



# The Natural History of Ireland, Vol. 3 : Birds, Comprising the Order Natatores (Classic Reprint)

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Excerpt from The Natural History of Ireland, Vol. 3: Birds, Comprising the Order Natatores The author very much regrets that the list of Irish names of native birds is not yet ready (as he had hoped it would have been) the gentleman who has the catalogue in progress being unable to complete it in time. This volume cannot be allowed to go forth without the remark, that so great has been the mania for collecting birds eggs during the last few years - though not in one case out of ten, with any scientific object in view - that the author has often, in the course of preparation of the last two volumes, been obliged to pause and consider whether he should name particular breeding haunts of those grallatorial and natatorial birds whose nests being placed upon the ground, are easily discovered, lest he should be the innocent cause of their banishment from the locality. He feels well assured that if the rage for egg-collecting continues, many a species will be driven from its present haunt. About the Publisher Forgotten Books publishes hundreds of thousands of rare and classic books. Find more at [www.forgottenbooks.com](http://www.forgottenbooks.com) This book is a reproduction of an important historical work. Forgotten Books uses state-of-the-art technology to digitally reconstruct the work, preserving the original format whilst repairing imperfections present in the aged copy. In rare cases, an imperfection in the original, such as a blemish or missing page, may be replicated in our edition. We do, however, repair the vast majority of imperfections successfully any imperfections that remain are intentionally left to preserve the state of such historical works.

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