Philip Henry Gosse, the well-known naturalist who was born in 1810, visited Bluefields in Westmoreland in 1844-46 and subsequently published "Birds of Jamaica" (1847 & 1849) and "A Naturalist's Sojourn in Jamaica" (1851), which still remain by far the best popular books on the natural history of the island. He died in 1888.

The coloured edition of "Birds of Jamaica" is very rare.