

VIRO NOBILISSIMO
FREDERICO HOWARD,

COMITI DE CARLISLE,

NOBILISSIMI ORDINIS PERISCELIDIS EQUITI,

&c. &c. &c.

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SEPTIMUM HUNC,

NATURÆ VIVARII

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TO
THE RIGHT HONOURABLE
FREDERICK HOWARD,
EARL OF CARLISLE,

KNIGHT OF THE MOST NOBLE ORDER OF
THE GARTER,

&c. &c. &c.

THIS SEVENTH VOLUME

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IS

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EMBERIZA SCHOENICLUS.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Rostrum conicum.

Mandibulae basi deorsum a se invicem discedentes: inferiore lateribus inflexo-coarctata, superiore angustiore.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 308.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

EMBERIZA castaneo nigroque varia, capite nigro, collari albo.

EMBERIZA capite nigro, corpore griseo nigroque, rectricibus extimis macula alba cuneiformi.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 311.

PASSER TORQUATUS f. ARUNDINACEUS.

Raj. syn. p. 93. A. 3.

Juxta aquas, ut plurimum, versatur, et in arundinetis nidificat nido arundinibus affixo Emberiza Schoeniclus, in conspectum præcipue veniens æstivo tempore. Non raro etiam infidet sepibus, et more congenerum, feminibus vescitur.

THE
REED BUNTING.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Bill conical: Mandibles separating a little^s from the base downwards: the sides of each mandible bending rather inwards.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

EMBERIZA variegated with chestnut and black; with black head and white collar.

GREATER REED SPARROW.

Raii Syn. p. 93. A. 3.

Will. orn. p. 269.

Br. Zool. 1. p. 277.

This bird, which is by no means uncommon during the summer months, is most frequently to be found near waters, and in the neighbourhood of reeds, amongst which it fastens its nest. It is also often seen in hedges, and feeds, like the rest of its congeners, principally on seeds.



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MURÆNA MELEAGRIS.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Caput læve. *Nares* tubulofæ. *Oculi* cute communi tecti.

Corpus teretiusculum, lubricum. *Pinna* caudæ coadunata dorsali analique.

Spiracula pone caput vel pinnas pectorales.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS.

MURÆNA nigricans, maculis creberrimis albis irrorata.

Fusca est pene nigricans elegantissima hæc Muræna, maculis parvis albis rotundatisque creberrime guttata, quæ versus caput collumque non secernuntur æqualibus intervallis, sed confluunt magis quam in cæteris partibus. Longa conspicitur circa duos pedes, et in oceano australi innascitur.

THE
SPECKLED EEL.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Head smooth. *Nostrils* tubular.
Body serpentiform, smooth, mucous.
Dorsal, anal, and caudal fins united.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

BLACKISH EEL, very thickly speckled with
white.

This most elegant species is of a deep brown or blackish color, and is very thickly beset on all parts with innumerable small round spots of white; which towards the head and breast are somewhat less regular, or more confluent than on the other parts of the animal. It is found of the length of about two feet, and is a native of the southern ocean.



DORIS RADIATA.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Corpus repens, oblongum, subtus planum.

Os antice subtus.

Anus postice, supra cinctus ciliis.

Tentacula duo, supra corpus antice, intra foramina retractilia.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 1083.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

