

PUBLICATIONS REVIEWED

Yearbook of the Public Museum of the City of Milwaukee. 1922. (Published Aug. 1923.)

This volume contains four papers which will be of interest to bird students. "A collecting expedition to Bonaventure Island, Quebec," by George Shrosbree. This is an interesting narrative of a trip taken by Mr. and Mrs. Shrosbree and H. L. Stoddard to the famous Gannet rookery in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. The party was later joined by Dr. W. D. Richardson. The excellent photographs accompanying the article give a very clear conception of the island and the bird colonies. Nine thousand feet of motion picture film were exposed during the party's stay of more than a month. As a result of this trip the Milwaukee Museum will have a fine habitat group of this well-known, but rather inaccessible, bird colony. The author gives no estimate of the bird population at the time of his visit.

Following this article is one by Mr. H. L. Stoddard, "Notes on a 'side trip' to the Gaspé cormorant colonies." This paper is an account of experiences in collecting Double-crested Cormorants and gives information of value to anyone contemplating a trip to this region. Mr. Stoddard estimated that the colony contained at least two hundred and fifty cormorant nests. In another article Mr. Stoddard records the capture of two male starlings (*Sturnus vulgaris*) in Wisconsin.

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Each of the three volumes thus far issued has contained one or more ornithological papers which may be mentioned as follows. Volume I, (1910-1920), 1921. "A flight of hawks," by Chas. N. Gould. This note records a flock of over a hundred Marsh Hawks. "Some Experiences with Mourning Doves in Captivity," by Margaret M. Nice. An interesting paper on the food and behavior of this species. Volume II, 1922. "A note on the economic status of the Bald Eagle in Alaska," by Ed. D. Crabb. In the summer of 1921 Mr. Crabb went up along the Alaskan coast and returned through the interior, ascending the Yukon valley to Dawson and across country to Skaguay. On the coastal trip he saw "scores of eagles," but in the interior they were practically absent. Along the coast eagle stomachs contained fish bones, and one contained the feet of a ptarmigan. One nest contained the remains of seven Dolly Varden trout. The author believes it a mistake to place a bounty on eagles in the interior, and seems to doubt the necessity of it even along the coast. Volume II. "Some birds of the Oklahoma Panhandle," by C. R. Tate. One hundred and twenty-four species are listed, and all but six are substantiated by specimens. The list is the result of fourteen years of observation. "Nesting records from 1920 to 1922 from Norman, Oklahoma," by Margaret M. Nice. A report is made on the nesting of 37 different species. Among the nests whose history was watched to completion 118 were reported as "successes," while 150 were "failures"; thus indicating a mortality of considerably over fifty per cent.