

nomenclature. However, this does not affect the value of Dr. Grinnell's admirable "Summation."—W. S.

Sutton's 'Introduction to the Birds of Pennsylvania.'—Mr. Sutton in his work for the Pennsylvania Game Commission has found a wide-spread need throughout the state, especially among school teachers, for a book that would furnish information on the distribution, abundance, etc., of the birds of the Commonwealth, and he has prepared this little volume¹ to meet the want. That he has successfully accomplished his task I think all will agree.

He has prepared brief but adequate descriptions of the various species with details of distribution in Pennsylvania and accounts of their nesting, while there is a paragraph or two on habits, song, etc. There are also, and this is a most important feature, line drawings by the author, of most of the species. Mr. Sutton, as is generally known, is primarily a bird artist, one of the best in America, and his ability to present an identifiable portrait of a bird without the use of colors is well shown in these admirable sketches. In every case he has caught a characteristic pose and has brought out the color values in black and white in a remarkable manner. Would that all who try to draw birds possessed this ability.

While the details of distribution for the western parts of the state with which Mr. Sutton is most familiar, seem to be excellent, it is unfortunate that he could not have had the benefit of the assistance of some one equally familiar with the eastern counties as some of the ranges for this region might have been improved.

While many very rare species, for some of which we lack definite state records, are included, curiously enough, no mention is made of the King Eider, several of which were killed on the Susquehanna River near Harrisburg in December 1920 (*Auk*, 1921, p. 270) and some of them, we understand, mounted for the State Museum.

Mr. Sutton's little book will, we feel sure, be of the greatest benefit to beginners in the study of Pennsylvania ornithology and to teachers who are in search of reliable information to use in instructing their classes.—W. S.

Phillips' 'A Sportsman's Scrapbook.'—Lovers of the great outdoors always enjoy a sportsman's reminiscences and this volume² of disconnected accounts of Dr. Phillips' hunting experiences in various parts of the country, will prove well worth reading. There are boyhood recollections, and

¹ *An Introduction to the Birds of Pennsylvania.* By George Miksch Sutton, State Ornithologist of Pennsylvania, etc. J. Horace McFarland Company, Harrisburg, Pa. 1928. pp. i-viii + 1-169, numerous cuts and frontispiece, color plate. Price \$1.00. (Mrs. L. A. Lutringer, Jr., 1724 Herr St., Harrisburg, Pa.)

² *A Sportsman's Scrapbook.* By John C. Phillips with illustrations by A. L. Ripley. Houghton Mifflin Co., Boston and New York. pp. 1-212, many illustrations. Price \$5.00.