

no means complete. Curiously enough Dr. Watson's important experiments with the Noddy and Sooty Terns on the Tortugas seem to be known to him only through a casual mention by Dr. Allen.— W. S.

'**Oologia Neerlandica.**'¹— Parts 2 and 3 of this excellent work are at hand and are fully up to the high standard set by Part 1. The eggs of the Thrushes, Warblers, Finches, Pipits, Hawks, and Owls, are figured in these numbers, which comprise in all sixty-five plates of from three to six figures each.

The text as in the previous part considers in detail the structure of the egg shell, often with results of no little interest. Among the Owls for instance, investigations along this line place *Athene* and *Syrnium* together, and also show close affinity between the two species of *Asio* while the Barn Owl stands off by itself. In the text relating to the Cuckoo no less than twenty-seven species of birds are listed in whose nests, in the Netherlands, Cuckoos' eggs have been found. Mr. Van Pelt Lechner is to be congratulated upon producing a work which will exert an influence far beyond the limited area of which it especially treats, and one which cannot help to increase interest in, and place on a higher plane, the study of birds' eggs.— W. S.

Morse's '**A Pocket List of Birds of Eastern Massachusetts.**'²— This little work is intended as a handy pocket reminder to the local bird student of 'what, when, and where' to seek, and it seems to admirably meet the requirements of such a publication. Under each species are given its common and technical name, a brief statement of its relative abundance, character of occurrence, and the actual dates of occurrence in eastern Massachusetts, the kind of places usually inhabited by it, and in species of limited distribution, the counties or towns in which it is known to occur. Seasonal charts give a graphic idea of the time of occurrence of all the species, and a short introduction furnishes such explanations as are required. There is also an index to common names and a photogravure frontispiece of Egg Rock and the Nahant Shore.— W. S.

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The Duck Hawk on the Palisades. By W. C. Clarke.

The Barred Owl at Rhinebeck, N. Y. By M. S. Crosby.

A Bluebird Study. By L. Claude.

¹ Oologia Neerlandica | Eggs | of | Birds | breeding in the Netherlands | By | A. A. Van Pelt Lechner, | The Hague | Martinus Nijhoff | 1911.

² A Pocket List | of the | Birds of Eastern Massachusetts | with especial reference to | Essex County | by | Albert P. Morse | Curator of Natural History, Peabody Museum, Salem [etc., etc.]. — Published by the Peabody Academy of Science | Salem, Mass. | 1912. | pp. 1-92 + 6 charts.