

VIII.—*On the Birds collected on the Atlantic Islands and Kerguelen Island, and on the Miscellaneous Collections.* By P. L. SCLATER, M.A., F.R.S.

(Plates XXIII., XXIV.)

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In this chapter I propose to complete the land-birds by giving some account of the specimens obtained on the Tristan da Cunha group and Kerguelen Island, and of a few small collections made at various other localities which were touched at during the course of the Expedition. I have arranged all these, according to the dates at which the places were visited, as follows:—

	Date.	No. of Specimens.
A. St Iago, Cape Verd,	July 1873	4
B. Tristan da Cunha,	October 1873	12
C. Kerguelen Island,	January 1874	16
D. New Zealand,	June 1874	4
E. Hong Kong,	December 1874	7
F. Meangis Islands,	February 1875	3
G. At sea,	February 22, 1875	2
H. Humboldt Bay, New Guinea,	February 24, 1875	2
I. At sea,	April 7, 1875	5
J. Japan,	May 1875	4
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A. ST IAGO, CAPE VERD (July 1873).

Four examples of the peculiar King-hunter of this island, *Halcyon erythrogastra*, Temm. (Sharpe's Kingf., p. 171, pl. lxxiii.), were obtained here. In one specimen the eyes are marked "black," and the contents of the stomach "insects."

B. TRISTAN DA CUNHA GROUP.

This remote group consists of three islands—Tristan da Cunha, Nightingale and Inaccessible Islands, and a fourth smaller island, Gough Island, which lies 200 miles off to the south, but which, according to Mr Moseley, should be included. Many