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273. Audubon's Warbler.

(Dendroica auduboni.)

A very abundant summer resident all over the Province. Specimens taken east of the Cascades appear to be of much brighter plumage than those of the coast.

274. Black-throated Gray Warbler.

(Dendroica nigrescens.)

Not common. I have only noticed it on the coast. Mr. Brooks reports it from Chilliwhack.

275. Townsend's Warbler.

(Dendroica townsendi.)

Not common. East and west of Cascades.

276. Hermit Warbler.

(Dendroica occidentalis.) "Western Warbler." A summer resident, chiefly west of Cascades.

277. Grinnell's Water-thrush.

(Seiurus noveboracensis notabilis.) Taken at Duck's by Clark P. Streator, August 7, 1889.

278. Macgillivray's Warbler.

(Geothlypis macgillivrayi.)

A common summer resident throughout the greater portion of the Province. Breeds on Vancouver Island. A bright, active little bird, continually on the move, darting here and there among the low shrubbery.

NOTE.—In an old work, published in 1839 by J. K. Townsend, is a description of a new species of warble, which the author named "Tolmie's Warbler" (Sylvic tolmœi), in honour of Dr. Tolmie, then of Fort Vancouver. As the late Dr. Tolmie was an old resident of this city, where his family now reside, I was anxious to know to what species the name had been applied, and why it had been dropped, and wrote to Mr. Robert Ridgeway, Curator of Department of Birds, Smithsonian Institution, for the

information, and received the following reply :---"Sylvia tolmœi (Tolmie's Warbler) is a synonym of

Sylvia macgillivrayi (Macgillivray's Warbler)-Geothlypis macgillivrayi of recent authors. Both names were published in 1839, but tolinœi occurring on p. 343, while