

Publications Received.

BIRD LORE : Vol. XI., Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6 ; Vol. XII., No. 1.

While the reading matter of this magazine is decidedly interesting, it is the great excellence and usefulness of its illustrations which render it most attractive to the ornithologist. In each number there are not only numerous photographs of birds in their natural haunts, but colored plates of high excellence—probably the finest plates of North American birds which have ever appeared. With Vol. XI., No. 6, begin the plates of sparrows, which series will undoubtedly prove highly useful to bird students, in aiding them to recognize the various species of this difficult group. The Christmas bird-census in Vol. XII., No. 1, gives a good index as to the status of bird-life in North America this year, and shows that during this winter northern migrants and winter residents have been rare. A. B. K.

WILSON BULLETIN : Vol. XXI., Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4.

This excellent quarterly is of interest to Ontario ornithologists, because in it appear most of the contributions from the Great Lakes Ornithological Club, which organization has made Point Pelee, Ontario, its first territory for a complete ornithological survey.

In this volume the editor, Prof. Lynds Jones, begins his notes on "The Birds of Cedar Point." This point is just across Lake Erie from Point Pelee, and this fact renders these notes of great interest to Ontario bird-students. A. B. K.

JOURNAL OF THE MAINE ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY :
Vol. XI., Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4.

This quarterly of the Maine bird-students is always improving in quality, and the increasing number of short notes from various observers shows the widespread interest in bird study which it is creating in its State.

It is with the deepest regret that we record the death, on September 6th, 1909, of Mr. W. H. Brownson, the talented and cordial editor of the Journal. A. B. K.