

swamp that has been drained. After the water has been put on this land, an immense Heronry will be started, so that the different Herons of the State, particularly the Egrets, may build their nests and raise their young in normal surroundings. Other innovations will be put in to attract water and insectivorous birds.—*The Christian Science Monitor*.

Camera Craft Notes.

MR. H. Gundersen, formerly Norwegian Consul, Melbourne, sends an excellent "snap" of the Lesser (or, rather, Least) Frigate-Bird (*Fregata ariel*, Gould), on a banana plant. The photo. was taken by Mr. Clyde F. Ellis, at Tahiti, Society Islands—probably about the eastern range of the species. The bird appears to be in immature plumage.—A. J. CAMPBELL.

Stray Feathers.

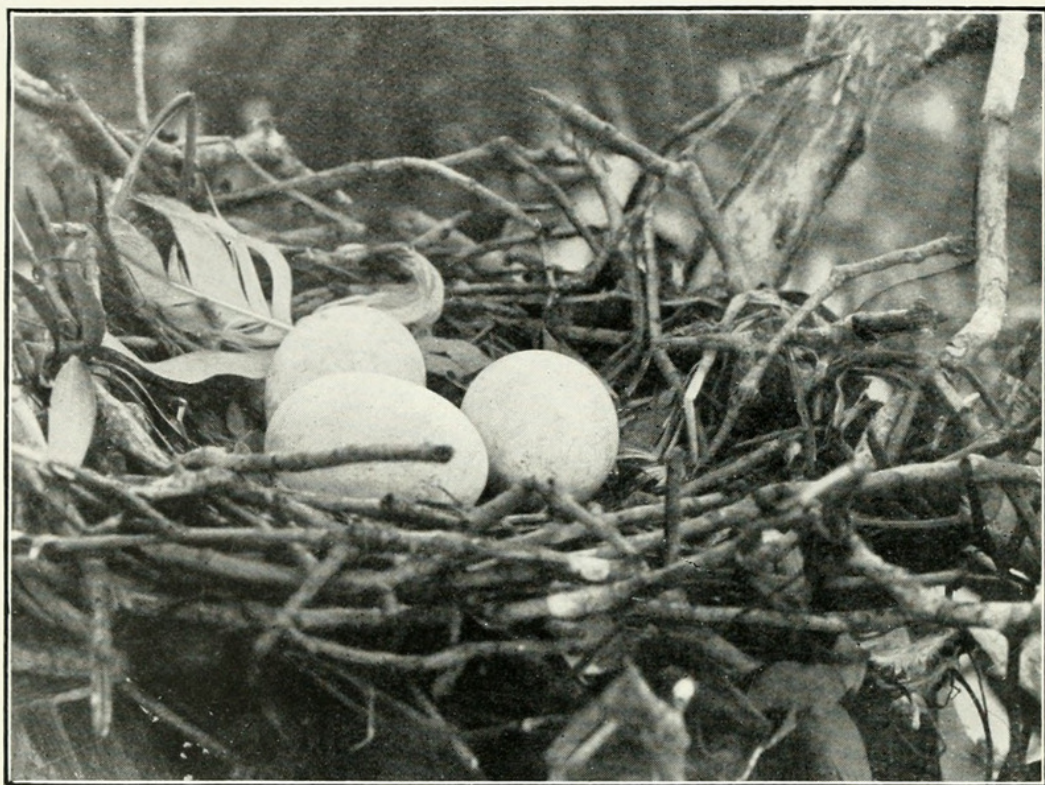
Foxes and Plovers.—Mr. W. M. Brenan, Forestry Department, Moree, N.S.W., states that the fox has practically killed out the Stone-Curlew and Spurwing Plover in his district; also, Magpies occasionally pick up the baits set for foxes, and so themselves succumb. He found two of these birds dead from this cause lately. He notices that many of our insectivorous birds are slowly but surely disappearing.

