SIXTH SUPPLEMENT TO THE AMERICAN ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION CHECK-LIST OF NORTH AMERICAN BIRDS.

By order of the Council of the American Ornithologists' Union the Committee on Classification and Nomenclature of North American Birds has prepared the following report on the species, subspecies, and changes of nomenclature proposed during the year ending November, 1893, forming the Sixth Supplement to the American Ornithologists' Union Check-List. The Committee met in Cambridge, Nov. 21–23, 1893, with the following members present: Allen, Brewster, and Merriam. On all but one question the vote was unanimous.

The numbers at the left of the scientific names facilitate collation with the Check-List. The interpolated species and subspecies are numbered in accordance with the provision made therefor in the Code of Nomenclature (p. 14, last paragraph).

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I. ADDITIONS.

305 a. **Tympanuchus americanus attwateri** (Bendire).  
*Attwater's Prairie Hen.*  
*Tympanuchus attwateri* Bendire, Forest and Stream, XL, No. 20, May 18, 1893, 425.  
*Tympanuchus americanus attwateri* Bendire, MS.  
[B 464, part, C 384, part, R 477, part, C 563, part.]  
Hab. Coast region of Louisiana and Texas.

373 g. **Megascops asio aikeni** Brewst.  
*Aiken's Screech Owl.*
Megascops asio aikeni Brewst., Auk, VIII, April, 1891, 139.
[B—, C—, R—, C—.]
HAB. Plains, El Paso County, Colorado, south probably to central New Mexico and northwestern Arizona.

373 h. Megascops asio macfarlanei Brewst.
MacFarlane's Screech Owl.

Megascops asio macfarlanei Brewst., Auk, VIII, April, 1891, 140.
[B 49, part, C 318, part, R 402, part, C 465, part.]
HAB. East of the Cascades in Washington, interior of southern British Columbia, and eastward into Montana.

567 d. Junco hyemalis pinosus Loomis.
Point Pinos Junco.

Junco pinosus Loomis, Auk, X, April, 1893, 47.
[B—, C—, R—, C—.]
HAB. Vicinity of Monterey, California.

725 c. Cistothorus palustris griseus Brewst.
Worthington's Marsh Wren.

[B 268, part, C 51, part, R 67, part, C 79, part.]
HAB. Coast region of South Carolina and Georgia.

740 b. Parus hudsonicus columbianus Rhoads.
Columbian Chickadee.

Parus hudsonicus columbianus Rhoads, Auk, X, Jan. 1893, 23.
[B 296, part, C 33, part, R 45, part, C 49, part.]
HAB. Rocky Mountains, from the Liard River south into Montana.

II. CHANGES OF NOMENCLATURE.

320. Columbigallina passerina (Linn.). This becomes Columbigallina passerina terrestris Chapm.

The type of C. passerina came from the Island of Jamaica and is subspecifically separable from the bird of the southeastern United States.

341. Buteo albicaudatus Vieill. This becomes
341. Buteo albicaudatus sennetti Allen.

Sennett's White-tailed Hawk.

Hab. Rio Grande Valley, Texas, and southward into Mexico.

417 a. Antrostomus vociferus arizonae Brewst. This becomes

Antrostomus vociferus macromystax (Wagler).

Caprimulgus macromystax Wagler, Ibis, 1831, 533.
Caprimulgus vociferus macromystax Hartert, Ibis, 1892, 286.
Cf. Hartert, l. c.

494 a. Dolichonyx oryzivorus albinucha Ridgw. This becomes a synonym of Dolichonyx oryzivorus (Linn.). (Cf. Chapman, Auk, X, Oct. 1893, 311.)

Genus Campylorhynchus Spix (p. 325). This becomes

Genus Heleodytes Cabanis.

Heleodytes Cabanis, Mus. Hein. I, 1850, 80. Type Furnarius griseus Swain.

