The author points out that the published work of Cooke is now out of print and difficult to obtain. This new book, in addition to the description of the birds, etc., gives keys by which the birds observed, or obtained, may be determined.

The plates are beautiful reproductions from photographs taken from nature, and add much to the interest and value of the volume. The printing and arrangement of the text, etc., are excellent, and the author and publishers alike are to be congratulated.—A. G.

In that valuable series of little books, the "Cambridge Manuals of Literature and Science," there are some numbers that may appeal in particular to readers of The Ottawa Naturalist. The following have been added to the Carnegie Library, Ottawa:—

- "Heredity in the Light of Recent Research," by Doncaster; a useful little book, giving outlines of the theories of DeVries and Mendel, and of the work of Bateson.
- "Plant-animals," by Keeble; based on researches carried on for some years in a marine laboratory in Brittany—really a study of the life-history and habits of two marine worms, the green plant-animal and the brown plant-animal.
- 3. "Prehistoric Man," by Duckworth, an account with illustrations of various human remains of great antiquity, with brief mention of theories based thereon, and an attempt to arrange the primitive types in ascending order.
- 4. "Links with the Past in the Plant World," by Seward; an enquiry into the relative antiquity of existing plants, with reference to the evidence afforded by fossils—deals chiefly with ferns and coniferæ.
- "The Migration of Birds," by T. A. Coward; titles of chapters are: Cause and Origin of Migration, Routes, Height and Speed of Flight, Route Finding, Distances Travelled, Perils.
- 6. "Plant-life on Land," by F. O. Bower; a series of short essays to illustrate the migration of plants originally aquatic, to the land, and their adaption to their atmospheric surroundings—shows the point of view of the present day botanist.
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 7. "The Natural History of Clay," by Searle: some topics are: clay and associated rocks, origins of clays, some clays of commercial importance.
- 8. "Earthworms and Their Allies," by Beddard.
- 9. "The Coming of Evolution," by Judd.
- 10. "The Natural History of Coal," by Arber.