



A Manual of the Birds of Australia, Vol. 1: Orders Casuarii to Columbae (Classic Reprint)

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Forgotten Books, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Excerpt from A Manual of the Birds of Australia, Vol. 1: Orders Casuarii to Columbae We have attempted to provide a handy reference to the known facts concerning Australian birds for the use of students, and to this end have given a complete primary synonymy, with reference to the coloured plates furnished in Gould s and Mathews s Birds of Australia, the standard works on the subject. The present work is entirely based upon Mathews s work, in which will be found complete accounts, as far as recorded, of the life-histories and economics, with full discussion of all nomenclatural problems, dissertations on the phylogeny of the groups and detailed synonymy. Any item not fully understood in the present essay will be found elaborately explained in that place. We have extracted the detailed descriptions of the plumages from the same work, but have supplemented them whenever opportunity has been afforded by the receipt of new material, and have made reference to literature recently published for additional matter. With regard to the description of nests and eggs we have...



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