12. Fulica alai, Peale.

Fulica alai, Peale, Zool. U. S. Expl. Exp., Birds, p. 224; Cassin, Mamm. & Orn. U. S. Expl. Exp., p. 306, Atlas, pl. xxxvi.; Scl., Broc. Zool. Soc., 1878, p. 351.

[No. 531. Male. Eyes red; bill flesh-coloured with a yellowish tinge; feet and legs pale slate colour.]

13. Totanus incanus, Gm.

Totanus incanus, Scl., Proc. Zool. Soc., 1878, p. 351.

[No. 532. Female. Eyes hazel; bill brown; legs yellow.]

VII.—On the Birds collected in Antarctic America. By P. L. SCLATER, M.A., Ph.D., F.R.S., and OSBERT SALVIN, M.A., F.R.S.

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In this Report the birds collected at the island of Juan Fernandez, at various points during the subsequent passage along the coast of Patagonia, and at the Falkland Islands are noticed.

The Challenger was at Juan Fernandez from the evening of the 13th to the evening of the 15th of November 1875, and reached the cost of Patagonia on the 31st December at Port Otway, east of Cape Tres Montes. On the 1st of January 1876 a party landed on Penguin Island in Messier's Channel, and the same evening the ship arrived in Cove Bay. On the 2d January parties were landed on Middle Island, on the 3d at Gray Harbour, on the 4th at Grappler Harbour, on the 5th and 6th at Tom Bay, near the Trinidad Passage, and small collections were made at each place. On the 8th of January the ship arrived at Porto Bueno, and remained there till the 10th. The same evening a party was landed at Isthmus Bay, and a few birds were obtained. From the 11th to the 13th the Challenger remained at Port Churrucha, and proceeded thence to Port Famine. From the 14th to the 17th she was at anchor off Sandy Point, whence she proceeded through the straits, and anchored about 10 A.M. on the 18th off Elizabeth Island. Leaving the Magellan Straits the Challenger arrived at Port Stanley, Falkland Islands, on the 23d of January 1876, and remained altogether about two weeks at the Falklands.

During this entire period 169 specimens of birds were collected, which are referable to 41 species.

The ornithology of this part of the world is well known to us' from the researches of

³ See Address on Geographical Zoology in Rep. Brit. Assoc., 1875, p. 105, and List of Papers on the Birds of Chili, Proc. Zool. Soc., 1867, p. 108.