

| No. | Long. alae. | Caud. | Rostr. a front. | |
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| | 3 9 | 3 0 | 10½ | Ovalau. Type of <i>Ptilotis procerior</i> . |
| | 3 10 | 2 11 | 9½ | " |
| 74 | 3 5 | 2 8 | 10 | ♂ " (Levuka). Challenger. |
| 73 | 3 6 | 2 11 | 9 | ♂ " " " |
| | 3 10 | ... | 10 | ♂ Vatu Lela. Mus. Godeffr. |
| | 3 4 | 2 7 | 8½ | ♂ " " |
| | 3 8 | 2 11 | 8½ | ♂ Vanua Levu. " |
| | 3 3 | 2 7 | 8½ | Viti. " |
| | 3 1 | 2 6 | 7½ | ♀ Vanua Levu. " |
| | 2 10 | ... | c. 8 | ♀ Savu-savu. " |
| | 2 11 | ... | 8 | ♀ Viti. " |

Valuable notices on the habits of this species as observed by Mr Th. Kleinschmidt, are published in the Journ. Mus. Godeffr., Heft xii. p. 13, 1876.

12. *Ptilotis provocator*, Layard (Pl. XIII.).

Ptilotis provocator, Layard, Proc. Zool. Soc., 1875, p. 28; Finsch, Proc. Zool. Soc., 1877 p. 733.

Ptilotis xanthophrys, Finsch, Journ. Mus. Godeffr., Heft. xii. p. 5, 1876.

[No. 65. Kandavu. Male. Eyes brown. July 25. (Specimen figured, Pl. XIII. fig. 1.)

No. 66. " Female.

No. 67. " Male.

No. 68. " Male.

No. 83. " Male.

No. 84. " Female. (Specimen figured, Pl. XIII. fig. 2.)

Eyes brown; legs a greenish tinge; bill black. Stomach contained ants, spiders, grasshoppers.

No. 106. Kandavu. Female. Shot August 6.

No. 111. " Male. Eyes brown; bill black; legs a greenish tinge.]

The specimen which I described as *Ptilotis xanthophrys* was labelled "Navigators'"; but this was a mistake, as this bird, which must bear Mr Layard's previous name, is confined to the Fijis.

This is a well-marked, excellent species, always characterised by the yellow patch surrounding the eye, extending to the ear-region. Even the young bird (No. 84, see Pl. XIII. fig. 2) shows this character, but differs otherwise in being underneath strongly tinged with olive-yellow, showing no whitish shafts, which form such conspicuous striæ