



Fishes of the Phoenix and Samoan Islands: Collected in 1939 During the Expedition of the U. S. S. Bushnell (Classic Reprint) (Paperback)

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Forgotten Books, United States, 2016. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Excerpt from Fishes of the Phoenix and Samoan Islands: Collected in 1939 During the Expedition of the U. S. S. Bushnell We arrived on Swains Island, latitude S., longitude W., on May 3 and left again on May 10. The reef around the island is. 300 to 500 feet wide and nearly at, but it has a little elevation at the outer margin, which is deeply channeled so that the reef is well drained at low tide. The channels are 50 to 100 feet long. And the water coming through them spreads fanwise over the reef at low tide. Between the channels the reef is elevated a foot or more and deeply pitted with small holes that are occupied by live sea urchins, these varying from nearly white to dark purple. According to records kept by Mr. Jennings, owner of Swains Island, the present population is 154, consisting of 44 girls, 29 boys, 44 men, and 37 women. Much of the vegetation was introduced from the Samoan, Union, and Gilbert Islands. Because of adequate rainfall, Swains Island is a tropical paradise. The...



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