii.

GENUS **PODASOCYS** COUES.

Podasocys COUES, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Phila., 1866, 96.
Type, *Charadrius montanus* TOWNSEND.

281. **Podasocys montanus** (TOWNSEND).

Charadrius montanus TOWNSEND, Journ. Acad. Nat. Sci.
Phila., VII, 1837, 192.

Podasocys montanus COUES, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Phila.,
1866, 96.

296. **Cyrtonyx montezumæ** (VIGORS). This becomes

296. **Cyrtonyx montezumæ mearnsi** NELSON.

Mearns's Partridge.

Cyrtonyx montezumæ mearnsi NELSON, AUK, XVII, July,
1900, 255.

[B 477, part, C 394, part, R 485, part, C 578, part.]

GEOG. DIST.—Western Texas, New Mexico, and Arizona, south
into Mexico. (*Cf.* NELSON, Auk, 1900, 225.)

- 310a. **Meleagris gallopavo fera** (VIEILLOT). In the first
edition of the 'Nouveau Dictionnaire' (Vol. IX) Vieillot used
the name *Meleagris silvestris*, which was later changed to
M. fera (*cf.* SHERBORN, Auk, 1902, 419-420). The latter

name was inadvertently adopted by the Committee in the Ninth Supplement, but should now be replaced by

310a. **Meleagris gallopavo silvestris** (VIEILLOT).

Meleagris silvestris VIEILLOT, Nouv. Dict. d'Hist. Nat., IX, 1817, 447.

Meleagris gallopavo sylvestris ALLEN, Auk, XIX, 1902, 420.

[322.] **Geotrygon chrysia** (BONAPARTE). The authority and reference should be corrected to

[322.] **Geotrygon chrysia** SALVADORI.

Geotrygon chrysia SALVADORI, Cat. Birds Brit. Mus., XXI, 1893, 571 (*cf.* RILEY, Auk, 1902, 397).

387c. **Buteo borealis lucasanus** RIDGWAY. This is found to be indistinguishable from *Buteo borealis calurus*, and is to be eliminated. (*Cf.* BREWSTER, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zool., XLI, 1902, 83.)

SUBGENUS **TINNUNCULUS** VIEILLOT.

Tinnunculus VIEILLOT, Ois. Am. Sept., I, 1807, 39. Type, by elimination, *Falco columbarius* LINNÆUS.

This should replace the subgenus *Æsalon* of the Check-List, and the subgenus *Tinnunculus*, for the Sparrow Hawks, will become

SUBGENUS **CERCHNEIS** BOIE.

Cerchneis BOIE, Isis, 1826, 970. Type, *Falco rupicolus* DAUDIN. (*Cf.* HOWE, Contr. N. Amer. Orn., I, 1902, 28.)

360a. **Falco sparverius deserticola** MEARNS.

An earlier name for this subspecies is found in

360a. **Falco sparverius phalœna** (LESSON).

Tinnunculus phalœna LESSON, Compl. Cœuv. Buffon, XX, 1847, 178.

Falco sparverius phalena NELSON, Auk, XIX, Oct. 1902, 398.
(*Cf.* NELSON, Auk, 1902, 398.)

368. **Syrnium nebulosum** (FORSTER). This name, which has been in constant use for the Barred Owl, is found to apply exclusively to the Great Gray Owl (*cf.* PREBLE, N. Am. Fauna, No. 22, 1902, 109). The earliest available name for the Barred Owl appears to be

368. **Syrnium varium** (BARTON).

Strix varius BARTON, Fragm. N. H. Penn., 1799, 11.

Syrnium varium PREBLE, N. Am. Fauna, No. 22, 1902, 109.

368a. **Syrnium varium allenii** (RIDGWAY).

Strix nebulosa allenii RIDGWAY, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., III, 1880, 8.

Syrnium varium allenii PREBLE, N. Am. Fauna, No. 22, 1902, 109.

368b. **Syrnium varium helveolum** (BANGS).

Syrnium nebulosum helveolum BANGS, Proc. N. E. Zoöl. Club, I, 1899, 31.

Syrnium varium helveolum PREBLE, N. Am. Fauna, No. 22, 1902, 109.

370. **Scotiaptex cinerea** (GMELIN). This becomes

370. **Scotiaptex nebulosa** (FORSTER).

Strix nebulosa FORSTER, Philos. Trans., LXII, 1772, 424.

Scotiaptex nebulosum PREBLE, N. Am. Fauna, No. 22, 1902, 109.

[370a.] **Scotiaptex nebulosa lapponica** (THUNBERG).

Strix lapponica THUNBERG, K. Vet. Akad. nya Handl., XIX, 1798, 184.

Scotiaptex nebulosa lapponica A. O. U. COMMITTEE.

373.2. **Megascops xantusi** BREWSTER.**Xantus's Screech Owl.***Megascops xantusi* BREWSTER, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zoöl., XLI, 1902, 93.

[B —, C —, R 403, part, C 470, part.]

GEOG. DIST.—Cape Region of Lower California.

375e. **Bubo virginianus elachistus** BREWSTER.**Dwarf Horned Owl.***Bubo virginianus elachistus* BREWSTER, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zoöl., XLI, 1902, 96.

[B —, C —, R —, C —.]

GEOG. DIST.—Lower California.

394e. **Dryobates pubescens turati** (MALHERBE).**Willow Woodpecker.***Picus turati* MALHERBE, Monogr. Picidées, I, 1861, 125, pl. 28.*Dryobates pubescens turati* W. K. FISHER, Condor, IV, 1902, 68.

[B 77, part, C 299a, part, R 361a, part, C 441, part.]

GEOG. DIST.—“California, *except*: desert ranges and eastern slope of Sierra Nevada, coast region north of Marion Co., and region north of upper end of Sacramento Valley.” (*Cf.* FISHER, Condor, IV, 1902, 70.)SUBGENUS **ASYNDESMUS** COUES. This becomesGENUS **ASYNDESMUS** COUES.*Asyndesmus* COUES, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Phila., 1866, 55. Type, *Picus torquatus* WILSON.408. **Asyndesmus torquatus** (WILSON).

Picus torquatus WILSON, Amer. Orn., III, 1811, 31, pl. xx,
fig. 3.

Asyndesmus torquatus COUES, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Phila.,
1866, 56.

SUBGENUS **CENTURUS** SWAINSON. This becomes

GENUS **CENTURUS** SWAINSON.

