

**'Aves' for 1930.**—Once again we have to thank Mr. Sclater for the compilation of the bird section<sup>1</sup> of the 'Zoological Record' an indispensable work for the systematic ornithologist or for anyone desiring to consult the literature of the science.

There are 1406 titles listed for the year 1930 which are as usual conveniently rearranged, by number and author, under subject and country and then systematically by families, with the names of all new forms given.

Stresseman so far as number of papers goes seems to be the leading contributor for 1930, with Friedmann and Wetmore leading the Americans. What we should do without this publication it is difficult to say especially when it appears within eight months of the close of the year of which it treats. The Zoological Society of London deserves all praise and all the financial help that scientific bodies throughout the world can give in keeping up the 'Zoological Record' while ornithologists should help by subscribing to the bird section which is offered separately for 7 shillings 6 pence.—W. S.

**Reis' 'Bird of Portugal.'**<sup>2</sup>—This is a systematic list<sup>2</sup> of the birds of Portugal with the scientific name and a list of vernacular names of each species or race, followed by a statement of its relative abundance and distribution. The number of forms recorded is 331.

The list is well printed and the nomenclature up to date and the author is to be congratulated upon an excellent piece of work. So much cannot, however, be said of the several illustrations which appear to have been drawn from badly mounted specimens with backgrounds supplied by the artist. The text is entirely in Portuguese.—W. S.

**Snyder on the Birds of Long Point, Ontario.**<sup>3</sup>—Following reports on other local regions of Ontario already reviewed in these columns the Royal Ontario Museum has made a survey of the vertebrates of Long Point, which projects into the eastern part of Lake Erie just as Point Pelee juts into its western waters. The present peninsula is almost opposite the city of Erie and the report on the survey is, therefore, especially interesting in comparison with W. E. C. Todd's report some years ago on the fauna of Presque Isle, close to this city.

The introduction and account of the birds and mammals are by L. L. Snyder and that on the reptiles and amphibians by E. B. S. Logier. We learn that the fauna is intermediate between the Carolinian and Alleghan-

<sup>1</sup> Aves (Zoological Record Vol. LXVII) 1930. W. L. Sclater, M. A. Printed for the Zoological Society of London. Sold at their House in Regent's Park, London, N. W. 8. August, 1931, Pp. 1-97. Price 7 sh. 6 pence.

<sup>2</sup> Catalogo Sistemático e Analítico das Aves de Portugal por J. A. Reis Junior, Conservador do Museu de Zoologia da Faculdade de Ciências da Universidade do Porto. Porto 1931. Pp. 1-136. Subsidiada Pela Junta de Educação Nacional.

<sup>3</sup> A Faunal Investigation of Long Point, and Vicinity, Norfolk County, Ontario. By L. L. Snyder and E. B. S. Logier. (Reprinted from the Transactions of the Royal Canadian Institute, Vol. XVIII, Part I. Pp. 117-236, three plates and a map.)