

G. AT SEA (February 22, 1875).

Two examples of *Phalaropus hyperboreus* in winter plumage (Nos. 445, 446, both "females") were "shot by Mr Moseley on February 22, 1875, among the drift wood." Mr Murray "saw many the previous day."

This Phalarope is said to wander occasionally even as far south as the Arrou Islands.¹ The present examples were obtained the day before the ship arrived at Humboldt Bay, New Guinea.

H. HUMBOLDT BAY, NEW GUINEA (February 23, 1875).

At this most interesting locality only two birds, unfortunately, were obtained, namely :—

No. 447. *Trichoglossus cyanogrammus*, Wagl.

No. 448. *Arses insularis*, Meyer.

The first of these is a well-known Papuan species. Of the second (shot by Mr Murray under the circumstances mentioned in Lord George Campbell's Log-letters, p. 253) the only specimens yet known were obtained by Dr A. B. Meyer on the island of Jobi.² Its occurrence on the mainland is, therefore, of much interest.

Mr Murray notes of this specimen :—"Male. Eyes brown ; ring round the eye large and of a delicate sky-blue ; bill and legs of a darker blue or violet.

"I landed in Humboldt Bay from the pinnacle in a native canoe ; and with some of the natives went a short way into the woods. Was not much over half an hour on shore. It was then that I shot the above two birds. I saw a Tern and a small Swift, also some Cockatoos, but all out of shot. I fired at another small bird, but did not get it. I also saw three Goura Pigeons, very fine large ones, and after a time got a shot at one, but did not bring it down. I should have had several more birds, but had to return to the boat on the signal."

I. AT SEA (April 7, 1875).

Four days before arriving at Yokohama, and nearly due south of that port, five specimens of *Hirundo gutturalis*, the eastern form of our familiar *Hirundo rustica*, were "caught round the ship. They were apparently in an exhausted state."

J. JAPAN (May 1875).

In Japan four specimens of birds were obtained—an example of *Buteo japonicus*, Bp.,

¹ Cf. Dresser, B. Europe.

² *Monarcha insularis*, Meyer, Sitz. Ak. Wien, vol. lxi. p. 305.