

exploration of those islands, as Dr Finsch, who has lately visited the group, tells us that the native flora and fauna are fast perishing under the pressure of introduced species.¹

The collection made by the Naturalists of the Challenger Expedition contains examples of the following species:—

1. *Chasiempis sandvicensis*, Gm.

Sandwich flycatcher, Lath., Syn., vol. ii. p. 343, *unde*.

Muscicapa sandvicensis, Gm., S. N., vol. i. p. 945.

Chasiempis sandvicensis, Cab., Wiegmann, Arch., 1874, vol. i. p. 208; Sci., Proc. Zool. Soc., 1878, p. 346.

Cnipolegus, sp. 1238, Sci., Cat. A. B., p. 203; *vide* Proc. Zool. Soc., 1878, p. 555.

[No. 528. ♀. } Hilo, Owhyhee.
No. 529. ♀. }

Flycatcher: eyes black. Stomachs contained insects.]

2. *Phæornis obscura*, Gm.

Dusky flycatcher, Lath., Syn., vol. ii., p. 344, pt. 1, *unde*.

Muscicapa obscura, Gm., S. N., vol. i. p. 945.

Tamioptera obscura, Cassin, B. U. S. Expl. Exp., Atlas, pl. ix. fig. 3.

Phæornis obscura, Sci., Ibis, 1859, p. 327, et 1871, p. 360; Proc. Zool. Soc., 1878, p. 347.

[No. 534. ♂. }
No. 535. ♀. } Hilo, Owhyhee.
No. 536. ,, }
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Eyes brown; bill and feet black.]

3. *Mohoa nobilis*, Merr.

Gracula nobilis, Merrem, Av. Descr. et Ic., p. 8, pl. ii.

Mohoa nobilis, Cass., Pr. Ac. Sc. Phil., vol. vii. p. 440; Sci., Proc. Zool. Soc., 1878, p. 374.

Yellow-tufted bee-eater, Lath., Syn., vol. i. p. 683, *unde*.

Merops niger, Gm., S. N., vol. i. p. 465.

[No. 524. Male. Hilo. Eyes black. Stomach contained fruit and insects.]

4. *Psittirostra psittacea*, Gm.

Parrot-billed grosbeak, Lath., Syn., vol. ii. p. 108, pl. lxii, *unde*.

Loxia psittacea, Gm., S. N., vol. i. p. 844.

Psittirostra psittacea, Sw., Class B., vol. ii. p. 295; Sci., Proc. Zool. Soc., 1878, p. 347.

[No. 538. Male. } Hilo.
No. 545. Male. }

¹ See his Ornithological Letter from the Pacific, Ibis, 1880, p. 75.