Centurus SWAINSON, Classif. Birds, II, 1837, 310. Type,
Picus carolinus LINNÆUS.

409. **Centurus carolinus** (LINNÆUS).

Picus carolinus LINNÆUS, S. N. ed. 10, I, 1758, 113.

Centurus carolinus BONAPARTE, Geog. & Comp. List, 1838, 40.

410. **Centurus aurifrons** (WAGLER).

Picus aurifrons WAGLER, Isis, 1829, 512.

Centurus aurifrons LICHTENSTEIN, Nomencl. Av., 1854, 76.

411. **Centurus uropygialis** BAIRD.

Centurus uropygialis BAIRD, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Phila.,
1854, 120.

454b. **Myiarchus cinerascens pertinax** (BAIRD).

Lower California Flycatcher.

Myiarchus pertinax BAIRD, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Phila.,
1859, 303.

Myiarchus cinerascens pertinax BREWSTER, Bull. Mus. Comp.
Zoöl., XLI, 1902, 117.

[B 131, part, C 248, part, R 313, part, C 375, part.]

GEOG DIST.—Southern Lower California.

SUBGENUS **NUTTALLORNIS** RIDGWAY. This becomes

GENUS **NUTTALLORNIS** RIDGWAY.

Nuttallornis RIDGWAY, Man. N. Am. Birds, 1887, 337. Type, *Tyrannus borealis* SWAINSON. (*Cf.* COUES, Osprey, III, 1899, 144.)

459. **Nuttallornis borealis** (SWAINSON).

Tyrannus borealis SWAINSON, Fauna Bor.-Amer., II, 1831, 141, pl. 35.

Nuttallornis borealis OBERHOLSER, Auk, XVI, Oct. 1899, 331.

474a. **Otocoris alpestris leucolæma** (COUES), of the Check-List, becomes474a. **Otocoris alpestris arcticola** OBERHOLSER.

Pallid Horned Lark.

Otocoris alpestris arcticola OBERHOLSER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., XXIV, 1902, 816.

[B —, C —, R —, C —.]

GEOG. DIST.—“In summer, Alaska (chiefly the interior), with the valley of the Upper Yukon River; in winter, south to Oregon, Utah, and Montana.” (*Cf.* OBERHOLSER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., XXIV, 1902, 816.)

474c. **Otocoris alpestris arenicola** HENSHAW. This becomes474c. **Otocoris alpestris leucolæma** (COUES).

Desert Horned Lark.

Eremophila alpestris b. *leucolæma* COUES, Birds N. W., 1874, 38.

Otocoris alpestris leucolæma STEJNEGER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., V, 1882, 34.

[B —, C 53b, R 300a, C 83.]

GEOG. DIST.—Western United States, from central Dakota,

western Kansas and western Nebraska to Idaho and Nevada, north to Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Assiniboa, south in winter to Colorado, Texas, southeastern California, and northwestern Mexico.

474e. **Otocoris alpestris chrysolæma** (WAGLER). This becomes

474e. **Otocoris alpestris actia** OBERHOLSER.

California Horned Lark.

Otocoris alpestris actia OBERHOLSER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., XXIV, 1902, 845.

[B —, C 53a, part, R 300b, part, C 84, part.]

GEOG. DIST.—“Coast region of northern Lower California and of southern California north to San Francisco Bay, including the San Joaquin Valley.” (*Cf.* OBERHOLSER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., XXIV, 1902, 845). True *chrysolæma* WAGLER is confined to Mexico.

474k. **Otocoris alpestris hoyti** BISHOP.

Hoyt's Horned Lark.

Otocoris alpestris hoyti BISHOP, Auk, XIII, 1896, 130.

[B —, C —, R —, C —.]

GEOG. DIST.—“In summer British America from the west shore of Hudson Bay to the valley of the Mackenzie River, north to the Arctic coast, south to Lake Athabasca; in winter southward to Nevada, Utah, Kansas and Michigan, casually to Ohio and New York (Long Island).” (*Cf.* OBERHOLSER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., XXIV, 1902, 812.)

474l. **Otocoris alpestris occidentalis** (MC CALL).

Montezuma Horned Lark.

Otocoris ? occidentalis MC CALL, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Phila., 1851, 218.

Otocoris alpestris occidentalis STONE, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Phila., 1899, 21.

[B —, C —, R —, C —.]

GEOG. DIST.—“In summer, central New Mexico, west to central Arizona; in winter, south to northern Sonora and Chihuahua, Mexico, and southeast to Texas.” (*Cf.* OBERHOLSER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., XXIV, 1902, 856.)

474m. ***Otocoris alpestris insularis*** TOWNSEND.

Island Horned Lark.

Otocoris alpestris insularis TOWNSEND, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., XIII, 1890, 140.

[B —, C —, R —, C —.]

GEOG. DIST.—Santa Barbara Islands, California.

475. ***Pica pica hudsonica*** (SABINE). This should be corrected to

475. ***Pica pica hudsonia*** (SABINE), the latter being the original spelling of the specific name.

482a. ***Aphelocoma sieberii couchii*** (BAIRD).

Couch's Jay.

Cyanocitta couchii BAIRD, Pacific R. R. Reports, IX, 1858, 588.

Aphelocoma sieberii couchi OBERHOLSER, Auk, XIX, 1902, 300.

[B —, C —, R —, C —.]

GEOG. DIST.—Northeastern Mexico to southwestern Texas (Chisos Mountains). (*Cf.* OBERHOLSER, Auk, XIX, 1902, 300.)

501c. ***Sturnella magna argutula*** BANGS.

Southern Meadowlark.

Sturnella magna argutula BANGS, Proc. N. E. Zoöl. Club, I, 1899, 20.

[B 406, part, C 214, part, R 263, part, C 320, part.]

GEOG. DIST.—Florida and the Gulf coast to Louisiana, north through lower Mississippi Valley to southeastern Illinois, and southwestern Indiana.

SUBGENUS **MEGAQUISCALUS** CASSIN. This becomes

GENUS **MEGAQUISCALUS** CASSIN.

Megaquiscalus CASSIN, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Phila., 1866, 409. Type, *Quiscalus major* VIEILLOT. (*Cf.* RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. II, 1902, 235.)

513. **Megaquiscalus major** (VIEILLOT).

Quiscalus major VIEILLOT, Nouv. Dict. d'Hist. Nat., XXVIII, 1819, 487.

Megaquiscalus major RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. II, 1902, 235.

