

the habits of their tribe the Sapsuckers have not only deviated from a standard of solid economic worth but have assumed risks in the way of tree disease transmission the extent of which can scarcely be foretold.—W. L. M.

Mathews' 'The Birds of Australia.'¹—Two additional parts of Volume XI of this work have appeared since our last notice. Four species of Pardalotidae and the single Australian Sun-bird are considered in the first pages of Part 4 while the rest of this and the whole of Part 5 are devoted to the great Australian family, the Honey-eaters—Melithreptidae, with which good progress has been made. Mr. Mathews contends that this represents a "composite unnatural group" "with one remarkable feature, in this instance the brush tongue."—W. S.

The Ornithological Journals.

Bird-Lore. XXVI, No. 3. March–April, 1924.

The Phoebe. By Mrs. H. N. Henderson.—Detailed account of nest building and rearing of two broods.

The Great Horned Owls of Buffalo Creek. By F. J. Pierce.—No locality mentioned.

My Robins. By M. B. Salmon.—Rearing a brood by hand.

Herding Domestic Turkeys in the West. By Charles Barnum.—Became perfectly accustomed to the presence of the herder and responded regularly to the human voice.

Excellent photographs of Mourning Dove brooding and feeding young. By Dr. F. N. Wilson.

The colored plate is by Fuertes and presents the Ruby-throated, Black-chinned and Calliope Hummingbirds.

The Condor. XXVI, No. 2. March–April, 1924.

Nesting of the Wood Duck in California. By Joseph Dixon. The most important contribution that has ever appeared on the life history of this Duck. In three instances where the young were seen to leave the nest they did so entirely without aid from the parent, fluttering down to the water eight to ten feet below, and the entire brood were out of the nest in two to three minutes after the first one left. Eighty per cent of the nests were over water. The paper is abundantly illustrated.

The Birds of the Todos Santos Islands. By John Van Denberg.

The Wilson Bulletin. XXXVI, No. 1. March, 1924.

Birds Observed in Southeastern Texas in May, 1923. By A. C. Bent. Annotated list of 198 species.

Ornithological Impressions of Fiji and New Zealand. By Dayton Stoner.

Nesting Birds of Lake County Oregon. By Dr. A. G. Prill.

¹The Birds of Australia. By Gregory M. Mathews, Vol. XI, Part 4, February 20, 1924, Part 5, April 2, 1924.