

No.	Long. alæ.		Caud.		Rostr. a front.	Lat. rostr.	Long. tars.	
	in. lin.	in. lin.	in. lin.	in. lin.	lin.	lin.	lin.	
16.	...	3 6	...	2 4	6	4	11½	
17.	...	3 7	...	2 4	5	3½	11½	
29.	...	3 6	...	2 4	6	3¼	11	
32.	...	3 8	...	2 5	5	3½	11	
49.	...	3 6	...	2 4	6	3¼	11	
50.	...	3 5½	...	2 6	c. 6	3	10	
113.	...	3 3	...	2 2	5½	3	10	
	3	1-3 5	2	0-2 2	5½-6	...	9½-10	Fiji (4 specimens).
	3	2-3 7	2	0-2 6	6	...	10-11½	Upolu (5 „ ).
	3	6-3 9	2	3-2 5	6-6¼	...	10-12	Tonga (9 „ ).
	...	3 4	...	2 5	5½	...	9½	<i>Lalage terat.</i>

Among the specimens before me, Nos. 17, 32, and 49 (Fiji), are adult and fully coloured, which are very rare in collections, and give me a good opportunity of making a close comparison of them with Javan specimens of the true *Lalage terat* (Bodd.), with which the Central-Polynesian bird has hitherto been confounded. I have myself stated (J. f. Orn., 1872, p. 130) their undoubted identity; but having then seen only young and a few old specimens in bad condition, I was misled. The series before me seems to confirm the views of Mr G. R. Gray, who keeps the Polynesian bird separate.

The latter may be distinguished from *Lalage terat* by the grey or brownish-grey rump and upper tail-coverts being always barred by irregular but distinct cross-lines, the rump being of a uniform grey with faint darker traces in *Lalage terat*, by the black shaft-stripe on the white middle row of the upper wing-coverts, which is wanting in *Lalage terat*, and by the narrow brownish external margins of the primaries and first secondaries, which in the old *Lalage terat* are white. The latter besides shows a distinct greyish tinge on the breast and sides, whereas in *Lalage maculosa* the whole undersurface is pure white. The young bird, although much more like *Lalage terat*, may be distinguished by the much broader cross bands on the sides of the under-surface and on the rump.

The distribution of *Lalage maculosa* seems confined to the Central-Polynesian Islands, Fiji, Tonga, and the Navigators'.

##### 5. *Aplonis tabuensis*, Gm.

*Aplonis marginata*, Gould, Proc. Zool. Soc., 1836, p. 73.

*Aplonis tabuensis*, Finsch, Proc. Zool. Soc., 1877, p. 725.

No. 8. Tongatabu. Male.