513a. **Megaquiscalus major macrourus** (SWAINSON).

Quiscalus macrourus SWAINSON, Anim. in Menag., 1838, 299.

Megaquiscalus major macrourus RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. II, 1902, 235.

No. 512 of the Check-List thus becomes No. 513a, the serial number 512 being eliminated.

GENUS **COCCOTHRAUSTES** BRISSON. This is eliminated from the Check-List.

SUBGENUS **HESPERIPHONA**. This becomes

GENUS **HESPERIPHONA** BONAPARTE.

Hesperiphona BONAPARTE, Conspl. Avium, I, 1850, 505. Type, *Fringilla vespertina* W. COOPER. (*Cf.* RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 57.)

514. **Hesperiphona vespertina** (W. COOPER).

Fringilla vespertina W. COOPER, Ann. Lyc. N. H. N. Y., I, ii, 1825, 220.

Hesperiphona vespertina BONAPARTE, Conspectus Avium, I, 1850, 505.

514a. **Hesperiphona vespertina montana** RIDGWAY.

Hesperiphona vespertina var. *montana* RIDGWAY, in Hist. N. Am. Birds, I, 1874, 449.

530a. **Astragalinus psaltria arizonæ** (COUES). This is eliminated from the Check-List (as equivalent to No. 530), the characters ascribed to it being due mainly to age or season. (*Cf.* GRINNELL, Condor, 1902, 115, 116; BREWSTER, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zoöl., XLI, 1902, 136.)

SUBGENUS **PASSERCULUS** BONAPARTE. This becomes

GENUS **PASSERCULUS** BONAPARTE.

Passerculus BONAPARTE, Geog. & Comp. List, 1838, 33. Type, *Fringilla savanna* WILSON. (*Cf.* RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 187.)

541. **Passerculus princeps** MAYNARD.

Passerculus princeps MAYNARD, Am. Nat. VI, 1872, 637.

542. **Passerculus sandwichensis** (GMELIN).

Emberiza sandwichensis GMELIN, S. N., I, ii, 1788, 875.

Passerculus sandwichensis BAIRD, Pacific R. R. Reports, IX, 1858, 444.

542a. **Passerculus sandwichensis savanna** (WILSON).

Fringilla savanna WILSON, Am. Orn., III, 1811, 55, pl. 22, fig. 2.

Passerculus sandwichensis savanna RIDGWAY, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., III, 1880, 178.

542b. **Passerculus sandwichensis alaudinus** (BONAPARTE).

Passerculus alaudinus BONAPARTE, Comptes Rendus, XXXVII, 1853, 918.

Passerculus sandwichensis γ. alaudinus RIDGWAY, Field and Forest, III, 1877, 198.

542c. **Passerculus sandwichensis bryanti** RIDGWAY.

Passerculus sandwichensis bryanti RIDGWAY, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., VII, 1885, 517.

543. **Passerculus beldingi** RIDGWAY.

Passerculus beldingi RIDGWAY, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., VII, 1885, 516.

544. **Passerculus rostratus** (CASSIN).

Emberiza rostrata CASSIN, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Phila., 1852, 348.

Passerculus rostratus BAIRD, Pacific R. R. Reports, IX, 1858, 446.

544a. **Passerculus rostratus guttatus** (LAWRENCE).

Passerculus guttatus LAWRENCE, Ann. Lyc. N. H. N. Y., VIII, 1867, 473.

Passerculus rostratus var. *guttatus* COUES, Check-List, 1874, 33.

544b. **Passerculus rostratus halophilus** (MCGREGOR).

Ammodramus halophilus MCGREGOR, Auk, XV, July, 1898, 265.

Passerculus rostratus halophilus RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 202.

544c. **Passerculus rostratus sanctorum** (RIDGWAY).

Passerculus sanctorum RIDGWAY, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., V, 1883, 538.

Passerculus rostratus sanctorum RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 201.

SUBGENUS **COTURNICULUS** BONAPARTE. This becomes a full genus, to include Nos. 545, 546, 546a, and 546b. Hence

GENUS **COTURNICULUS** BONAPARTE.SUBGENUS **CENTRONYX** BAIRD.

Centronyx BAIRD, Pacific R. R. Reports, IX, 1858, 440.
Type, *Emberiza bairdii* AUDUBON.

545. **Coturniculus bairdii** (AUDUBON).

Emberiza bairdii AUDUBON, Birds Amer., VII, 1843, 359, pl. 500.

Coturniculus bairdii BONAPARTE, Conspectus Avium, I, 1850, 481.

SUBGENUS **COTURNICULUS** BONAPARTE.

Coturniculus BONAPARTE, Geog. & Comp. List, 1838, 32.
Type, *Fringilla passerina* WILSON.

546. **Coturniculus savannarum passerinus** (WILSON).

Fringilla passerina WILSON, Am. Orn., III, 1811, 76, pl. 26,
fig. 5.

Coturniculus savannarum passerinus RIDGWAY, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., VIII, 1885, 568.

546a. **Coturniculus savannarum bimaculatus** (SWAINSON).

Ammodramus bimaculatus SWAINSON, Philos. Mag., n. ser., I,
1827, 435.

Coturniculus savannarum bimaculatus RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 205.

546b. **Coturniculus savannarum floridanus** MEARNS.**Florida Grasshopper Sparrow.***Coturniculus savannarum floridanus* MEARNS, Proc. U. S.

Nat. Mus., XXIV, 1902, 915.

[B —, C —, R —, C —.]

GEOG. DIST.— Central Florida (Kissimmee prairie region).

Nos. 547, 547a, and 548 are transferred from *Coturniculus* to *Ammodramus*. The reference to the subgenus *Ammodramus* on p. 227 (Check-List, 1895) is to be removed, and the reference to the genus on p. 223 is to be placed above No. 547.

581. **Melospiza melodia** (WILSON). This becomes a subspecies of *Melospiza cinerea* (GMELIN), hence Nos. 581—581k, together with four additional subspecies (581l—581o) and No. 581.1, will become

581. **Melospiza cinerea melodia** (WILSON).*Fringilla melodia* WILSON, Am. Orn., II, 1810, 125, pl. xvi.*Melospiza cinerea melodia* RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 354.581a. **Melospiza cinerea fallax** (BAIRD).*Zonotrichia fallax* BAIRD, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Phila., 1854, 119.*Melospiza cinerea fallax* RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 362.581b. **Melospiza cinerea montana** (HENSHAW).*Melospiza fasciata montana* HENSHAW, Auk, I, July, 1884, 224.*Melospiza cinerea montana* RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 358.581c. **Melospiza cinerea heermanni** (BAIRD).*Melospiza heermanni* BAIRD, Pacific R. R. Reports, IX, 1858, 478.

