

ably be established at a comparatively low cost.

In this same number of *Forest and Stream* (page 197) there is a brief editorial account of a heronry on the McIlhenny estate. It is stated to contain at least 100,000 birds, including the following species: Snowy Heron, Little Blue Heron, Louisiana Heron, Green Heron, Yellow-crowned Night Heron, and Egret; and has been built up from a very few pairs, simply by carefully protecting the birds at all times.—H. S. S.

MINUTES OF COOPER CLUB MEETINGS

SOUTHERN DIVISION

JUNE—The June meeting of the Southern Division of the Cooper Ornithological Club was held on Thursday evening, June 28, 1911, in the office of H. J. Lelande, 246 Wilcox Building, Los Angeles.

The meeting was called to order by President Morcom, with the following members present: Messrs. Robertson, Willett, Alphonse Jay, Judson, Granville and Lelande.

On motion by Mr. Robertson, seconded by Mr. Willett, and duly carried, Mr. Lelande was appointed Secretary pro tem.

The minutes of the May meeting were read and approved.

On motion by Mr. Robertson, seconded by Mr. Judson, and duly carried, the Secretary was instructed to cast the unanimous ballot of those present electing to active membership Misses Kellogg and Blayne, and Messrs. Walker, Hamilton, Smith, Evermann, Carriker, Shaw, Rust, Stevens, Jordan, Barbour, Nehrling, Kermodé, Wells, Durfee, Mueller, Barker and Lane, whose names were presented at the May meeting. The following application for membership was presented: Eleanor Poitevent Earle, Palma Sola, Florida, proposed by A. B. Howell.

A communication from Mr. Frank S. Daggett to Secretary Law was read. In this letter Mr. Daggett stated that there was a probability of his making his permanent residence in California; all those present being very much pleased to hear such good news.

The following papers were read: "Further Notes from Santa Cruz Island" by A. B. Howell and A. Van Rossem; "May Notes from San Jacinto Lake" by G. Willett and Antonin Jay; and "An Early Spring Trip to Anacapa Island" by Homer L. Burt. Adjourned.—H. J. LELANDE, *Secretary, pro tem.*

JULY—The July meeting of the Southern Division of the Cooper Ornithological Club was held on Thursday evening, July 27, 1911 at the office of H. J. Lelande, 246 Wilcox Building, Los Angeles.

In the absence of the President the meeting was called to order by Vice-President H. J. Lelande with the following members present: Messrs. H. C. Tracy, Howard Robertson, Otto Zahn, A. Jay, George Willett, H. J. Lelande, W. Lee Chambers. In the absence of the Secretary Mr. W. Lee Chambers was appointed by the Chair as Secretary pro tem.

The minutes of the June meeting were read and approved.

On motion duly made and carried, Mrs. Eleanor P. Earle was elected to active membership.

The following applications for membership were presented: Thos. M. Trippe, Howardsville, Colorado, W. Linfred Dunbar, Bridgeport, Connecticut; E. J. Court, Mt. Pleasant, Washington and Mrs. J. H. Lancashire, Alma, Michigan; all proposed by Mr. A. B. Howell; and Miss Gretchen L. Libby, Redlands, California, proposed by Mr. H. S. Swarth.

The minutes of the Northern Division for the July meeting were read. Also three papers were read by Mr. Lelande as follows: "A Hybrid Quail" by M. E. Peck; "Some Colorado Horned Owl Notes" by E. R. Warren; and "Swallow Notes from Fresno" by J. G. Tyler.

Mr. George Willett presented some preliminary notes from his forthcoming "Birds of Southern California", which were very interesting and brought out much discussion. Adjourned.—W. LEE CHAMBERS, *Secretary pro tem.*

AUGUST—The August meeting of the Southern Division of the Cooper Ornithological Club was held on Thursday evening, August 31, 1911 at the office of H. J. Lelande, 246 Wilcox Building, Los Angeles. In the absence of the President, the meeting was called to order by Vice-President Lelande, with the following members present: Messrs. George Willett, Loye Holmes Miller, W. Lee Chambers, Antonin Jay and J. E. Law.

The minutes of the July meeting were read and approved. On motion duly made and carried, Mrs. J. H. Lancashire, Miss Gretchen L. Libby, Messrs. Thomas M. Trippe, W. Linfred Dunbar and E. J. Court proposed at the July meeting were duly elected to active membership. The applications of E. J. Darlington, Wilmington, Delaware, proposed by A. B. Howell, and Bernard Bailey, Corvallis, Montana, proposed by H. S. Swarth, were presented. On motion by Mr. Willett, seconded by Mr. Miller and duly carried, the resignation of Mr. Chas. Reining was accepted with regret. The Secretary then read a very interesting article on the nesting of the Anthony Vireo, accompanied by two cuts, by Jennie V. Getty. This article describes the taking of the first set of four eggs of this bird and other

interesting nest notes. Adjourned.—J. E. LAW, *Secretary*.

