

### Official Minutes of Northern Division.

The Club met at the home of Theodore J. Hoover in Palo Alto May 5, with President Emerson in the chair, and Mr. Hoover as secretary pro tem. Messrs. John J. Williams of Applegate, Placer Co., and E. A. Goldman of Delano were elected to active membership. The following names were proposed for active membership: J. O. Snyder, W. K. Fisher and R. E. Bruce of Stanford University and J. M. Hyde of Palo Alto. The following papers were read: "In the Breeding Home of Clarke's Nutcracker" by H. C. Johnson and "Nesting of the Mexican Wild Turkey" by O. W. Howard of the Southern Division. Mr. Jos. Grinnell then gave a very entertaining talk on Alaskan birds, and showed the Club a fine series of ptarmigan skins, showing the different moults. Refreshments were served, after which an hour and a half was spent in entertaining bird talk.

C. BARLOW, Division Secretary.

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#### MARCH.

The meeting was held on March 29 at the residence of Mr. G. S. Chambliss, in Altadena. Mr. Daggett presided. There were ten members present. The resignation of A. I. McCormick as Business Manager was accepted, and the treasurer, H. S. Swarth, elected to serve the unfinished term. On motion, a committee was appointed consisting of Messrs. Hahn and Chambliss to investigate the possibility of establishing a museum for ornithological specimens in Pasadena. The treasurer was instructed to send the dues on hand to the Publication Committee, reserving five dollars to meet current expenses. Burnell Franklin of Pasadena was elected to active membership. One paper, "The Heermann's Song Sparrow," by A. I. McCormick, was read.

#### APRIL.

The April meeting of the Division was held on April 28 at Room 403 Bradbury Block. There were eight members present. The museum committee were given another month to make their report. The name of J. Eugene Law of Pomona was proposed for membership by Mr. Grinnell through Mr. Daggett. Mr. Roth Reynolds exhibited some photographs of mounted birds, including one of the Little Brown Crane taken at Newport, Cal., a short time ago. After general discussion the meeting adjourned to meet with Mr. Daggett at Pasadena on May 31.

HOWARD ROBERTSON, Division Secretary.

### Publications Received.

STONE, WITMER. A New Race of the Short-eared Owl. [Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 1899, p. 478. Dec. 29, 1899.]

Mr. Stone describes a new race of Short-eared Owl from Pt. Barrow, Alaska from specimens collected by Mr. E. A. McIlhenny in 1898. The new race is described as much paler than specimens from the United States and with the tawny tints largely replaced by white. It is given as ranging southeastward over the arctic barren grounds from Point Barrow and the name of *Asio a. mcilhennyi* is proposed for the form.

STONE, WITMER. The Summer Molting Plumage of Certain Ducks. [Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 1899, 467-472. Dec. 1, 1899.]

*Auk*, XVII, Nos. 1 and 2, Jan., Apl., 1900.

*Bird-Lore*, II, Nos. 1 and 2, Feb., Apl., 1900.

*Chautauquan*, The April, May, 1900.

*Hummer*, The, I, Nos. 8 and 9, Jan., Mch. 1900.

*Journal of the Maine Ornithological Society*, II, Nos. 1 and 2, Jan. Mch. 1900.

*Land of Sunshine*, XII, Nos. 3, 4, 5, Feb. Mch. Apl. 1900.

*Maine Sportsman*, VII, Nos. 77, 78, 79, 80, Jan., Apl. 1900.

*Museum*, The, VI, Nos. 3, 4, 5, Jan., Feb., Mch. 1900.

*Naturalist Farm & Fanciers' Review*, II, No. 2, Apl, 1900.

*Notes on Rhode Island Ornithology*, I, Nos. 1, 2, Jan.—Apl. 1900.

*Oologist*, The, XVII, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, Jan., Feb., Mch., Apl., May, 1900.

*Ornithologisches Jahrbuch*, X, Nos. 5, 6, Sept. Nov., 1899 and XI, Nos. 1 and 2, Jan., Mch., 1900.

*Osprey*, The, IV, Nos. 5, 6, 7, 8, Jan., Feb., Mch., Apl., 1900.

*Our Animal Friends*, XXVII, Nos. 7, 8, 9, Mar., Apl., May, 1900.

*Our Dumb Animals*, XXXII, Nos. 9, 10, 11, Feb., Mch., Apl., 1900.

*Plant World*, III, Nos. 1, 2, 3, Jan., Feb., Mch., 1900.

*Popular Science* XXXIV, Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, Proceedings of the Nebraska Ornithologists' Union, Jan., 1900.

Feb., Mch., Apl., May, 1900.

*Recreation* XII, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, Jan., Feb., Mch., Apl., May, 1900.

*Sports Afield*, XXIV, Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, Feb., Mch., Apl., May, 1900.

*Sunset* IV, Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6, Jan, Feb, Mch, Apl. 1900.

*Western Ornithologist*, V, Nos. 1, 2, Jan. Mch, 1900.

*Wilson Bulletin*, No. 30, Jan, 1900,

*Year Book Department of Agriculture*, 1898. (issued 1899)



Mr. W. W. Price has arranged to again establish his delightful summer camp for boys in the Sierras from June to September next.