

MACHÆRIRHYNCHUS ALBIFRONS, G. R. Gray.

White-fronted Flycatcher.

Machærirhynchus albifrons, G. R. Gray, Proc. Zool. Soc. 1861, p. 429.

"THIS bird," says Mr. G. R. Gray, "is, in many respects, like the *M. xanthogenys*; but it is at once distinguished from that species by the front and streak over the eyes being white, and by the bill being rather narrower and slightly sharper in front.

"The young bird is of a yellowish olivaceous, with the front and eyebrows pale rufous; throat and breast white; the latter is waved with fuscous; beneath the rest of the body yellow, and olivaceous on the sides; wings and tail fuscous, with the coverts of the former margined with white, while the quills are margined with yellow."

In size and general appearance this species approaches the Australian bird to which I have given the name of *flaviventer*; but on comparing the drawings of these two birds the most casual observer may discern the difference that exists between them. It will be necessary for me to state that my figures were taken from Mysol specimens collected by Mr. Wallace.

I have now figured in the present work three very distinct species of this singular group of Flycatchers; a fourth is said to exist in Mr. Gray's *M. xanthogenys*, a plate of which will appear when I get good Aru specimens for illustration.

Total length 4" 11", bill from gape 9½", wing 2" 4".

Hab. Waigiou and Mysol.