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ON FRONT COVER: Thirty-seven species of palms occur in New Caledonia. All are endemic and 13 are threatened. Of the threatened species, four are critically endangered, one is endangered and eight are vulnerable. An improvement of New Caledonia's reserve system is necessary to protect more of the threatened species. Habitat disturbance, particularly to semi-humid and dry forest has been the greatest threat to palm species. Basselinia dephanchei on Montagne des Sources at 900 m elevation.