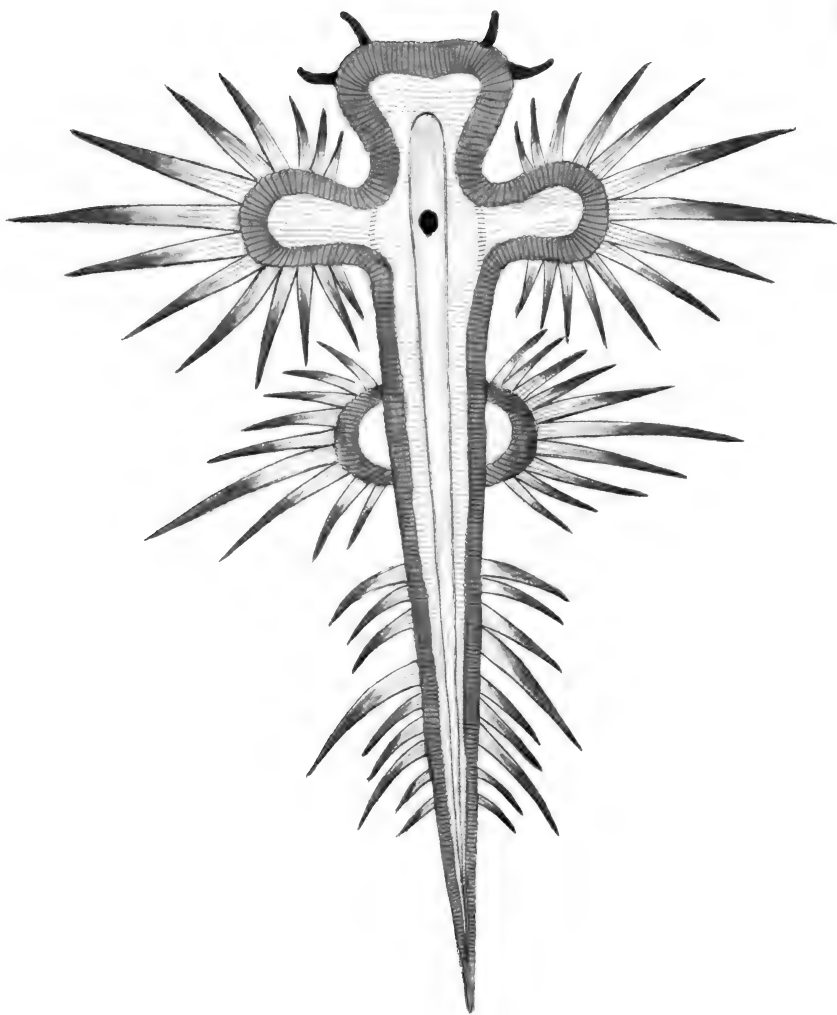
DORIS ex argenteo cærulea, subtus alba, papillis lateralibus fasciculato-radiatis.

DORIS RADIATA.

Lin. Syst. Nat. Gmel. p. 3105.

Ad quam familiam revera pertineat marinum hoc animal difficile est primo visu pro certo statuere; mira adeo ei et ambigua est facies. Generi tamen *Doris* conjunctius videtur quam alii alicui, in quo etiam ordinatur a Gmelinio, in auctiore sua editione Systematis Linnæani. Formæ singulari accedit color pulcherrimus, scilicet cæruleo-pallens argento quasi obductus, margine corporis et apicibus omnibus tentaculorum summopere cyaneis. Magna est

ei contractionis vis, unde fit ut ad libitum nunc magis, nunc minus, extensum videatur. Longitudo communis unciam paulo superat. Ostenditur animal in tabula paulo auctum microscopio, ut variæ partes dilucidius appareant. Ut solent pleraque hujus generis, vel innatat summo mari, vel prope superficiem. Conspicitur præcipue in oceano Indiæ occidentalis.



THE
RADIATED DORIS.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Body repent, oblong, flat beneath.

Mouth placed below, towards the anterior end.

Vent behind, surrounded by a fringe.

Tentacula two, seated on the upper part of the body in front, retractile.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

SILVER-BLUE DORIS, white beneath, with lateral extensile radiato-fasciculated papillæ.

DORIS RADIATA.

Lin. Syst. Nat. Gmel. p. 3105.

Phil. Transf. Vol. 53. p. 57. t. 3.

So very singular is the appearance of this curious marine animal, that at first view it is not easy to guess to what tribe of beings it should with the greatest propriety be referred. The genus, however, to which it seems most nearly allied, and in which it is placed in the enlarged edition of the *Systema Naturæ*, by Dr. Gmelin, is that of *Doris*. The

singularity of its form is equalled by the elegance of its color, which is a beautiful pale blue, with a gloss of silver, while the margin of the whole body, and the tips of all the processes with which it is beset are of the richest deep blue. It possesses a high degree of muscular power, and appears occasionally in various states of contraction and extension. Its general length is somewhat more than an inch, the figure being slightly magnified, in order to shew the several parts with a greater degree of distinctness. Like others of this genus it swims principally on or near the surface of the sea, and is chiefly found in the West-Indian ocean.

