

blackish. In another variety at Tanna, the colour of the plumage is a reddish black; the feet are red, and the eye-brows and the breast white.

The *hooked-beak pigeon* is also found in the island of Tanna. Its length is about seven inches: it is green, and yellowish on the under part of the body; the back and the covert feathers of the wings are of a light cinnamon colour, and the wings have two yellow stripes. The intermediate quill feathers of the wings are green, and those of the sides are ash-coloured, with a black stripe. But what is remarkable in this bird is its sharp and curved beak; and the nature of its food must necessarily be accommodated to this peculiar conformation. Its colour is yellow, and red towards its basis. The tail is rounded. There is a variety which has the back and the shoulders green.