

1931, for the New York region, with annotated lists and there are short notes of interest.

The publication is a credit to the society and to the editor.—W. S.

**Kirke Swann's 'A Monograph of the Birds of Prey.'**—Part XII of this notable work,<sup>1</sup> edited by Dr. Alexander Wetmore, was published in October last. It maintains the handsome typographical appearance of its predecessors and carries the work through the Eagles, with a consideration of many of the Kites. If the plan follows that of Mr. Swann's 'Synopsis,' as it apparently does, the work should be completed in two or three more parts.

We are glad to see that Dr. Wetmore does not adopt Audubon's name *washingtonensis* for the Northern Bald Eagle as has been done by Peters in his 'Check-List Birds of the World.' It seems unfortunate and unnecessary to resurrect a name about which there has been so much doubt.

Two colored plates from paintings by Grönvold, representing *Dryothriorchis spectabilis spectabilis* and *Haematornis cheela cheela* illustrate the part.—W. S.

**Bailey's 'At Home with the Birds.'**—An attractive child's picture-book of birds has recently been prepared by Alfred M. Bailey and Earl G. Wright, both of the Chicago Academy of Sciences. The text and photographs are the work of Mr. Bailey while Mr. Wright has contributed eight excellent full page paintings representing the Baltimore Oriole, Red-headed Woodpecker, Goldfinch, Hummingbird, Rose-breasted Grosbeak, Cardinal, Bluebird and Least Bittern. The book is on sale at all major chain stores for ten cents or may be obtained from the Chicago Academy for fifteen cents postpaid.

It is a splendid thing to have accurate information and good illustrations of our birds made available to everyone and in no way can interest in birds and bird protection be better fostered. We congratulate Mr. Bailey upon this excellent idea and Mr. Wright upon his admirable paintings.—W. S.

**Marelli's 'Bibliography of Argentine Ornithology.'**—Mr. Carlos A. Marelli, Director of the Zoological Garden of La Plata, has published a bibliography<sup>2</sup> of books and papers relative to the ornithology of Argentina. While the list seems to be reasonably complete we note that only parts I and II of the Ornithology of the Princeton University Patagonian Expedition are mentioned, although all five parts have been published and the entire series of reports completed several years ago. The author of the earlier parts and of most of the papers listed on p. 98, moreover, should be W. E. D. Scott not W. L. Scott; only the first paper mentioned on p. 98 belongs to the latter, and in that case there is an error in the page reference. The list however, seems to be remarkably free from obvious typographical errors, and should prove of assistance to Argentine ornithologists.—W. S.

**Recent Papers by Berlioz.**—M. J. Berlioz, curator of birds at the Museum d'Histoire Naturelle, Paris, has published several papers of interest during the past year. These include a sketch of the work of Alcide d'Orbigny,<sup>3</sup> with comments on various of his species and a colored plate of the two Hummingbirds *Oreotrochilus adela* and *Eriocnemis glaucopoides*; another paper<sup>4</sup> discusses two little known Rails—

<sup>1</sup> A Monograph of the Birds of Prey (Order Accipitres). By H. Kirke Swann, edited by Alexander Wetmore. Part XII, October, 1934. Wheldon & Wesley, Ltd., 2, 3 & 4, Arthur Street, New Oxford Street, W. C. 2, London.

<sup>2</sup> Contribuciones al estudio de la Fauna Argentina. Bibliographia relativa a la Ornithologia. Memorias del Jardín Zoológico. Tomo V., pp. 37-106. 1934.

<sup>3</sup> D'Orbigny, Ornithologiste par M. J. Berlioz from the volume 'Commemoration du Voyage d'Alcide d'Orbigny en Amerique du Sud.' Publ. Mus. Nat. Hist. Nat. No. 3, pp. 67-74. 1933.

<sup>4</sup> Note sur Deux Espèces peu connues de Rallidés. Par M. J. Berlioz. Bull. Mus. Paris, VI, No. 4. 1934. Pp. 340-343.