

Accipiter hiogaster dampieri (Gurn.).

Cf. *Nov. Zool.* 1914, p. 288.

♂ juv., 29.ii.1924. " Iris brown. Bill black. Feet lemon yellow." Cere in skin bright yellow !

This specimen is underneath whitish cream with spots, longitudinal, arrow-shaped, and a few cross-marks of rufous. If this differs from our other juv. *dampieri*, which are (except a Manus specimen, which has also hardly any cross-bars and not many other markings on the underside) regularly cross-barred. Unless it is a totally different species it can only be *dampieri* juv.

(*A. brachyurus* from New Britain is a subspecies of *A. rubricollis* !)

Baza subcristata bismarekii Sharpe.

Cf. *Nov. Zool.* 1924, p. 200.

♂ ad., 24.xii.1923. Wing 318 mm.

Haliastur indus girrenera (Vieill.).

♂ med., 4.iii.1924.

Ninox variegata variegata (Quoy et Gaim.).

Cf. *Nov. Zool.* 1924, p. 200.

6 ♂♀ ad., December, February, March.

A male from December 7 has still some juvenile wing-coverts and moulting primaries ; some of the others show a little moult on the body plumage.

" *Noctua variegata* " was described from Carteret Harbour in southern New Ireland, and is said to occur on New Britain. In *Nov. Zool.* 1924, p. 200, and in Webster's *New Guinea*, p. 374, I have quoted specimens from New Hanover as *N. variegata*. Having now been able to compare them with almost topotypical New Ireland ones, I find that they differ slightly in being larger. The wings of our 4 New Hanover skins measure 211, 215, 215, and 224 mm., those of our 6 New Ireland ones 192, 199, 206, 208, 210, 210 mm. Bill in New Hanover larger, thicker, in the largest from nostril to tip 18 mm., in the largest billed New Ireland birds 17, but mostly much smaller. I am therefore afraid we must separate the New Hanover bird, and I propose to call it

Ninox variegata superior subsp. nov.

Type : ad., New Hanover, 21.ii.1897. Cayley Webster coll., No. 435.

There seems to be no constant colour difference, though none of our New Ireland birds are as light as two out of the four New Hanover ones. Probably females are larger than males, but the "sexing" of some of our birds is perhaps wrong.

Domicella albidinucha R. & H. (Plate I.)

Domicella albidinucha Rothschild and Hartert, *Bull. B.O. Club*, xlv, p. 7 (1924—"Hillson, S.W. coast of New Ireland").

This fine and interesting new Parrot was apparently not rare on the hills in south-western New Ireland, as Mr. Eichhorn collected ten specimens from