Specimens from the Fijis and Tonga group look apparently somewhat larger than those from the Navigators'; but on comparing the series of measurements given, it will be easy to see that in respect of size no specific distinction can be made out. In coloration there is also no difference.

## B. BIRDS OF THE FIJI ISLANDS.

These birds were shot on the island of Matuka on July 24, 1874, on the island of Kandavu on July 25, and from August 3 to 6, 1874, and on the island of Levuka from July 28 to August 1, 1874. They are 82 in number and represent 25 species.

## 1. Astur rufitorques, Peale.

Nisus cruentus, Schleg. (nec Gould), Mus. P.-B. Astures, p. 40.

Astur cruentus, F. and H. (nec Gould), Ornith. Central-Polyn., pp. 3 and 273; Layard, Proc. Zool. Soc., 1875, p. 424.

Astur rufitorques, Sharpe, Cat. Brit. Mus., vol. i. p. 121; Finsch, Proc. Zool. Soc., 1877, p. 727. Nisus rufitorques, Schleg. Mus. P.-B. Accip., Revue, p. 80 (1873).

[No. 34. Matuka. Female. Eyes brown; several of these were seen, only two shot.

No. 35. Matuka. Female.

No. 36. ,, Male. Eyes yellow.

No. 62. Kandavu. Female. Eyes yellow; shot July 27.

No. 80. Kandavu. Female. Eyes yellow, cere yellow, legs yellow; the stomach contained a portion of a lizard. Shot August 5.]

No.	Long.	Caud.	Rostr. a cer.	Tare.	Dig. med.	
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35	8 6	6 2	8.	2 3	17	
36	7 3	5 2	7	1 11	13	
62	8 10	6 4	81	2 1	16	
80	8 9	5 10	9	2 1	16	
	8 9	6 2		2 1	16	2 Jun. Ovalau.
	7 3	5 0	7	2 0	131	& Viti-Lovu.
	8 2	. 6 0	8	2 1	15	& Tornate.
	10 2	8 0		•••		۶ "
	8 6	6 9	81	2 3	16	Jun. Halmahera