

Cape specimens. From *N. cafra denhami* it is distinguished by having the rufous hind-neck considerably darker, black lores instead of whitish, and a longer superciliary streak. In the rest of the colouring the East African race resembles *N. c. denhami* as it does approximately in size, though averaging slightly smaller (10 examples examined).

*Type* in the British Museum: ♂ adult, Amala River, Kenya Colony. Collectors W. P. Lowe and J. P. Cozens, Oct. 16, 1912. Reg. No. 1916.12.1.2.

Dr. Hartert and Mr. Goodson have been good enough to examine additional material in Lord Rothschild's Museum—one skin of *N. cafra cafra*, five of *N. c. denhami*, seven of *N. c. jacksoni*—and confirm that three races are recognizable.

In all races of *N. cafra* the females may be recognized by the freckling on the breast; this is also apparent in immature birds, but whether young males have freckled breasts like the females I have been unable to determine for lack of specimens. Certain examples in the British Museum collection have undoubtedly had the sex wrongly determined by the collector, which has led to confusion between the sexes. The three races may be picked out with ease by the depth of rufous on the hind-neck, the other characters given being subsidiary.

Mr. GREGORY M. MATHEWS sent the following:—

**Broderipornis**, new generic name for *Broderipus* Bonaparte (1854), not *Broderipia* J. E. Gray (1847). Type *Oriolus chinensis* Linné.

Dr. E. STRESEMANN sent the following description:—

***Ninox novæseelandiæ remigialis*, subsp. nov.**

Most nearly allied to *N. n. ocellata* (Bp.) = *miata* Math., especially to specimens from Letti, Moa, and Romah Islands, but distinguished by having the barring of the primaries and secondaries much less pronounced; on the latter the barring is reduced to white spots on the basal half of the feathers (inner web only). Rectrices with rather faint

whitish cross-bars on the inner web. Colour of back earthy-brown, less pronounced than in nearly all specimens from Letti etc. Reddish-brown stripes of breast not contracted or broadened, as is the case in various races of *N. ocellata*. Size as in *ocellata* from Letti etc.

*Type* in the British Museum, ♀, changing from juvenile to first year's plumage, Kei Islands, July 1909, W. Stalker leg. No. 73. Reg. No. 1910.12.28.96. Wing 221, tail 130 mm. Iris light yellow.

One specimen only examined.

No species of *Ninox* had hitherto been recorded from the Kei Islands.

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#### NOTICES.

The next Meeting of the Club will be held on Wednesday, April 9, 1930, at PAGANI'S RESTAURANT, 42-48 Great Portland Street, W. 1. The Dinner at 7 p.m.

A Lecture will be given by Mr. V. C. Wynne Edwards on "An Ecological Study of Birds in Devon."

Members intending to dine are requested to inform the Hon. Secretary, C. W. Mackworth-Praed, 51 Onslow Gardens, London, S.W. 7.

Members who intend to make any communication at the next Meeting of the Club are requested to give notice beforehand to the Editor, Mr. N. B. Kinnear, at the Natural History Museum, South Kensington, S.W. 7, and to give him their MSS. for publication in the 'Bulletin,' not later than at the Meeting.