Melospiza cinerea heermanni RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 364.

581d. ***Melospiza cinerea samuelis* (BAIRD).**

Ammodramus samuelis BAIRD, Pacific R. R. Reports, IX, 1858, 455.

Melospiza cinerea samuelis RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 369.

581e. ***Melospiza cinerea morphna* (OBERHOLSER).**

Melospiza melodia morphna OBERHOLSER, Auk, XVI, April, 1899, 183.

Melospiza cinerea morphna RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 372.

581f. ***Melospiza cinerea rufina* (BONAPARTE).**

Passerella rufina BONAPARTE, Conspl. Av., I, 1850, 477.

Melospiza cinerea rufina RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 373.

581g. ***Melospiza cinerea rivularis* (BRYANT).**

Melospiza fasciata rivularis BRYANT, Proc. Cal. Acad. Sci., 2d ser., I, Sept. 29, 1888, 197.

Melospiza cinerea rivularis RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 363.

581h. ***Melospiza cinerea graminea* (TOWNSEND).**

Melospiza fasciata graminea TOWNSEND, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., XIII, 1890, 139.

Melospiza cinerea graminea RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 369.

581i. ***Melospiza cinerea clementæ* (TOWNSEND).**

Melospiza fasciata clementæ TOWNSEND, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., XIII, 1890, 139.

Melospiza cinerea clementae RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 368.

581j. ***Melospiza cinerea juddi* (BISHOP).**

Melospiza fasciata juddi BISHOP, Auk, XIII, April, 1896, 132.

Melospiza cinerea juddi A. O. U. COMMITTEE.

581k. ***Melospiza cinerea merrilli* (BREWSTER).**

Melospiza fasciata merrilli BREWSTER, Auk, XIII, Jan. 1896, 46.

Melospiza cinerea merrilli RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 361.

581l. ***Melospiza cinerea pusillula* (RIDGWAY).**

Alameda Song Sparrow.

Melospiza fasciata pusillula RIDGWAY, Auk, XVI, Jan. 1899, 35.

Melospiza cinerea pusillula RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 370.

[B—, C—, R—, C—.]

GEOG. DIST.— Salt marshes of San Francisco Bay, California.

581m. ***Melospiza cinerea cooperi* (RIDGWAY).**

San Diego Song Sparrow.

Melospiza fasciata cooperi RIDGWAY, Auk, XVI, Jan. 1899, 35.

Melospiza cinerea cooperi RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 367.

[B—, C—, R—, C—.]

GEOG. DIST.— San Quentin Bay, Lower California, north along the coast to Monterey Bay, California, east to Fort Tejon, San Bernardino, etc.

581n. ***Melospiza cinerea caurina* (RIDGWAY).**

Yakutat Song Sparrow.

Melospiza fasciata caurina RIDGWAY, Auk, XVI, Jan. 1899,
36.

Melospiza cinerea caurina RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus.,
No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 375.

[B —, C —, R —, C —.]

GEOG. DIST.—Coast of Alaska, from Yakutat Bay to Lituya Bay.

5810. ***Melospiza cinerea kenaiensis* (RIDGWAY).**

Kenai Song Sparrow.

Melospiza melodia kenaiensis RIDGWAY, Auk, XVII, Jan. 1900,
29.

Melospiza cinerea kenaiensis RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus.,
No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 375.

[B —, C —, R —, C —.]

GEOG. DIST.—Coast of Kenai Peninsula, Alaska, from east side
of Cook Inlet to Prince William Sound. (*Cf.* RIDGWAY, Bull. U.
S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 376.)

581.1. ***Melospiza cinerea insignis* (BAIRD).**

Melospiza insignis BAIRD, Trans. Chicago Acad. Sci., I, 1869,
319, pl. xxix, fig. 2.

Melospiza cinerea insignis RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus.,
No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 376.

602. ***Sporophila moreletti sharpei* LAWRENCE.** This
becomes

602. ***Sporophila moreletti* (BONAPARTE).**

Morelet's Seed-eater.

Spermophilus moreletti BONAPARTE, Conspl. Avium, I, 1850,
497.

Sporophila moreletti CABANIS, Mus. Hein., I, 1851, 150.

[B 388, C 200, R 252, C 296.]

GEOG. DIST.—Lower Rio Grande, in Texas, south through eastern Mexico and Central America, to Costa Rica (both sides). The subspecies *sharpei* is not satisfactorily differentiated from *moreletti*. (*Cf.* RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 575.)

[607.1.] **Piranga rubriceps** GRAY. This is removed from the 'Check-List' and becomes

18.1. **Piranga rubriceps** GRAY, of the 'Hypothetical List.'

GENUS **IRIDOPROCNE** COUES.

Iridoprocne COUES, Birds Colo. Valley, 1878, 412. Type, *Hirundo bicolor* VIEILLOT. (*Cf.* COUES, Osprey, III, 1899, 144.) Hence No. 614 becomes

614. **Iridoprocne bicolor** (VIEILLOT).

Hirundo bicolor VIEILLOT, Ois. Am. Sept., I, 1807, 61, pl. 31.
I[ridoprocne] bicolor COUES, Birds Colo. Valley, 1878, 412.

615a. **Tachycineta thalassina brachyptera** BREWSTER.

Saint Lucas Swallow.

Tachycineta thalassina brachyptera BREWSTER, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zoöl., XLI, 1902, 167.

[B 228, part, C 113, part, R 156, part, C 161, part.]

GEOG. DIST.—Cape region of Lower California. (*Cf.* BREWSTER, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zoöl., XLI, 1902, 167.)

627a. **Vireo gilvus swainsonii** (BAIRD).

Western Warbling Vireo.

Vireo swainsonii BAIRD, Pacific R. R. Reports, IX, 1858, 336.
V[ireo] g[ilvus] swainsonii COUES, Key N. A. Birds, 1872, 121.

[B 245, part, C 125a, R 139a, C 175.]

GEOG. DIST.—Western United States, east to the Rocky Mountains; south in winter to central and western Mexico. (*Cf.* BREWSTER, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zoöl., XLI, 1902, 174; RIDGWAY, Manual N. A. Birds, 1896, 472.)

