

DESCRIPTION OF A NEW SPECIES OF PHACELLODOMUS FROM
VENEZUELA.

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Phacellodomus inornatus, sp. nov.

SP. CHAR.—Similar in general appearance to *P. frontalis*, but lacking entirely any tinge of rufous on forehead; flanks and under tail-coverts more fulvous; culmen and commissure much more strongly curved, and lower mandible light colored; wing and tail shorter.

Adult male (type, No. 89794, Caracas, August 4; W. B. Gilbert): Above uniform plain grayish brown, becoming lighter and more tawny on rump; beneath dull buffy white medially, changing on sides to light brownish. the flanks, anal region, and lower tail-coverts light tawny brown or isabella-color; upper mandible dark brown, lower mandible yellowish; legs and feet light brownish. Length (skin), 5.60; wing, 2.50; tail, 2.50; exposed culmen, .58; tarsus, .80; middle toe, .60.

Count von Berlepsch, to whom the type specimen has been submitted, agrees with me that this is a very distinct species from *P. frontalis*, and says that he has similar specimens from the same country.