TROCHILUS FORFICATUS.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Rostrum subulato-filiforme, apice tubulato, capite longius: Mandibula superior vaginans inferiorem.

Lingua filiformis, filis duobus coalitis tubulosa.

Pedes ambulatorii.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 189.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

TROCHILUS curvirostris viridis, rectricibus lateralibus longissimis, pileo rectricibusque cæruleis.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 190.

MELLISUGA JAMAICENSIS, cauda bifurca.

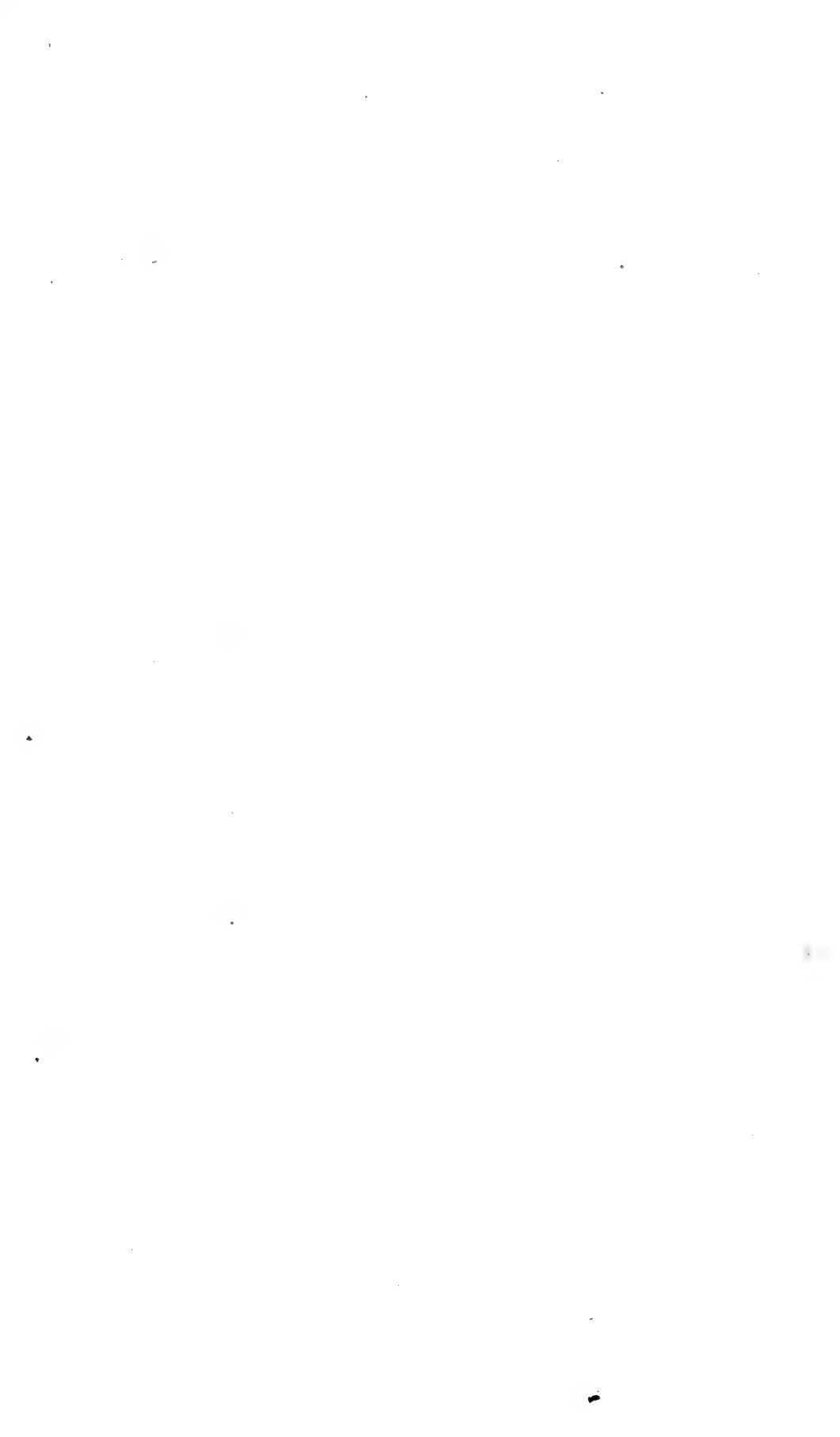
Briss. av. 3. p. 728. No. 18.

