NOTE

I. A.F.G. KERR (1877–1942), a biography.

Dr. *A.F.G. Kerr* is well remembered by a few living members of the Siam Society, his contemporaries, colleagues, and students of Thai Botany. As a member of the Siam Society, he was very active, and at various times was a member of the Council, leader of the Natural History Section, and editor of the Natural History Bulletin, the then Natural History Supplement to the Journal.

In the article " Reliquiae Kerrianae " in Blumea, XI, 1962, p. 427-493, Mr. *M. Jacobs* of Leiden gives a full account of the life and work of this illustrious botanist, which is indeed very appropriate and will be heartily welcomed by students of Thai Botany. The article also contains some information about Dr. *Kerr*'s contemporaries, who were evidently inspired to make botanical collections.

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II. The Waders (Limicolae) of Thailand.

The study of this group of Thai birds has been published in 1949, but it came to our notice when a copy was kindly sent by Mr. *Palle Johnsen* of Aarhus.

The text is in Danish, for which reason explains its limited circulation in Thailand. How-so-ever an English summary has been given, from which a gleaning has been made to be presented to this bulletin.

The work is entitled " Siams Vadefugle ", a result of the study of Mr. *A. Joergensen* of Copenhagen, and was published into four parts in the Dansk Ornithologisk Forenings Tidsskrift 43, p, 60–80, p. 150–162, p. 216–237, and p. 261–279, 1949.

The study is based on the collection of 591 specimens representing 5 families, 26 genera, and 43 species, largely collected from different localities by the late Mr. *C.J. Aagaard*, the former Director–General of the Thai Royal Irrigation Department with a small collection made by Mr. *R. Havmoeller* from Songkhla.

In Mr. *Aagaard*'s time along the estuaries of the rivers were abounded with these birds, at present the depleting number has been alarmingly felt, due to the fast development of the countryside, and the modern fire arms.

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