GENUS **HELMITHERUS** RAFINESQUE. This name is corrected to **Helmitheros**, to agree with the original spelling.

656.1. **Dendroica nigrifrons** BREWSTER. This has been shown to intergrade with *D. auduboni* (*Cf.* RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. II, 1902, 555); hence

656a. **Dendroica auduboni nigrifrons** (BREWSTER).

Dendroica nigrifrons BREWSTER, Auk, XVI, April, 1899, 94.

Dendroica auduboni nigrifrons RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. II, 1902, 555.

681e. **Geothlypis trichas sinuosa** J. GRINNELL.

Salt Marsh Yellow-throat.

Geothlypis trichas sinuosa GRINNELL, Condor, III, May, 1901, 65.

[B —, C —, R —, C —.]

GEOG. DIST.—Salt marshes of San Francisco Bay, California. (*Cf.* RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. II, 1902, 672.)

682.1. **Geothlypis poliocephala ralphi** RIDGWAY. This becomes

682.1. **Geothlypis poliocephala** BAIRD.

Rio Grande Yellow-throat.

Geothlypis poliocephala BAIRD, Review Am. Birds, 1865, 225.

[B —, C —, R —, C —.]

GEOG. DIST.—Lower Rio Grande Valley, in Texas, south into Mexico (Morelos, Michoacan, Sinaloa, etc.).

The supposed subspecies *ralphi* proves to be indistinguishable from *G. poliocephala* (*cf.* RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. II, 1902, 687).

685b. *Wilsonia pusilla chryseola* RIDGWAY.

Golden Pileolated Warbler.

Wilsonia pusilla chryseola RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. II, 1902, 714.

[B 213, part, C 102a, part, R 125a, part, C 148 part.]

GEOG. DIST. Pacific Coast district, from southern California to British Columbia, southward during migration to Arizona, Lower California, and western Mexico. (*Cf.* RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. II, 1902, 714.)

SUBGENUS **TELMATODYTES** CABANIS. This becomes

GENUS *TELMATODYTES* CABANIS.

Telmatodytes CABANIS, Mus. Hein., I, 1850, 78. Type, *Certhia palustris* WILSON. (*Cf.* COUES, Osprey, III, 1899, 144.)

725. *Telmatodytes palustris* (WILSON).

Certhia palustris WILSON, Am. Orn., II, 1810, 58, pl. 12, fig. 4.

Telmatodytes palustris HENRY, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Phila., 1859, 107.

725a. *Telmatodytes palustris paludicola* (BAIRD).

Cistothorus palustris, var. *paludicola* BAIRD, Rev. Am. Birds, I, 1864, 148.

Telmatodytes palustris paludicola RIDGWAY, Geol. Ex. 40th Parallel, IV, 1877, 425.

725b. *Telmatodytes palustris griseus* (BREWSTER).

Cistothorus palustris griseus BREWSTER, AUK, X, 1893, 216.

Telmatodytes palustris griseus A. O. U. COMMITTEE.

725c. **Telmatodytes palustris plesius** (OBERHOLSER).

Cistothorus palustris plesius OBERHOLSER, Auk, XIV, 1897,
188.

Telmatodytes palustris plesius A. O. U. COMMITTEE.

725.1. **Telmatodytes marianæ** (SCOTT).

Cistothorus marianæ SCOTT, Auk, V, April, 1888, 188.

Telmatodytes marianæ A. O. U. COMMITTEE.

727c. **Sitta carolinensis nelsoni** MEARNS.

Rocky Mountain Nuthatch.

Sitta carolinensis nelsoni MEARNS, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus.
XXIV, 1902, 923.

[B 278, part, C 38a, part, R 51a, part, C 58, part.]

GEOG. DIST.—Rocky Mountain region of the United States,
south into Mexico (Chihuahua and Sonora). (*Cf.* MEARNS, Proc.
U. S. Nat. Mus., XXIV, 1902, 923.)

727d. **Sitta carolinensis lagunæ** BREWSTER.

Saint Lucas Nuthatch.

Sitta carolinensis lagunæ BREWSTER, Auk, VIII, 1891, 149.

[B —, C 38a, part, R 51a, part, C 58, part.]

GEOG. DIST.—Cape region of Lower California. (*Cf.* BREW-
STER, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zoöl., XLI, 1902, 203.)

The range of No. 727a thus becomes restricted to the Pacific
coast region of the United States.

SUBGENUS **LOPHOPHANES** KAUP. This becomes

GENUS **BÆOLOPHUS** CABANIS.

Bæolophus CABANIS, Mus. Hein., I, 1850, 91. Type, *Parus*
bicolor LINNÆUS.

Lophophanes was based on *Parus cristatus* LINNÆUS, which is
generically distinct from the American crested Titmice. This

necessitates the adoption of *Bæolophus* as the generic name of *P. bicolor* and its allies (*cf.* RIDGWAY, Auk, XX, 1903, 308.) Hence

731. ***Bæolophus bicolor* (LINNÆUS).**

Parus bicolor LINNÆUS, S. N. ed. 12, I, 1766, 340.

Bæolophus] bicolor CABANIS, Mus. Hein., I, 1850, 91.

731a. ***Bæolophus bicolor texensis* (SENNETT).**

Parus bicolor texensis SENNETT, Auk, IV, 1887, 29.

Bæolophus bicolor texensis RIDGWAY, Auk, XX, 1903, 308.

732. ***Bæolophus atricristatus* (CASSIN).**

Parus atricristatus CASSIN, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Phila., 1850, 103, pl. 2.

Bæolophus atricristatus RIDGWAY, Auk, XX, 1903, 308.

733. ***Bæolophus inornatus* (GAMBEL).**

Parus inornatus GAMBEL, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Phila., 1845, 265.

Bæolophus inornatus RIDGWAY, Auk, XX, 1903, 308.

733a. ***Bæolophus inornatus griseus* (RIDGWAY).**

Lophophanes inornatus griseus RIDGWAY, Pr. U. S. Nat. Mus., V, Sept. 5, 1882, 344.

Bæolophus inornatus griseus RIDGWAY, Auk, XX, 1903, 308.

733b. ***Bæolophus inornatus cineraceus* (RIDGWAY).**

Lophophanes inornatus cineraceus RIDGWAY, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., VI, 1883, 154.

Bæolophus inornatus cineraceus RIDGWAY, Auk, XX, 1903, 308.