POLYTMUS MAJOR NIGRICANS, aureo varie splendens, pennis binis uropygii longissimis.

Brown. Jam. p. 475.

Formosissimæ hujus avis, orbem occiduum incolentis, in insula autem Jamaica præcipue repertæ,
B gemmeos

gemmeos fulgidosque colores (quibus etiam superbit fere totum genus) non satis ad vivum exprimere potest ars pictoria. Caudam admodum forficatam gerit hæc species, rectricibus validioribus quam sunt aliorum trochilorum.





THE
FORK-TAILED HUMMING-BIRD.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Bill slender, tubular, the upper mandible sheathing the lower.

Tongue very long, missile, formed of two conjoined cylindric tubes.

Toes three-forward, one backward.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

GREEN HUMMING-BIRD, with shining-blue forked tail; the exterior feathers extremely long; the top of the head blue.

The LONG-TAILED GREEN HUMMING-BIRD.

Edw. pl. 33.

OISEAU-MOUCHE à longue queue, or, vert et bleu.

Buff. ois. 6. p. 38.

This beautiful native of the Western hemisphere is principally found in the island of Jamaica, and,
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like most others of its genus, possesses a radiancy of color which is but ill expressed by the utmost efforts of art. It is principally distinguished as a species by the remarkable fork-shaped appearance of the tail, the feathers of which are stronger than in the rest of the Humming-Birds.

ECHINUS ESCULENTUS.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Corpus subrotundum, crusta ossæa tectum, spinis mobilibus sæpius aculeatum.

Os quinquevalve subtus.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 1102.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

ECHINUS subglobofus, spinis brevibus violaceis.

ECHINUS hemisphærico-globofus ambulacris denis, areis obsolete verrucosis.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 1102.

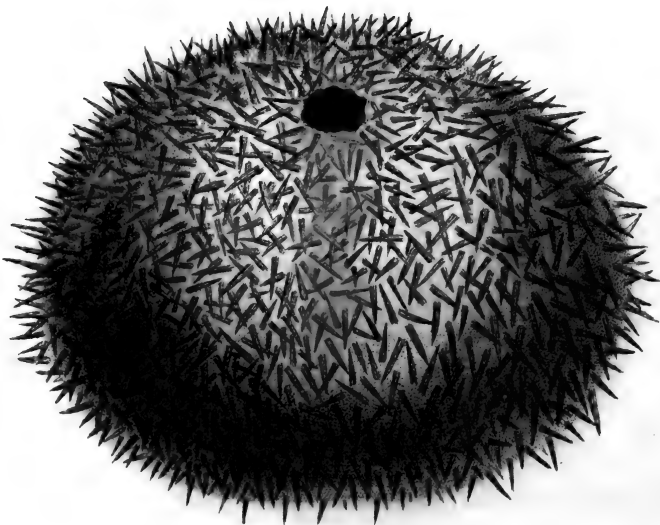
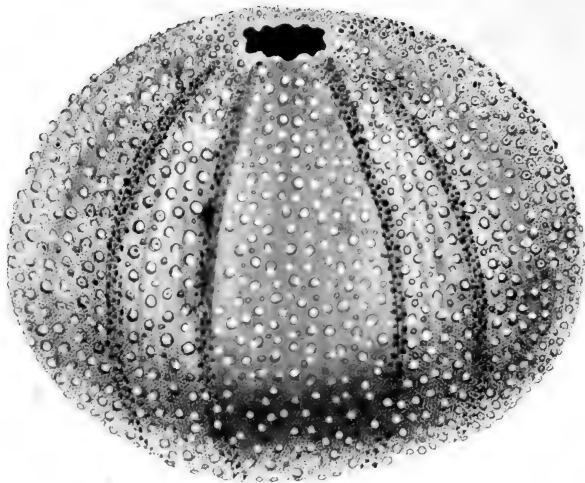
ECHINUS subglobofus, vertice plano.

Lin. Faun. Succ. 1. 1289.

ECHINOMETRA.

