Mr. Sennett found *P. botterii* in some numbers on a salt prairie about nine miles from Fort Brown; but he obtained specimens with difficulty, owing to their hiding so closely in the tall grass. He describes its notes as quite pleasing. A nest found on 16th June was placed among the roots of a tussock of grass, and was made of blades and stems of grass; this nest was rather deep, but too frail to admit of removal. The four eggs it contained were unpotted white, with a strong tinge of greenish blue. They thus differ from the eggs of *P. aestivalis*, which are of a crystalline white.

2. *Peucæa cassini*.


Supra fusco-brunnea, plumis undique cinerascente marginatis, supercilii indistincte albidis ad nares albicantioribus; fascia postoculari indistincte fusca; subitus albidus, pectorore vix fusco lavato; hypochondriis fuscoscenti hie illic striatis, crissio pallide cervino, canpterio alari flavido; rostro corneo, culmine fuscoscente, pedibus flavidos. Long. tota 5-8, alae 2-6, caudae 2-6, rostri a rictu 0-5, tarsi 0-75. (Deser. exempl. ex Arizona. Mus. nostr.)

_Hab._ NORTH AMERICA, Western Texas\(^1\), Rio Grande valley\(^2\)\(^3\)\(^4\)\(^5\).—MEXICO?

It is questionable if this Finch should be included in the Mexican fauna. It is true Sumichrast says that it occurs in the temperate region of the valley of Orizaba in the State of Vera Cruz, but we agree with the authors of the ‘History of North-American Birds’ in thinking that the species referred to was most probably not *P. cassini* but *P. botterii*. Then, again, the specimen obtained by Kennerly at Los Nogales, in Sonora, and referred by Prof. Baird to *P. cassini*, now proves to belong rather to *P. botterii*, and is the *P. aestivalis arizonae* of American authors. The claims therefore of *P. cassini* to be inserted in this fauna are hardly established, though we have no doubt whatever that it will be found on the south side of the Rio Grande valley, occurring as it does commonly in Texas, and is also found close to our frontier in Arizona. It is to be noted also that Mr. Sennett says that this bird arrives in Texas, doubtless from the south, in March. The same traveller describes its nest as placed at the foot of a bush close to the ground, and composed of dried grasses lined with finer ones and a few hairs. The eggs are pure white.

b. _Sp. striga utrinque rictali nigra, canpterio albo._

3. *Peucæa boucardi*.