734. ***Bæolophus wollweberi* (BONAPARTE).**

Lophophanes wollweberi BONAPARTE, Compt. Rend., XXXI, 1850, 478.

Bæolophus wollweberi RIDGWAY, Auk, XX, 1903, 308.

741b. **Parus rufescens barlowi** J. GRINNELL.**Barlow's Chickadee.***Parus rufescens barlowi* J. GRINNELL, Condor, II, 1900, 127.

[B—, C—, R—, C—.]

GEOG. DIST.—Coast Range of California, from Monterey county to San Francisco Bay. (*Cf.* GRINNELL, Condor, II, 1900, 127.)

II. PROPOSED CHANGES IN NOMENCLATURE NOT ADOPTED.

Cyclorrhynchus vs. *Phaleris* (*cf.* GRANT, Cat. Birds Brit. Mus., XXVI, 1898, 607). The type of *Phaleris*, by elimination, is *Alca pygmaea* GMELIN, hence no change is necessary.

- 37. **Stercorarius parasiticus** vs. *S. cepphus*, and
- 38. **Stercorarius longicaudus** vs. *S. parasiticus* (*cf.* ROTHSCHILD & HARTERT, Novit. Zool., 1902, 413). In the opinion of the Committee the proposed changes are undesirable.
- 123a, 123b. **Phalacrocorax pelagicus robustus et resplendens** vs. *P. pelagicus*, and
- 124. **Phalacrocorax urile** vs. *P. bicristatus* (*cf.* GRANT, Cat. Bds. Brit. Mus., XXVI, 1898, 361, 358). A change in these cases appears to be unwarranted.
- 151. **Clangula clangula** vs. *C. glaucion* (*cf.* GODMAN, Biol. Cent.-Am., Aves, III, 1902, 225). As *Clangula* has page precedence over *glaucion* no change is necessary.
- Charitonetta** vs. **Clangula**. (*Cf.* GODMAN, Biol. Cent.-Am., Aves, III, 1902, 226). As *Charitonetta* seems fairly entitled to generic recognition, no change seems advisable.

- Olor** vs. *Cygnus* (*cf.* ELLIOT, Auk, 1899, 226). In accordance with its former ruling (Auk, 1899, 129) the Committee decided that the change in this case was unnecessary.
- 298c. **Canachites canadensis canace** vs. *C. canadensis*, and
- 298b. **Canachites canadensis osgoodi** vs. *C. canadensis* (*cf.* GRANT, Ibis, 1902, 233, 234). No change is considered necessary.
320. **Columbigallina passerina terrestris** vs. *Chamaepelia passerina*, and
- 320a. **Columbigallina passerina pallescens** vs. *Chamaepelia passerina* (*cf.* GODMAN, Biol. Centr.-Am., Aves, III, 1902, 250).
- The Committee finds no reason for altering the status of these subspecies in the Check-List.
- Buteola** (*cf.* COUES, Osprey, III, 1899, 144). The characters are too slight to warrant the adoption of *Buteola* as a full genus.
- Strix** vs. *Aluco*, and **Strigidæ** vs. *Aluconidæ* (*cf.* COUES, Auk, 1900, 66). No change is deemed necessary. Dr. Coues was in error when he stated that Brisson fixed the type of the genus *Strix* in 1760. (*Cf.* STONE, Auk, XX, 272.)
- 394b. **Dryobates pubescens homorus** vs. *D. p. leucurus* (*cf.* W. K. FISHER, Condor, IV, 1902, 69). It is considered inexpedient to make a change here, as Hartlaub's description of *D. leucurus* is too brief and inaccurate to render identification a matter of certainty.
- Antrostomus** vs. *Caprimulgus* (*cf.* Tenth Suppl., Auk, 1901, 317). In the absence of precise anatomical information concerning the members of these genera, it is thought to be unwise to change the status of the species in the Check-List.
- 464.2. **Empidonax insulicola** vs. *E. difficilis* (*cf.* GRINNELL, Pac. Coast Avif., No. 3, 1902, 43). No argument is advanced for this proposed change, and no action by the Committee is deemed necessary.

484c. **Perisoreus canadensis nigricapillus** vs. *P. c. fulvifrons* (*cf.* HOWE, Osprey, 1902, 105).

485. **Perisoreus obscurus** vs. *P. canadensis obscurus* (*cf.* HOWE, Osprey, 1902, 105).

485a. **Perisoreus obscurus griseus** vs. *P. canadensis* (*cf.* HOWE, Osprey, 1902, 105).

The proposed changes in the above three cases appear to be quite unnecessary.

SUBGENUS **Picicorvus** vs. genus *Picicorvus* (*cf.* COUES, Osprey, III, 1899, 144). *Picicorvus* is not considered worthy of full generic rank (*cf.* Seventh Suppl., Auk, 1895, 167).

501a. **Sturnella magna hoopesi** vs. *S. m. mexicana* (*cf.* CHAPMAN, Bull. Am. Mus. N. H., XIII, 1900, 298, 303). This form is considered to be sufficiently distinct from *S. m. mexicana* to retain its present status in the Check-List.

550d. **Ammodramus maritimus macgillivraii** vs. *A. maritimus* (*cf.* HOWE, Contr. Am. Orn., I, 1902, 32). The Committee is unable to find sufficient grounds for reversing its decision in this case.

622a, b, c. **Lanius ludovicianus excubitorides**, *gambeli*, and *anthonyi* vs. *L. ludovicianus* (*cf.* GRANT, Novit. Zool. 1902, 461).

No change is considered necessary in respect to the status of these subspecies of *Lanius*.

Dendroica montana vs. *D. virens* (*cf.* RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. II, 1902, 784). The identification of Wilson's *Sylvia montana* with *Dendroica virens* appears to be not without question, and its present position in the Hypothetical List is thought to best represent its status.

713a. **Heleodytes brunneicapillus bryanti** vs. *H. brunneicapillus* and

743a. ***Psaltriparus minimus californicus*** vs. ***P. minimus*** (*cf.* GRINNELL, Pac. Coast Avif., III, 1902, 68, 72). As no reasons are advanced for the proposed changes, no action by the Committee appears to be necessary.

III. SPECIES AND SUBSPECIES NOT ACCEPTED.

Xenopicus gravirostris GRINNELL, Condor, 1902, 89.
Characters too trivial and inconstant for recognition.

Otocoris alpestris enthymia OBERHOLSER.

Otocoris alpestris ammophila OBERHOLSER.

