



A BIRD TROGLODYTE

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ILLUSTRATIONS BY THE AUTHOR

THE amateur "observer" is a much-cared-for individual. He is as providently looked after by the bookmakers as is the country store by the wholesale dealers; whatever be the direction in which either his taste or his situation incites, an *embarras de riches* of appliances are tendered him.

Scientific esotericism is as extinct as the Dodo, and there is a vigorous competition in the efforts to illuminate the tyro's course. What with coloured photographs, diagrams which are revelations, and directions which promise to indicate with the accuracy of a pointer the locality of any object