Aldr. aq. p. 405. 409.

Diversa admodum specierum est tum forma tum magnitudo quas complectitur echinorum marinarum numerosissimum genus. Reperiuntur aliquæ in litoribus nostratibus; plures autem exoticæ sunt. Illam repræsentavimus quæ specierum Britannicarum vulgatio est. Constat animal ipsum e molli substantia,



THE
ESCULENT ECHINUS.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Body covered with a futured crust, generally furnished with moveable spines.

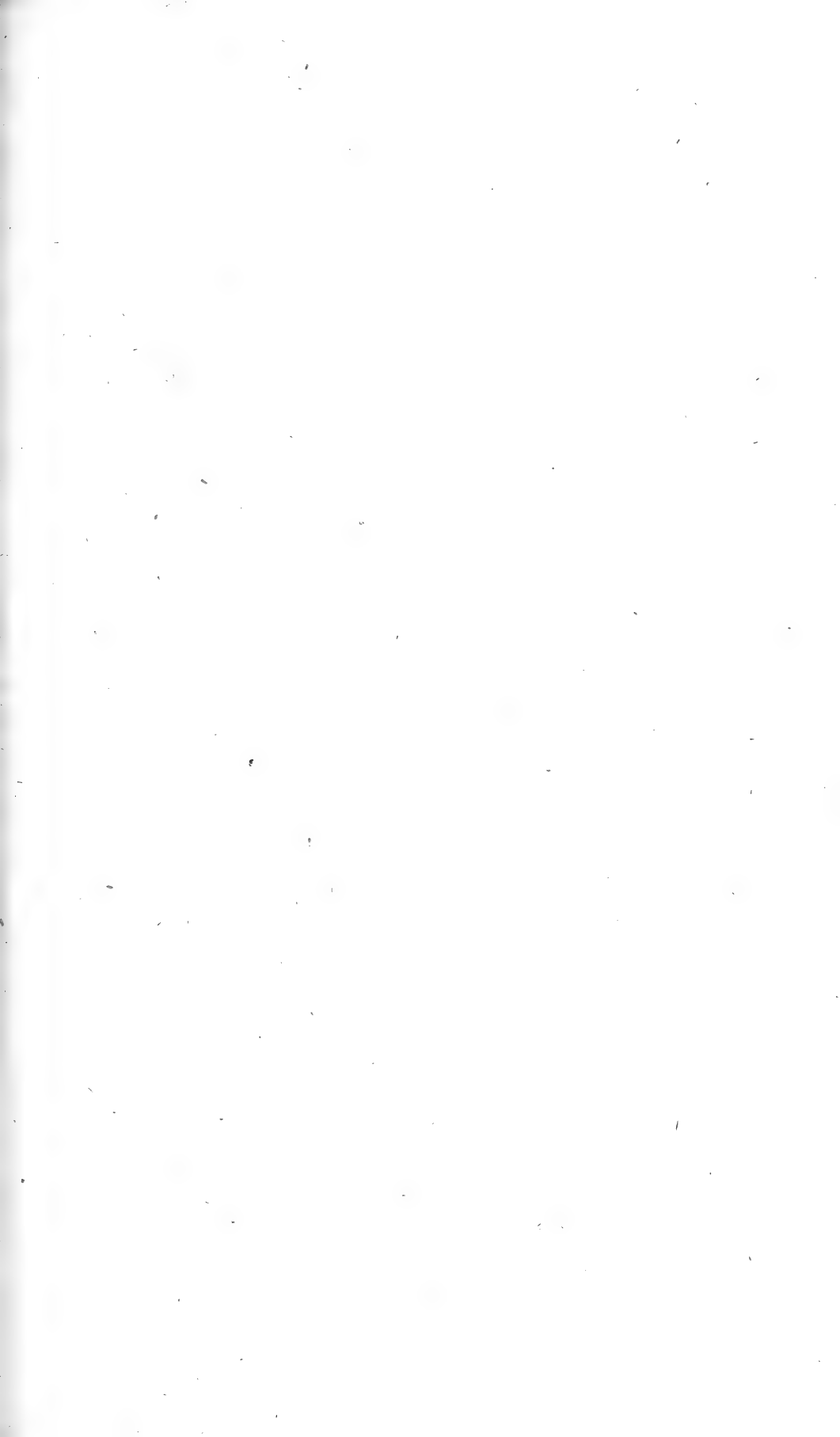
Mouth quinquevalve, placed beneath.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