Otocoris alpestris leucansiptila OBERHOLSER. (*Cf.* OBERHOLSER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., XXIV, 1902, 817, 849, 864.)

The characters exhibited by these forms are considered too slight for recognition in nomenclature.

Cyanocitta stelleri borealis CHAPMAN, Bull. Am. Mus. N. H., XVI, 1902, 240.

Rejected as being almost indistinguishable from true *stelleri*, the alleged differences proving to be mainly seasonal.

Ammodramus australis (MAYNARD). (*Cf.* DUBOIS, Syn. Avium, fasc. IX, 1901, 632.)

This is equivalent to *A. savannarum passerinus*, it having been based on a winter migrant of the latter obtained in the Bahamas.

Melospiza sanakii McGREGOR, Condor, III, 1901, 87.
Not distinguishable from *M. cinerea*.

Melospiza fasciata ingersolli McGREGOR, Bull. Cooper Orn. Club, I, 1899, 35.
Almost identical with *M. c. merrilli*.

Melospiza cinerea gouldi (BAIRD). (*Cf.* GRINNELL, Pac. Coast Avif., III, 1902, 65.)

A later name for *M. c. samuelis*, the type of *gouldi* being merely a specimen of *samuelis*.

Melospiza melodia santaerucris GRINNELL, Condor, III, 1901, 92.

Not considered worthy of recognition, its relationship with *M. c. cooperi* being too close for separation as a distinct subspecies.

Progne subis floridana MEARNS, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus.,
XXIV, 1902, 918.

Inseparable from *P. subis*, the alleged color characters being due to age.

Hirundo erythrogaster palmeri GRINNELL, Condor, IV, 1902,
71.

Considered as not satisfactorily distinguished from *H. erythrogaster*. (Cf. also Tenth Supplement, Auk, XVIII, 313.)

Geothlypis trichas scirpicola GRINNELL, Condor, III, 1901, 65.
Rejected as being equivalent to *G. t. arizela*.

IV. DEFERRED FOR FURTHER INVESTIGATION.

[Cases added to this list since the appearance of the last supplement are marked with an asterisk.]

Colymbidæ vs. **Podicipidæ** (cf. OBERHOLSER, Auk, 1899, 286).

Phalerinæ vs. **Simorhynchinæ** (cf. OBERHOLSER, Auk, 1899, 286).

52. **Larus vegæ** vs. *L. argentatus* (cf. KOBÉ, Auk, 1902, 19-24).

94. **Puffinus fuliginosus** vs. *P. griseus* (cf. SALVIN, Cat. Bds. Br. Mus., XXV, 1896, 386).

120. **Phalacrocorax dilophus** vs. *P. auritus* (cf. GRANT, Cat. Bds. Br. Mus., XXVI, 1898, 373).

121. **Phalacrocorax mexicanus** vs. *P. vigua mexicanus* (cf. GRANT, Cat. Bds. Br. Mus., XXVI, 1898, 378).

127. **Pelecanus californicus** vs. *P. fuscus* [= *occidentalis*] *californicus* (cf. GRANT, Cat. Bds. Br. Mus., XXVI, 1898, 478). *Rallus levipes* BANGS, Bull. New Engl. Zoöl. Club, I, 1899, 45.

216.1. **Porzana coturniculus** (*cf.* McLAIN, Bull. Cooper Orn. Club, I, 1899, 99).

[230.1.] **Gallinago major** (GMELIN) vs. *G. media* (*cf.* OBERHOLSER, Auk, XVI, 1899, 179).

* *Totanus melanoleucus frazari* BREWSTER, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zoöl., XLI, 1902, 55.)

277a. **Aegialitis meloda circumcincta** vs. *A. meloda* (*cf.* SHARPE, Cat. Bds. Brit. Mus., XXIV, 1896, 294).

* *Lagopus leucurus peninsularis* CHAPMAN, Bull. Am. Mus. N. H., XVI, 1902, 236.

* 310. **Meleagris gallopavo merriami** vs. *M. g. intermedia* (*cf.* GRANT, Ibis, 1902, 235).

* 318. **Leptotila fulviventris brachyptera** vs. *L. brachyptera* (*cf.* GODMAN, Biol. Centr.-Am., Aves, III, 1902, 259).

* *Accipiter velox rufilatus* (*cf.* GRINNELL, Pac. Coast Avif., III, 1902, 32).

Buteo borealis umbrinus BANGS, Proc. New Engl. Zoöl. Club, II, 1901, 67.

* *Buteo borealis socorroensis* (*cf.* BREWSTER, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zoöl., XLI, 1902, 35).

* 358. **Falco richardsonii** vs. *F. columbarius richardsonii* (*cf.* BREWSTER, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zoöl., XLI, 1902, 90).

* *Certhneis sparverius paulus* HOWE, Contr. Am. Orn., I, 1902, 26.

Nyctala vs. *Cryptoglaux* (*cf.* RICHMOND, Auk, 1901, 193).

* 375b. **Bubo virginianus arcticus** vs. *B. v. subarcticus* (*cf.* RICHMOND, Proc. Biol. Soc. Wash., 1902, 86).

377. **Surnia ulula** vs. *S. u. doliata* (*cf.* SHARPE, Hand-List, I, 1899, 296).

**Speotyto cunicularia becki* ROTHSCHILD & HARTERT, Novit. Zool., IX, 1902, 405.

*396a. **Dryobates scalaris lucasanus** vs. *D. lucasanus* (*cf.* BREWSTER, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zoöl., XLI, 1902, 102).

Picoides arcticus tenuirostris BANGS, Auk, 1900, 131.

*407b. **Melanerpes formicivorus angustifrons** vs. *M. angustifrons* (*cf.* BREWSTER, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zoöl., XLI, 1902, 105).

**Myiarchus crinitus residuus* HOWE, Contr. Amer. Orn., I, 1902, 30.

*458a. **Sayornis nigricans semiatra** vs. *S. nigricans* (*cf.* BREWSTER, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zoöl., XLI, 1902, 119).

Contopus vs. *Horizopus* (*cf.* OBERHOLSER, Auk, 1899, 331).

Contopus richardsoni saturatus BISHOP, Auk, 1900, 116.

**Otocoris alpestris aphrasta* OBERHOLSER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., XXIV, 1902, 860.

**Cyanocitta stelleri carbonacea* (*cf.* W. K. FISHER, Condor, 1902, 41).

**Agelaius phoeniceus richmondi* (*cf.* RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. II, 1902, 335).

*501b. **Sturnella magna neglecta** vs. *S. neglecta* (*cf.* RIDGWAY, l. c., 365).

