LETTER.

SONG-THRUSH AND OTHER BIRDS IMITATING WADERS AND OTHER BIRDS.

To the Editors of British Birds.

SIRS,—With reference to the above (antea, pp. 62, 88, 117) I have records of the following:—

In 1922 we had a Blackbird in Dulwich which imitated the whistle of a Parrot a number of times, after which it continued with its normal song.

In the spring of 1923 a Song-Thrush in Surrey had some very rich notes, and imitated some of the notes of a Nightingale which was singing at the same spot.

In the spring of 1924, while in the company of Major Smeed, we noted a Blackbird imitating the notes of the Stone Curlew, which were breeding in the same neighbourhood.

It is quite common on the South Coast to hear the Skylark using the notes of the Ringed Plover.

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