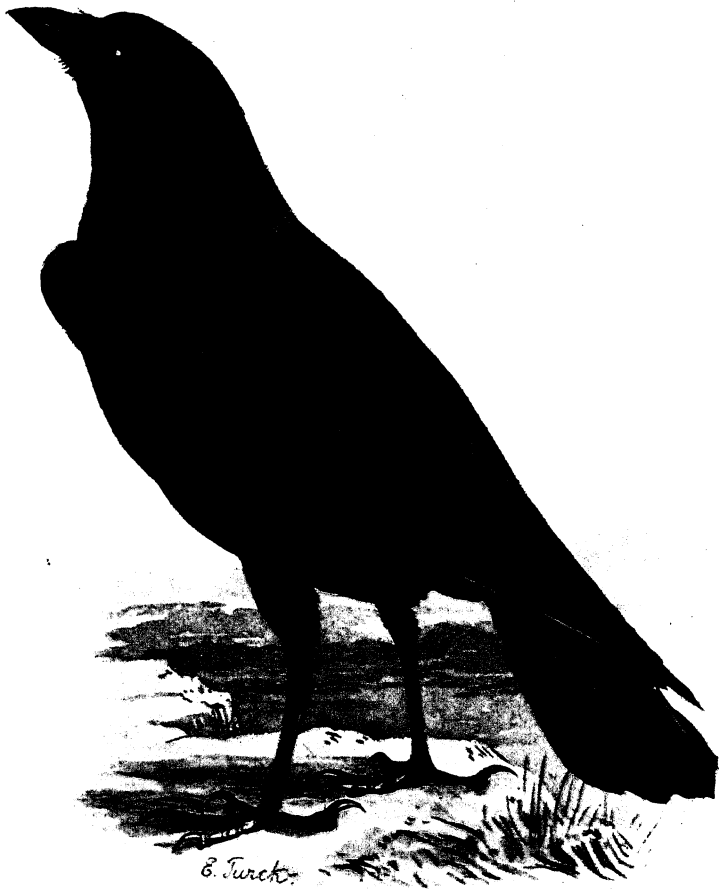


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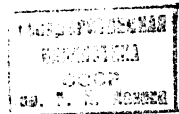
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PREFACE.

THIS fourth volume of "FAMILIAR WILD BIRDS" completes our pleasant task. If, perchance, in making more familiar some of the rarer denizens of Britain, we have secured for them better protection from that final extinction which has already overtaken not a few, we shall be well content; and may this attempt to convey some idea of the wonderful variety of bird-life help to promote the loving study rather than the total destruction of those "wild birds" that remain.

To a General Index is added, at the request of many subscribers, a classified scientific index of the birds described in all the four volumes, arranged according to the most recent system.

In this volume Mr. Richard Kearton contributes some notes on "Egg Collecting."