*503. **Icterus audubonii** vs. *I. melanocephalus auduboni* (*cf.* RIDGWAY, l. c., 282).

Loxia curvirostra bendirei (*cf.* MERRIAM, N. Am. Fauna, No. 16, 1899, 123; RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 50).

*544b. **Ammodramus rostratus halophilus** vs. *A. r. guttatus* (*cf.* BREWSTER, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zoöl., XLI, 1902, 139).

- 567b. **Junco hyemalis connectens** vs. *J. oreganus shufeldti* (cf. RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 285).
- 567c. **Junco hyemalis thurberi** vs. *J. oreganus thurberi* (cf. RIDGWAY, l. c. 287).
- 567d. **Junco hyemalis pinosus** vs. *J. oreganus pinosus* (cf. RIDGWAY, l. c. 288).
- 568.1. **Junco annectens** vs. hybridity between *J. caniceps* and *J. mearnsi* (cf. RIDGWAY, l. c. 276).
- 570a. **Junco phæonotus dorsalis** vs. *J. dorsalis* (cf. RIDGWAY, l. c. 297).
- 574a. **Amphispiza belli nevadensis** vs. *A. nevadensis* (cf. GRINNELL, Auk, 1898, 59; FISHER, *ibid.* 190).
- Melospiza cinerea cleonensis* (cf. RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 371).
- **Melospiza cinerea phæa* FISHER, Condor, 1902, 36.
- **Melospiza coronatorum* GRINNELL & DAGGETT, Auk, 1903, 34.
- Passerella iliaca fuliginosa* RIDGWAY, Auk, 1899, 36.
- Passerella iliaca annectens* RIDGWAY, Auk, 1900, 30.
- Passerella iliaca insularis* RIDGWAY, Auk, 1900, 30.
- Passerella iliaca townsendi* RIDGWAY, Auk, 1900, 30.
- **Passerella iliaca annectens* vs. *P. i. meruloides* (cf. GRINNELL, Condor, 1902, 45).
- *588d. **Pipilo maculatus atratus** vs. *P. m. megalonyx* (cf. GRINNELL, Condor, 1902, 23).
- 591a. **Pipilo fuscus albogula** vs. *P. albogula* (cf. RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 433).
- 591b. **Pipilo fuscus crissalis** vs. *P. crissalis* (cf. RIDGWAY, l. c. 434).
- 591c. **Pipilo fuscus senicula** vs. *P. crissalis senicula* (cf. RIDGWAY, l. c. 436).

591d. **Pipilo fuscus carolæ** vs. *P. crissalis carolæ* (*cf.* RIDGWAY, *l. c.* 435).

591d. **Pipilo fuscus carolæ**. Proposed elimination from the Check-List (*cf.* Condor, 1901, 108).

SUBFAMILY **PTILIOGONATINÆ** vs. Family *Ptiliogonatidæ* (*cf.* RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 21).

Lanius ludovicianus migrans W. PALMER, Auk, 1898, 248.

* 649. **Compsothlypis nigrilora** vs. *C. pitiayumi nigrilora* (*cf.* RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. II, 1902, 490).

* *Compsothlypis americana ramalinae* RIDGWAY, *l. c.* 485.

* 658. **Dendroica rara** vs. *D. cerulea* (A. ALLEN, Auk, XX, 1903, 216).

SUBFAMILY **MIMINÆ** vs. Family *Mimidae* (*cf.* RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 23).

* *Heleodytes brunneicapillus couesi* (*cf.* MEARNs, Auk, 1902, 143).

* *Heleodytes brunneicapillus anthonyi* MEARNs, Auk, 1902, 143.

Salpinctes obsoletus pulverius GRINNELL, Auk, 1898, 238.

* *Salpinctes obsoletus pulverius* vs. *S. pulverius* (*cf.* GRINNELL, Pac. Coast Avifauna, III, 1902, 68).

* *Cistothorus palustris dissaeptus* BANGS, Auk, 1902, 352.

SUBFAMILY **SITTINÆ** vs. Family *Sittidae* (*cf.* RIDGWAY, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 50, pt. I, 1901, 22).

740a. **Parus hudsonicus stoneyi** vs. *P. h. evura* (*cf.* GRINNELL, Pac. Coast Avifauna, I, 1900, 60).

* *Parus hudsonicus littoralis* (*cf.* CHAPMAN, Bull. Am. Mus. N. H., XVI, 1902, 245).

Chamæa fasciata intermedia GRINNELL, Condor, II, 1900, 86.

742a. **Chamæa fasciata henshawi** vs. *C. fasciata* (*cf.* OSGOOD, Proc. Biol. Soc. Wash., XIII, 1899, 41).

*748b. **Psaltriparus minimus grindæ** vs. *P. grindæ* (*cf.* BREWSTER, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zoöl., XLI, 1902, 205).

*758b. **Hylocichla ustulata cedica** vs. *H. ustulata* (*cf.* GRINNELL, Auk, 1902, 128-130).

Hylocichla aonalaeschkei slevini GRINNELL, Auk, 1901, 258.

**Sialia sialis grata* (*cf.* HOWE, Contr. Am. Orn., 1902, 31).

Action on the following generic and subgeneric names is still deferred.

<i>Ægialeus</i> Reichenb.	<i>Hydrocoloeus</i> Kaup.
<i>Aristonetta</i> Baird.	<i>Limonites</i> Kaup.
<i>Astur</i> Lacép.	* <i>Myioborus</i> Baird.
* <i>Chamæthlypis</i> Ridgw.	* <i>Oporornis</i> Baird.
<i>Chroicocephalus</i> Eyton.	<i>Ortygops</i> Heine.
<i>Cymochorea</i> Coues.	<i>Pallasicarbo</i> Coues.
<i>Dytes</i> Kaup.	* <i>Peucedramus</i> Coues.
<i>Endomychura</i> Oberh.	<i>Pheebastria</i> Reichenb.
<i>Exanthemops</i> Elliot.	<i>Proctopus</i> Kaup.
<i>Fuligula</i> Steph.	<i>Pseuduria</i> Coues.
<i>Heteropygia</i> Coues.	<i>Psiloscops</i> Coues.
<i>Hierofalco</i> Cuvier.	' <i>Tachytriorchis</i> Kaup.