

sub-specific form *alnorum*.

LEAST FLYCATCHER (*Empidonax minimus*).—By far the commonest flycatcher at Edmonton. It may always be heard uttering its unmusical *che-bec* wherever the usual poplar forest exists. They arrive by May 16 and in two days are common. It is probable that the males precede the other sex by that much time. Their nest is a marvel of beauty and skill, and is usually completed and the full compliment of eggs laid by June 6.

HORNED LARK (*Otocoris alpestris*).—Apparently rare at Edmonton. According to my notes only once heard or seen, namely on March 25, 1913. The breeding form at Edmonton is possibly *leucomelas*, though *alpestris* and *hoyti* may also occur in migration.

BLUE JAY (*Cyanocitta cristata*).—Uncommon. Occasionally seen along the rivers in the heavier growth.

CANADA JAY (*Perisoreus canadensis*).—Mr. Spreadborough found this species in the Edmonton district in 1897. During 1912-13-14 I never once saw this bird, although it is very common in the foot-hill and mountain country to the west, where I saw it during the fall of 1913. I am informed by Mr. Taverner that Mr. H. C. Oberholser has determined Spreadborough's specimens as the type form *canadensis*.

AMERICAN CROW (*Corvus brachyrhynchus*).—Common summer resident. Arrives about April 1. Geographically this form should be the western crow *hesperis*.

COW BIRD (*Molothrus ater*).—Common summer resident. Arrives May 16. On June 13, 1913, I found an egg belonging to this bird in the nest of a Yellow Warbler.

YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD (*Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus*). Common summer resident. Nests in the same localities with the red-wing.

REDWINGED BLACKBIRD (*Agelaius phoeniceus*).—Very common summer resident. Arrives about April 25. The form inhabiting the prairies and the far north has been, in the past, referred to *A. p. fortis*. Mr. Oberholser has since sub-specifically referred it to *arctolegus*.

WESTERN MEADOW LARK (*Sturnella neglecta*).—Cannot be called common. Arrives about May 17. The song of this species is quite distinct from the eastern meadow lark. Mr. Taverner informs me that it is now given full specific standing.

BALTIMORE ORIOLE (*Icterus galbula*).—Breeds at Edmonton but is not plentiful. Arrives May 20.

RUSTY BLACKBIRD (*Euphagus carolinus*).—Very abundant breeder. Arrives about April 10. I once saw a single individual among the rushes of a frozen marsh, on November 25.

(To be continued).