PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

BIOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF WASHINGTON

NEW GENERA, SPECIES, AND SUBSPECIES OF SOUTH AMERICAN BIRDS.

BY W. E. CLYDE TODD,

The present paper, the sixth of the series to appear in these Proceedings, contains descriptions of a number of new neotropical forms discriminated by the writer in the past few months, together with diagnoses of two new generic groups which appear worthy of separation. Care has been taken in preparing these descriptions to make them sufficiently full and precise for all practical purposes, so that there may be no ambiguity in their application, without sacrificing conciseness. Critical remarks on the new forms will be deferred until a later date, when they will duly appear in a series of papers to be published by the Carnegie Museum of Pittsburgh. The names of colors are from Mr. Ridgway's "Color Standards and Color Nomenclature."

Idiospiza, genus novum.

Similar to Catamenia Bonaparte, but tail without any white spots, the rectrices narrow and acuminate; and wing more pointed, the ninth (outermost) primary shorter than the third. Type, Linaria inornata Lafresnaye.

Myospiza humeralis meridanus, subsp. nov.

Similar to Myospiza humeralis humeralis of Guiana, Brazil, Bolivia, etc., but general coloration darker, the pileum more heavily streaked with black, especially in front; gray edgings of the feathers of the back less prominent, with the brown more conspicuous; and breast and sides more heavily shaded with buffy grayish. Prevailing tone of upper parts brown, not black, as in M. h. columbianus Chapman.

Type, No. 36,753, Collection Carnegie Museum, adult female; Guarico, Lara, Venezuela, February 2, 1911; M. A. Carriker, Jr.

Sporophila lineola restricta, subsp. nov.

Adult male similar to *Sporophila lineola lineola* (Linnæus), and under parts without dark mottling as in that form, but forehead with only a few (mostly concealed) white feathers along the median line, as in *S. bourronides* (Lesson).

Type, No. 54,316, Collection Carnegie Museum, adult male; Gamarra, Magdalena, Colombia, July 12, 1916; M. A. Carriker, Jr.

Sporathraupis cyanocephala hypophæa, subsp. nov.

Similar in color of upper parts to Sporathraupis cyanocephala auricrissa Sclater, but under parts strongly suffused with blue, especially anteriorly, approaching thus S. olivicyanea (Lafresnaye). Similar to S. c. margaritæ Chapman, but upper parts more greenish, less brownish; under parts darker, the blue color more extended; and flanks, crissum, and tibiæ brighter yellow.

Type, No. 37,318, Collection Carnegie Museum, adult male; Paramo de Rosas, Venezuela, March 18, 1911; M. A. Carriker, Jr.

Thlypopsis fulviceps intensa, subsp. nov.

Similar to *Thlypopsis fulviceps fulviceps* Cabanis, but upper parts much purer gray (dark neutral gray instead of deep grayish olive); head and neck (all around) chestnut rather than amber brown; and crissum deeper buffy.

Type, No. 54,863, Collection Carnegie Museum, adult male; La Palmita, Santander, Colombia, August 11, 1916; M. A. Carriker, Jr.

Tachyphonus luctuosus panamensis, subsp. nov.

Adult male not certainly distinguishable from the same sex of *Tachyphonus axillaris* Lawrence; adult female, however, with the pileum grayish rather than greenish, and the throat more distinctly white. Adult male similar to the same sex of *Tachyphonus luctuosus luctuosus* Lafresnaye and D'Orbigny, but white patch on the wing-coverts much more extended, usually reaching beyond the tips of the primary-coverts in the closed wing.

Type, No. 207,427, U. S. Nat. Mus., adult male; Gatun, Canal Zone, Panama, February 1, 1911; E. A. Goldman.

Diglossopis cærulescens saturata, subsp. nov.

Similar to *Diglossopis curulescens curulescens* Sclater, but upper parts, wings, etc., brighter blue (deep delft blue rather than delft blue or greenblue slate), and underparts darker, with more blue suffusion.

Type, No. 54,898, Collection Carnegie Museum, adult male; La Palmita, Santander, Colombia, August 12, 1916; M. A. Carriker, Jr.

Myrmeciza læmosticta palliata, subsp. nov.

Similar to Myrmeciza læmosticta læmosticta Salvin, but everywhere paler and duller; black of the under parts in the adult male confined to the throat; pileum and breast much lighter gray; and upper parts, flanks, crissnm, etc., lighter brown. Adult female likewise paler and duller than the same sex of the typical race.

Type, No. 54,977, Collection Carnegie Museum, adult male; La Palmita, Santander, Colombia, August 15, 1916; M. A. Carriker, Jr.

Hylophylax nævioides subsimilis, subsp. nov.

Similar to Hylophylax navioides navioides (Lafresnaye), but more extensively white below, the gray shading of the sides and flanks more restricted; pileum dark slaty gray, with only a trace of brown; and tail grayish instead of brownish, the tips of the rectrices white, not tawny. (Description based on a comparison with Lafresnaye's type.)

Type, No. 52,742, Collection Carnegie Museum, adult male; Jaraquiel, Bolivar, Colombia, March 4, 1916; M. A. Carriker, Jr.

Pæcilurus, genus novum.

Similar to Synallaxis Vieillot, but tail composed of soft, closely webbed feathers, with broad, blunt tips. Type, Synallaxis candæi Lafresnaye.

Pœcilurus atrigularis, sp. nov.

Nearest apparently to *Pæcilurus candæi* (Lafresnaye), but back Dresden brown; supra-auricular region dull buffy brown like the pileum and hindneck; auriculars and throat black, separated from each other by a very narrow line of whitish-tipped feathers; wings externally, breast, and sides amber brown, passing into tawny olive on the flanks; middle of abdomen white; tail chestnut, all but the two outer pairs of rectrices dusky on the terminal third. Wing, 62; tail, 73; bill, 13; tarsus, 21 mm.

Type, No. 54,199, Collection Carnegie Museum, adult male; Gamarra, Magdalena, Colombia, July 8, 1916; M. A. Carriker, Jr.

Brotogeris jugularis exsul, subsp. nov.

Similar to *Brotogeris jugularis jugularis* (Müller) of Central America, Colombia, etc., but brownish wash on the back and wings deeper and more extensive; feathers of posterior under parts without any blue tinge whatever; and orange chin-spot smaller and paler.

Type, No. 47,723, Collection Carnegie Museum, adult female; Sierra de Carabobo, Venezuela, June 18, 1914; Samuel M. Klages.

