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A NEW SPECTACLED OWL FROM BOLIVIA.

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Certain specimens of *Pulsatrix perspicillata* (Latham) from Bolivia and Argentina are so different from the typical form that they have sometimes been wrongly called *Pulsatrix pulsatrix* (Wied.). They are not related to the latter species and differ from all described races of the former. I therefore characterize them as a new race.

*Pulsatrix perspicillata boliviana*, subsp. nov.

*Subspecific characters.*—Nearest to *Pulsatrix perspicillata chapmani* Griscom, but brownish black instead of sooty black on the upper parts, particularly the sides of the face; underparts posterior to the breast band of a lighter tawny buff instead of a deep rich buff; body feathers averaging 10 mm. longer; feathers of the flanks in the female 150–160 mm. long, instead of 130–145 mm.; culmen, from cere, shorter, less than 28 mm.

*Type.*—Adult female, U. S. Nat. Mus. No. 264,558, Carapari, southern Bolivia, alt. 1,000 m., September, 1924, collected by E. Budin, original No. 24.

*Measurements of type.*—Wing, 366; tail, 205; culmen, without cere, 26 mm.

*Range.*—Southern Bolivia and northern Argentina.

*Remarks.*—This race shows the above differences very well when compared with specimens from the vicinity of Permé, Darien, in eastern Panama (the type locality of *Pulsatrix p. chapmani*), and from Colombia. Specimens from Ecuador are intermediate. I have examined three specimens of *Pulsatrix p. boliviana* and *Pulsatrix p. chapmani*.