NORTHERN DIVISION

JULY—The July meeting of the Northern Division of the Club was held at the Museum of Vertebrate Zoology, Berkeley, on Saturday evening, July 22. Vice-President Carriger was in the chair, and the following members were present: M. S. Ray, J. J. Boyce, O. Heinemann, H. C. Bryant, L. H. Miller, H. L. Coggins, Miss Winifred Wear, and H. S. Swarth. Miss Gretchen L. Libby and Miss Wear were present as visitors. The minutes of the last meeting (held on April 22) were read and approved, and the minutes of the June meeting of the Southern Division were also read.

The following individuals were elected to membership in the Club: H. Parker, S. S. Visher, L. H. Paul, M. S. Crosby, L. M. Terrill, W. J. Brown, A. H. Helme, C. M. Case, L. Tremper, G. Wells. Applications for membership were read as follows: R. P. Sharples, W. W. Arnold, T. M. Trippe, Eleanor P. Earle, B. W. Evermann, F. Smith, M. A. Carriker, Jr., B. A. Hamilton, A. Walker, all proposed by A. B. Howell; and Miss Gretchen L. Libby, Redlands, California, proposed by H. S. Swarth. There was some discussion of the proposed revision of the Club Constitution, but in the absence of two members of the committee having the matter in charge, no action was taken.

Mr. Boyce gave a talk on some of his experiences collecting water birds on Forrester and Hazy islands, in southeastern Alaska, he having made the dangerous landing on these rather inaccessible islands, on several occasions. Mr. Carriger read a letter from J. R. Pemberton, now engaged in geological work in Patagonia, giving his impressions of the bird life of that region, as compared with that of California, and telling of some of the more striking species.

A paper by M. E. Peck was then read, descriptive of a hybrid quail; a cross between the Mountain and Valley Quail, accompanied by the specimen. Adjourned.—H. S. SWARTH, *Secretary*.

AUGUST—The regular monthly meeting of the Northern Division of the Club was held at the Museum of Vertebrate Zoology, Berkeley, on Saturday evening, August 19. Vice-president Carriger was in the chair, and the following members were present: Chester Lamb, M. P. Anderson, D. Brown, and H. S. Swarth. Mr. George J. Barron was present as a visitor. The minutes of the July meeting were read and approved, followed by the Southern Division minutes for July.

The following, whose names were presented at the last meeting were elected to membership in the Club: Alex Walker, Dr. B. A. Hamilton, M. A. Carriker, Jr., F. Smith, B. W. Evermann, T. M. Trippe, Dr. W. W. Arnold, R. P. Sharples, Mrs. E. P. Earle, and Miss Gretchen L. Libby. New names proposed for membership were, E. J. Court, Washington, D. C.; W. L. Dunbar, Bridgeport, Conn.; and Mrs. J. H. Lancashire, Alma, Mich., all proposed by A. B. Howell; and Bernard Bailey, Corvallis, Montana, proposed by H. S. Swarth. Adjourned.—H. S. SWARTH, *Secretary*.

SEPTEMBER.—The September meeting of the Northern Division was held at the Museum of Vertebrate Zoology, on Saturday evening, September 16. President Mailliard was in the chair and the following members present: Miss A. M. Alexander and Miss L. Kellogg, and Messrs. M. P. Anderson, W. P. Taylor, O. Heinemann, J. Grinnell, H. C. Bryant, J. Boyce, C. Camp, H. W. Carriger, R. S. Wheeler and H. S. Swarth.

The minutes of the Northern Division August meeting were read and approved, followed by the reading of the Southern Division minutes for August. The following were elected to membership in the Club: W. Linfred Dunbar, Bridgeport, Conn., Edward J. Court, Washington, D. C.; and Mrs. J. H. Lancashire, Alma, Mich., all proposed by A. B. Howell; and Bernard Bailey, Corvallis, Montana, proposed by H. S. Swarth. The name of E. J. Darlington, Wilmington, Delaware, was presented by A. B. Howell, and J. S. Douglas, Bakersfield, Calif., by W. Lee Chambers, to be acted upon at the next meeting. The resignation of Charles Reining, Davenport, Iowa, was accepted.

A communication from Mr. Chambers was then read, giving an informal statement of the present financial status of the Club, a very gratifying exposition of the work accomplished by the business managers during the past year.

The committee on the revision of the Club constitution (J. Mailliard, W. P. Taylor, and O. Heinemann) presented its report. Several slight changes and additions were suggested, and the whole document was then formally approved, to be sent at once to the Southern Division before its final adoption.

Mr. M. P. Anderson gave an entertaining talk descriptive of his experiences in western China and Thibet, where he spent some years collecting birds and mammals for the British Museum. After briefly indicating his route and collecting stations, illustrated by a map, he spoke of the more conspicuous mammals and birds, and also of the hunting methods employed by the natives of the country. Adjourned.—H. S. SWARTH, *Secretary*.