

introduction and for the benefit of other students specimens of each form and its allies used in the study might be listed with the names of the institutions to which they belong; the student of the future will then know exactly upon what material decisions were based and can reassemble the series if desired.

These are but preliminary papers and they give promise of most interesting and valuable contributions to our knowledge of the bird-life of southern South America.—W. S.

Bannerman on African Bulbuls.¹—Mr. Bannerman has had occasion to work out the relationship of a number of the African Pycnonotidae and presents a list of the species represented in the British Museum collection arranged in the genera which it seems to him should be recognized—eleven in number. No keys or diagnoses are given. While a little more liberal than some of his predecessors in the recognition of genera Mr. Bannerman exercises a commendable conservatism and we note in footnotes that he finds himself unable to recognize two groups *Eurillas* and *Stelgidillas* proposed by Oberholser for species of *Andropadus*.—W. S.

Poncy on Contents of Birds' Stomachs.²—In two short papers³ M. Poncy presents a list of fish, insects, etc., found in the stomachs of shore and aquatic birds obtained in migration or in winter, on the shores of Lake Lemán, Switzerland, and a list of materials found in a hollow in a beech tree which was occupied successively by a Green Woodpecker, an Owl and a Stock Dove.—W. S.

Richmond and Swales on New Haitian Birds.—A collection of some 200 birds from Gonave Island off the coast of Haiti, obtained for the U. S. National Museum by Dr. W. L. Abbott, contained several forms which differed slightly from the Haitian species and these have been named⁴ by Dr. Richmond and Mr. Swales as follows: *Saurothera longirostris petersi* (p. 105), *Calyptophilus frugivorus abbotti* (p. 106) and *Phaenicophilus poliocephalus coryi* (p. 107). Dr. Abbott's Haitian and San Domingo collections made from 1916 to 1923 total some 1400 skins.—W. S.

¹A Revision of the African Bulbuls (Pycnonotidae) in the British Museum, with a list of all species and subspecies contained in the collection. By David A. Bannerman. *Rev. Zool. Africaine*, Vol. XII, fasc. I, 1924. Pp. 17-38.

²Contenus Stomacaux d'Echassiers et de Palmipèdes. par R. Poncy.

³Liste des trouvailles faites en Septembre 1923 dans la cavité arbre habité successivement par Pic-Vert, la Chouette Hulotte et le Pigeon Colombin. par R. Poncy. *Bull. de la Société Zoologique de Genève*, III, fasc. 3, January, 1924.

⁴Descriptions of Three New Birds from Gonave Island, Haiti. By Chas. W. Richmond and Bradshaw H. Swales. *Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington*, Vol. 37, pp. 105-108, March 17, 1924.