

CORVUS LATIROSTRIS, Meyer.

Corvus validissimus, Sclat. (nec Schlegel), P. Z. S. 1883, pp. 21, 200; Forbes, P. Z. S. 1884, p. 433, n. 43.

Corvus latirostris, Meyer, Zeitschr. f. d. ges. Orn. 1884, p. 199.

One typical specimen.

I have already expressed my doubts ('Ibis,' 1884, p. 355) as to the Crow from Timor-Laut being *C. validissimus*, Schlegel. And after having seen the specimen sent me by Dr. Meyer, I fully agree with him that it has nothing whatever to do with that species, and that it is a peculiar one, allied to *C. orru*, but with a much wider lobe at the base of the bill.

PTILOPUS FLAVO-VIRESCENS, Meyer.

Ptilopus xanthogaster, Sclat. (nec Wagler), P. Z. S. 1883, pp. 51, 195, 200; Forbes, P. Z. S. 1884, pp. 430, 433, n. 47.

Ptilopus flavovirescens, Meyer, op. cit. p. 50.

Four typical specimens, which are undoubtedly different from those from Ké Islands, Banka, and Koor, in having the neck and head more conspicuously greenish, the grey shield on the chest a little darker, and in some other minor points; but whether the differences are really specific I cannot decide. In my 'Ornitologia della Papuasia,' vol. iii. p. 6, I have already alluded to the differences, without considering them of specific value, shown by the specimens from Lettie and from Koor compared with those from Banda.

5. Description of a supposed new Species of Flycatcher, of the genus *Rhipidura*, from New Guinea. By E. P. RAMSAY, F.R.S.E., C.M.Z.S., F.L.S., &c.

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RHIPIDURA FALLAX, sp. nov.

Male. Whole of the upper and under surface black; concealed portions of the quills of the wings and tail slightly brownish; apical half of the under wing-coverts and of the axillaries silky white; bill, rictus, legs, and feet black. Total length 5·5 inches, wing 3, tail 3, tarsus 0·7, bill from forehead 0·6, from nostril 0·35, from gape 0·55.

Hab. Astrolabe Range of S.E. New Guinea.

Obs. In plumage *R. fallax* resembles Salvadori's description of *R. brachyrhyncha* of Schlegel, but there is no trace of white over the eye in the present bird.

The feathers on the *forehead* and *loreal* region are *erect* and the tips slightly glossy; a very slight metallic gloss on the head and chest. The bill is stout and strong, arched to the tip, where it is laterally compressed. On the whole this bird has the appearance of a miniature *Dicrurus*, and may have to be placed in a new genus.



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