

considerable interest in reading "Bird notes" in the columns of the "Naturalist."

This year we propose to continue this work and begin by publishing notes for February and March. We here give public expression of our obligation to those who so faithfully sent in the records of their observations last year. During this season the following persons have consented to assist in publishing reliable data regarding our birds: Miss G. Harmer, Mr. Geo. R. White, Prof. J. Macoun, Dr. J. Fletcher, Mr. A. G. Kingston, Mr. W. A. D. Lees, Mr. H. S. Marsh, and Mr. C. H. Young.

BIRD NOTES FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH.

Horned Lark—*Otocoris Alpestris* (Linn.)

Two were seen on the 17th of February by Mr. W. T. Macoun, at the Experimental Farm. They were seen in small flocks a few days later.

Prairie Horned Lark—*Otocoris Alpestris praticola* (Hench.)

Miss Harmer identified one of these birds on the 24th of February; Dr. Fletcher records a small flock on 18th.

Purple Finch—*Carpodacus purpureus* (Gmel.)

A male specimen of this bird was seen by Mr. A. G. Kingston on the 11th of March and again on the 17th.

Song Sparrow—*Melospiza fasciata* (Gmel.)

Seen by Mr. C. H. Young, near Hurdman's Bridge, on the 11th and by Mr. H. S. Marsh, near Hartwell's Locks on the 13th. They were abundant near the Experimental Farm on the 17th.

Robin—*Merula migratoria* (Linn.)

Seen by Mr. C. H. Young, near Hurdman's Bridge, on the 15th; by Mrs. Ridley, of Vittoria St., Mr. Geo. R. White and Col. Irwin, on the 16th; and by Dr. J. Fletcher and Mr. A. G. Kingston on the 17th.

Bronzed Grackle—*Quiscalus quiscula æneus* (Ridgw.)

This bird was first seen on the 16th by Dr. J. Fletcher and Mr. White.

Red-winged Blackbird—*Agelaius phœniceus* (Linn.)

A male was seen by Mr. White, at the east end of the city