

Canadian students will indeed welcome the final part of this magnificent work on the Birds of New York. The New York State Museum is to be congratulated in issuing such a beautiful and useful memoir. To the author every credit is due for the final appearance in such delightful form of years of labour. The plates by the well known artist, Mr. Fuertés, will certainly be admired by all bird lovers. The cost of issuing such volumes is, of course, extremely high and for this reason personal copies will be expensive and possibly difficult to obtain. The chief public libraries, however, in Canada should endeavor to obtain these two volumes for use in their reference reading rooms. Owing to the large number of persons interested in our native birds there would undoubtedly be many applications for the use of the books.

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HANDBOOK OF THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS PARK MUSEUM.—By Harlan I. Smith. Canada, Department of the Interior, Dominion Parks Branch.

This very useful handbook of 126 pages has recently been received. It has been prepared with the intention of giving to the public now a reference guide to the natural history of the whole region in and around the Rocky Mountains Park, at Banff, Alta. In Chapter 1, on the "Geography of the Rocky Mountains Park, a list of the important mountains, with their altitude is given, as well as a list of the living animals in the Zoo and the Paddock. Under Chapter 2 on Mammals," the different species are discussed in an interesting manner. Chapter 3 treats of the Birds, Chapter 4 the Fishes; Chapters 5, 6, 7 and 8 discuss Reptiles, Amphibians, Shellfish and Insects. These latter chapters are brief and do not mention any of the species. Chapter 9 describes many of the Trees found in the Park. Chapter 10, on "Minerals," 11, on "Rocks," and 12, on "Fossils" are also brief. Chapter 13 is on "Weather," 14 on "Antiquities," 15 on "Indians" 16 on "History" and 17 on "Literature of the Rocky Mountains Park."

The handbook will doubtless be well received by many visitors to the Banff Museum and Park.

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