side are very much reduced in size, and seem to be arranged in a single row."


The type specimen still remains unique. The accompanying colored plate is the work of Mr. John L. Ridgway.

**RECENT LITERATURE.**

Packard's 'The Labrador Coast.'* — The first twenty pages are devoted to a sketch of the physical geography of Labrador, followed by about forty pages of historical matter, devoted largely to a discussion of the early discovery of the country by the Norsemen. Chapter V, 'One of Fifty Days in Southern Labrador,' gives a general view of the country as seen from the standpoint of the naturalist. The next hundred pages are somewhat in the nature of an itinerary of two summer cruises along the coast, with descriptions of the scenery, and notes on the geology, and the various forms of animal and vegetable life met with. Then follow chapters on recent explorations, on the civil history of Labrador and its fisheries, and on the Labrador Eskimo. The four concluding chapters are devoted respectively to a systematic account of the zoology and botany of the Labrador Coast, and an extended bibliography of works and papers relating to Labrador (pp. 475-501). The list of plants is by Prof. John Macoun, Naturalist of the Department of the Interior, Canada. The list of birds is by Mr. Lucien M. Turner, reprinted from the Proceedings of the U. S. National Museum (1885, pp. 233-254), "revised and brought down to 1891, by J. A. Allen."

The work is, in the main, a collection of previously published papers and memoirs, here brought together and revised, forming a valuable manual of our present knowledge of the Labrador coast. The narrative portions are entertainingly written, and contain passing references to the various species of birds met with.— J. A. A.

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