

forms, in which cases he prefers to follow the works of Mr. Ridgway and other specialists.

Swarth's list is a very acceptable piece of work and one of which he may well feel proud, while students of the ornithology of the southwestern portion of our country will find it a reliable guide to the ornithology of one of the most interesting states, zoologically speaking, of the entire Union.— W. S.

Aiken and Warren on the Birds of El Paso County, Colorado.¹—

This is an admirably prepared annotated list of 276 species, with an introductory discussion of topography, life zones, analysis of the bird fauna, workers in the region and a bibliography. The forty-five half-tones are from photographs from nature, all but two by Mr. Warren, and furnish good illustrations of many birds as well as nests and eggs.

We learn from the introduction that Dr. J. A. Allen was the first ornithologist to visit El Paso County, his report published in 1872 being the first list of Colorado birds. Mr. Aiken the senior author of the list came to Colorado Springs in 1871 and his collection begun soon after his arrival, is now in Colorado College. Mr. Warren's residence dates from 1881.

With ample material and long experience in the region of which they treat, the authors were well fitted to turn out an authoritative work and have succeeded admirably.

Why a paper of this sort should be published in two parts both of which were printed and distributed apparently at the same time, and why both parts are numbered, "13" in one series and "74" and "75-76" in another, are problems that only those in charge of the Colorado College publications can explain, while to others they will prove a source of annoyance and complication.— W. S.

Mathews' Birds of Australia.²— With part 6 the third volume of this great work is brought to a close completing the Herons and Bitterns. The high standard of the previous volumes is fully maintained and so thoroughly has the author covered the subject of nomenclature that we find but one new name dating from this part, i. e. *Hemigarzetta* (p. 448) a new generic term for *Herodias eulophotes* Swinhoe.— W. S.

Bannerman on the Ornithology of the Canary Islands.³— In this admirable paper Mr. David A. Bannerman gives us a most interesting account of his visit to this island group and a careful discussion of the birds

¹ The Birds of El Paso County, Colorado. By Charles E. H. Aiken and Edward R. Warren. Colorado College Publication Science Series. Vol. XII, No. 13. Part I (pp. 455-496) published May, 1914. Part II (pp. 497-603) June-September 1914. Price respectively 40 cts. and 75 cts.

² The Birds of Australia. By Gregory M. Mathews. Vol. III, Pt. 6. June 25, 1914.

³ An Ornithological Expedition to the Eastern Canary Islands. Parts I. and II. The Ibis. January and April, 1914.