Campylorhynchus Spix, 1824, is preoccupied in Coleoptera by Campylirhynchus Megerle, 1821. (Cf. Palmer, Auk, X, Jan. 1893, 86.) Hence Nos. 713 and 714 will stand as follows:—

713. Heleodytes brunneicapillus (Lafr.).
714. Heleodytes affinis (Xantus).
III. FORMS CONSIDERED AS NOT ENTITLED TO RECOGNITION.

_Megascops asio saturatus_ Brewst., Auk, VIII, April, 1891, 141.

Considered as a synonym of _Megascops asio kennicottii_ (Elliot), the range of variation in a large series of specimens of _M. a. saturatus_ covering all of the alleged distinctive features of the supposed unique type of _M. a. kennicottii_, the range of which latter is now extended southward over the supposed habitat of _M. a. saturatus_.

_Parus hudsonicus ungarva_ Rhoads, Auk, X, Oct., 1893, 328.

Considered as not separable from _Parus hudsonicus_ Forst., owing to the insufficiency of the alleged characters. It was tentatively proposed, and confessedly without comparison with specimens of _P. hudsonicus_ from any point near the type locality of the species.


Considered as inseparable from _Parus hudsonicus_ Forst.

IV. PROPOSED CHANGES OF NOMENCLATURE REJECTED.

_Conuropsis_ vs. _Conurus_, and hence _Conuropsis carolinensis_ vs. _Conurus carolinensis_. (Cf. Salvadori, Cat. Birds Brit. Mus. XX, 1891, 203.)

The type of _Conurus_ (Lesson ex Kuhl) is considered to be _Psittacus carolinensis_ Gm., as originally determined by the A. O. U. Committee by the principle of elimination (cf. Canon XXIV, A. O. U. Code of Nomenclature). _Conuropsis Salvadori_, based on this species, becomes therefore a synonym of _Conurus_.

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Corvus americanus caurinus (Bd.) vs. Corvus caurinus Bd. 
(Cf. Rhoads, Auk, X, Jan. 1893, 18–21.)
The proposed change was not considered expedient, the case being deemed not well enough understood to warrant any change.

The proposed change was not adopted, M. l. striata being considered as entitled to recognition as a local northwest-coast form.

The type of Vireo swainsoni Bd. came from Petaluma, California, instead of from Steilacoom, Washington, as represented (l. c.). Furthermore, in view of the instability of the Vireo gilvus group as represented in different parts of North America, and the tendency to development of slightly differentiated local forms, it was deemed unnecessary to recognize any of them in nomenclature.

The proposed change was not considered necessary, the material submitted to the Committee showing that true Sylvania pusilla is found in Vancouver Island.

V. ACTION DEFERRED.

Final action on the following was deferred.
Leptoptila brachyptera (Salvadori ex Gray) vs. Encyptila albifrons (Bonap.). (Cf. Salvadori, Cat. Birds Brit. Mus. XXI, 1893, 545.)
Owing to complications of synonymatic and other questions involved, final decision was deferred.
Chordeiles acutipennis texensis (Lawr.) vs. Chordeiles texensis Lawr. (Cf. Hartert, Cat. Birds Brit. Mus. XVI, 1892, 616.)
Deferred for later consideration, owing to last of material for examination.

While there is no doubt of the capture of specimens as alleged, nor of the correctness of the identification, final action was deferred pending further investigations as to the possibility of their introduction through man’s agency.

Deferred for later consideration, owing to lack of material for examination.

Vireo huttoni insularis Rhoads (Auk, X, July, 1893, 239).
Deferred for later consideration, owing to lack of sufficient material for examination.

ELEVENTH CONGRESS OF THE AMERICAN ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION.

The Eleventh Congress of the American Ornithologists’ Union was held in Cambridge, Mass., Nov. 20–23, 1893. The three days’ open session of the Union were preceded by a business meeting held at the residence of Mr. C. F. Batchelder on the evening of November 20. The open session, to which the public was invited, was held in the Nash Lecture-room of the Harvard University Museum.

Business Session.—In the absence of the President, Dr. Elliott Coues, who was unfortunately unavoidably detained in the West, the meeting was called to order by Vice-President William

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