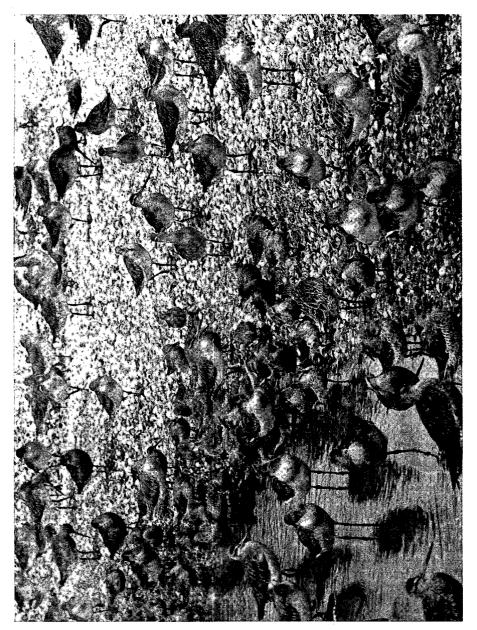


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XXIX For some years D. A. Urquhart has had a hide on one of the Karaka shellbanks in Manukau Harbour. It has been available to any bird-photographers who wished to use it and many fine studies of shore birds have been obtained. A typical view from the hide at full tide, showing part of a flock of Bar-tailed Godwits at the end of February.



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XXX Part of a mixed flock of Knots and Bar-tailed Godwits. In many of these birds the moult into red breeding dress is well advanced.



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XXXI Bar-tailed Godwit, not showing any sign of reddening at the end of February, probably a young male less than a year old. In non-breeding dress, males can be distinguished from females by their smaller size and markedly shorter beak.