

three color maps (Grand Cayman west, Grand Cayman east, and Cayman Brac and Little Cayman). It is dedicated to the memory of Dr. Marco Enrico Clifton Giglioli (1927-1984), who founded the Mosquito Research and Control Unit in the Cayman Islands and was the stimulus for much of the research conducted in the islands.

This ambitious work certainly is a comprehensive account of the current knowledge of the subjects and will stand as the starting point for future research on the islands' resources. Unfortunately, the staggering price of US\$230 puts it out of reach for most of our private libraries. Nevertheless, this is an essential reference for those working in the Caymans and surrounding islands.—James W. Wiley

AVES DE LA ISLA DE CUBA, by Juan Lembeye. 1850. Edición facsímil. Presentación de Manuel Fraga Iribarne. Introducción de Francisco Díaz-Fierros Viqueira. Madrid: Xunta de Galicia. 1995. xlvii + 139 pp. 20 plates. softbound. ISBN 84-453-1357-6.—At long last this important publication is available at a decent price. After searching for years for an original 1850 copy of Lembeye's book, I located a tattered copy at a book fair in La Habana last year. This year I was pleasantly surprised to find this splendid facsimile edition at the same fair. In addition to the facsimile of Lembeye's *Aves*, Francisco Díaz-Fierros Viqueira has provided an excellent history of Lembeye life and work, with important material from his time in Cuba.

Lembeye, who apparently began work in Cuba in the 1830s, made substantial contributions to the knowledge of Cuba's birds. In his *Aves* he provided synonymys, measurements, and distribution, status, and natural history data for those species known to him. Lembeye's *Suplemento* and *Indice de las aves descritas* (with common and

scientific names) are included as in the 1850 issue. Also, D'Orbigny's (in La Sagra 1839) *Catalogo de las aves observadas en la isla de Cuba hasta octubre de 1850* is appended.

Perhaps the most intriguing aspect of Lembeye's work is its illustrations — hand-colored line cuts, nicely reproduced in the facsimile edition. These illustrations "borrow" liberally from John James Audubon's famous bird art. Almost all of the 20 plates in Lembeye's *Aves* were lifted, in one form or another, from Audubon's *The Birds of America*. Several of these are near-exact copies of the source, right down to the prey item and background; e.g., Osprey (Audubon's Pl. 15, No. 3), American Oystercatcher (Pl. 324, No. 65), Northern Pintail (Pl. 390, No. 78). Some plates depict birds in temperate zone vegetation; e.g., hemlock (Lembeye's Lam. No. 8) and tulip tree (Lam. No. 9). In other illustrations, various species from several of Audubon's plates are arranged within one of Lembeye's plates. One non-breeding resident (Baltimore Oriole, Lam. No. 9) from Audubon's *Birds* is shown with a nest. Some are original illustrations, like Lembeye's Bare-legged Owl and Black-and-white Warbler (which is nevertheless in the same black larch branch as the warbler illustrated by Audubon). The Green Heron illustration is taken from Audubon, but the bird's colors and plumage patterns are modified to illustrate the island's *brunnescens* form. In Lam. No. 3, Audubon's Red-shouldered Hawk has been used as a form for Lembeye's Common Black-Hawk; only the plumage has been changed.

The owner of the original copy from which the facsimile was made has made a few pen and ink notes in the *Catalogue*, but otherwise the presentation is crisp and easily read. This is an important work for the student of Cuban ornithology. Now that it can be had at a reasonable price, the contributions of Lembeye can be more widely appreciated.—James W. Wiley.

NOTICES

SCO ELECTIONS

Members are advised that election of SCO officers will be conducted in 1997. Nominations for President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer should be submitted to Dr. Marcia Mundle by 1 January 1997. Each nomination must be accompanied by a letter demonstrating the candidate's willingness to stand for election. The list of candidates will be published in the first 1997 issue of *El Pitirre*.

Send nominations to:

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1997 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SCO

The next Society meeting will be held in Aruba, 1-6 August 1997. Further details will appear in the next issue of *El Pitirre*.

SCO T-SHIRTS

T-shirts with the Society's logo are available in Large and X-large at US\$15 each (including shipping) from Rosemarie Gnam, Treasurer SCO, 13 East Rosemont Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22301, U.S.A. Send your order and a check or postal money order made payable to the Society of Caribbean Ornithology. Please don't miss out on this opportunity to promote the Society!

CARIBBEAN HONOR ROLE

Below is a list of the Caribbean ornithologists and conservationists whose contributions have been recognized by the Society at our annual meetings. These folks have been selected by the membership in their respective island territories for their contributions to the study of birds and conservation in the Caribbean. Below we list the date of the annual SCO meeting in which these people were honored.

Inductee(s)	Year of induction	Country
George Seaman	1988	U.S. Virgin Islands
Annabelle (Tudy) Dod	1989	Dominican Republic
Lisa Salmon	1990	Jamaica
Dr. Ricards	1991	St. Lucia
Dr. Virgilio Biaggi	1992	Puerto Rico
Orlando Garrido Dr. Abelardo Moreno Bonillo Rogelio García	1993	Cuba
Robert Rose Rosette Pere R. Pinchon Marcel Bon St. Come	1994	Martinique
Richard ffrench	1995	Trinidad and Tobago
Pericles Alexander Maillis Oris Stanley Russell Alexander (Sandy) Sprunt IV	1996	Bahamas

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