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Queensland Bird Protection.—We are glad to notice that the Queensland Government has placed the Grass (*Psephotus*) and Ground (*Euphema*) Parrots, under the *Native Birds Protection Act* 1877-1884, amongst the birds for which total protection is provided. This has been done at the instance of one of the Queensland members of our Council, Mr. A. H. Chisholm, Brisbane. Also that Peel Island, in Moreton Bay, has been proclaimed a "bird reserve." Mr Chisholm has lately been appointed an honorary ranger for the preservation of native Queensland birds.

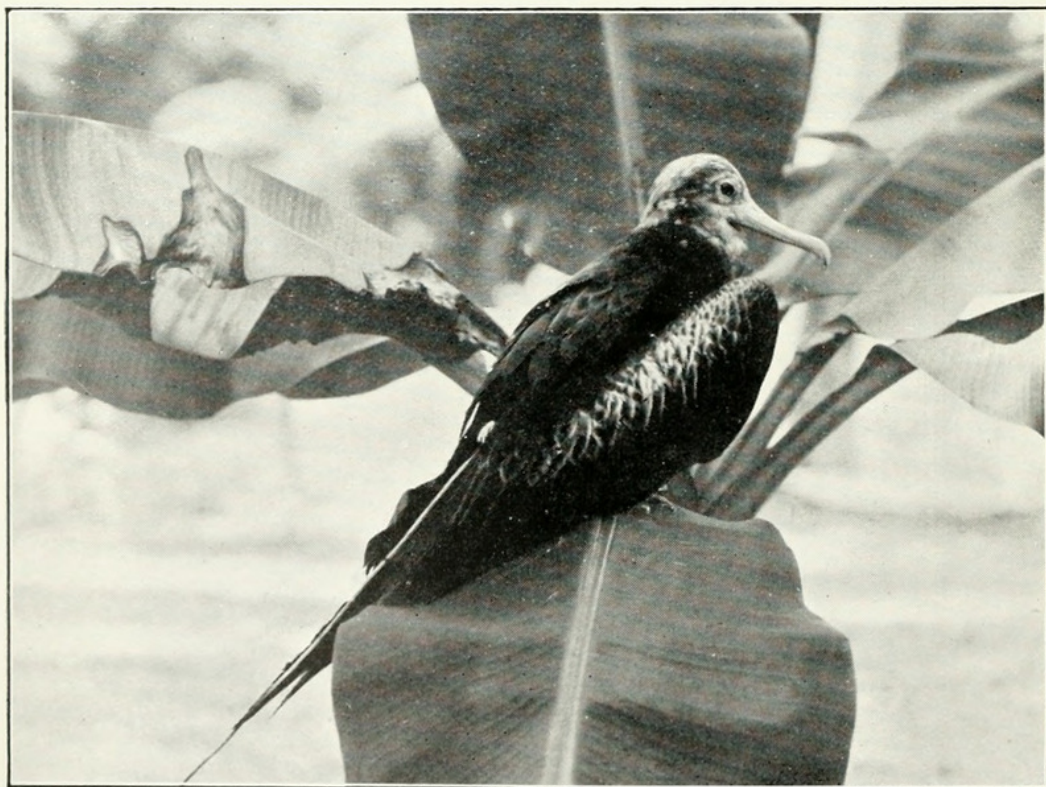
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Trinomials.—Arising out of the din of the battle, binomials *v.* trinomials, one sometimes hears that the latter are an innovation of modern times, and quite unnecessary. But once again Tasmania can claim to lead the world. According to Dr. Milligan's "Vocabulary," the tribes of the north and north-western coasts of Tasmania over a century ago commonly spoke of the Bald-Coot as "*Lugoileah mungoinah leah*." And yet the early settlers claimed that the Tasmanian blacks were an uncivilized race, and wiped them off the face of the map!—CLIVE E. LORD, R.A.O.U. Hobart, 20/8/18.



Nest and Eggs of Yellow-billed Spoonbill (*Platibis flavipes*).
See *Emu* for description, vol. xviii., p. 46, and Plate XI.

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The Lesser Frigate-Bird (*Fregata ariel*).

PHOTO. BY CLYDE F. ELLIS.



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