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The crimson blossoms of a small spreading tree, common in the woods, are quite attractive to this species.

Basal half of mandible Naples yellow; feet flesh-colored.

182. *Lampornis prevosti* (Less.).

Taken at Los Sábalos and San Carlos. It was rather common at the latter place in trees which bore trumpet-shaped carmine flowers.

183. *Florisuga mellivora* (Linn.).

A pair obtained in a cacao plantation on the San Juan, near Greytown. It was rather common there.

184. *Amazilia fuscicaudata* (Fras.).

Very abundant at all places visited, far outnumbering the other Hummingbirds. This species is confined to clearings, and does not occur in the forest. On the Escondido it haunts the banana plantations, where it is attracted by the large purple flowers of the banana plants. The note is almost identical with the "tuck" of the Junco (*Junco hyemalis*).

Bill brownish carmine, except tip, which is black.

185. *Polyerata amabilis* (Gould).

Rather uncommon. Observed on both rivers. It is usually found in clearings and plantations, but occasionally in open woods. I once shot a specimen as it hovered before some flowers, on the opposite side of a small creek. It fell into the water, and almost immediately a green lizard ran to it, brought it out, and, after shaking it, deposited it on the moss, with which the ground was covered. The lizard then assumed a ludicrous position and contemplated the victim, which was still alive, and would probably have devoured it had I not shot it also, thus securing two specimens instead of one. Mr. Mitchell one day had his attention called to an Iguana in a tree near the house by the cries of a small bird, which the reptile had caught. The large lizards and Iguanas probably catch small birds for food whenever the opportunity offers.

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186. *Crotophaga sulcirostris* Sw.

Abundant in plantations and clearings. Seems to be gregarious all the year round. The stomachs of many of those I examined contained grasshoppers, with which they often gorge themselves.

187. *Piaya cayana mehleri* (Bonap.).

Common. This species has a habit of running along the limbs, which gives it a close resemblance to a squirrel. It is indifferent as to choice of surroundings, being found in trees in clearings or in the forest, sometimes only a few feet from the ground, and again in the high trees.