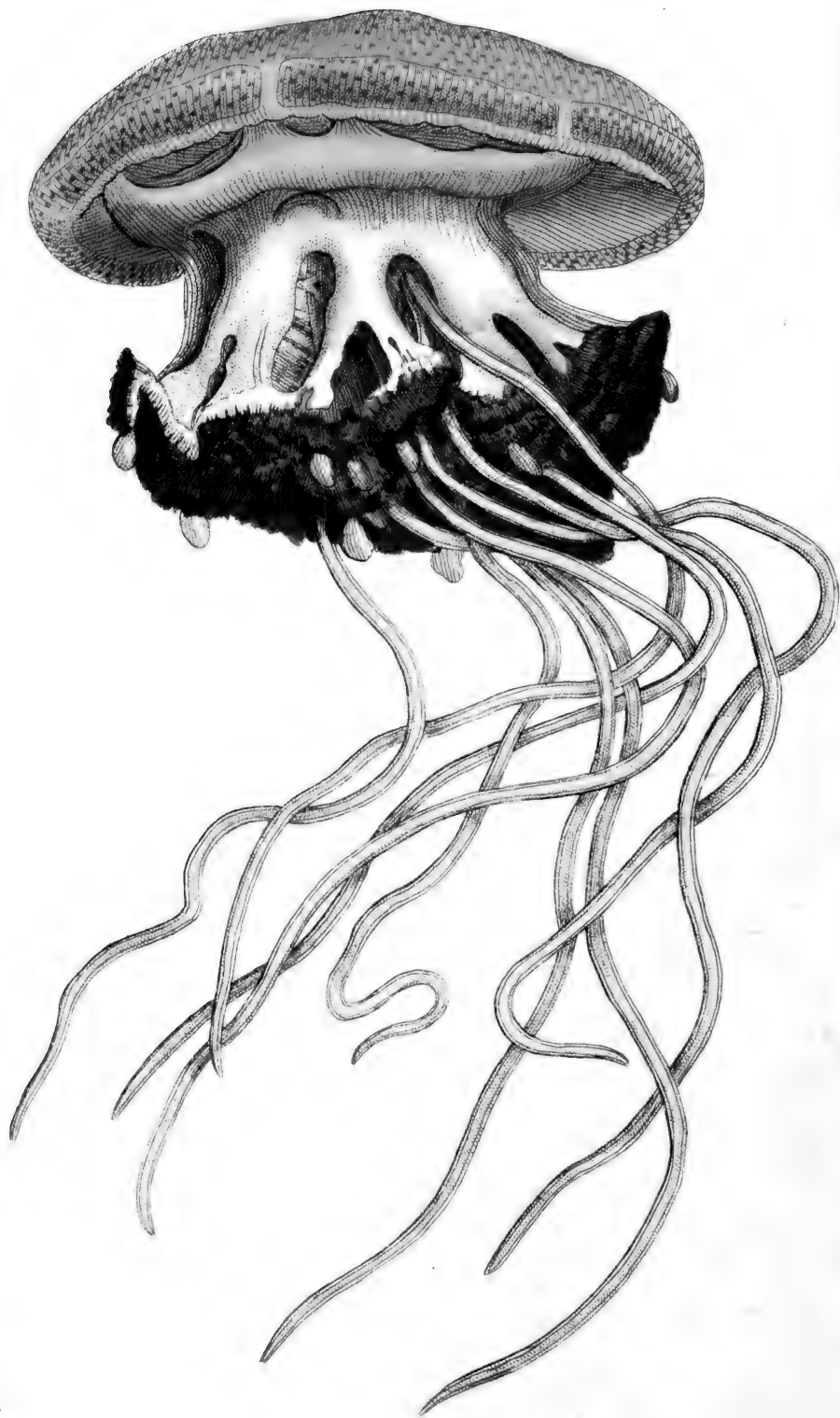
SUBGLOBOSE ECHINUS, with short violet-coloured spines.

The COMMON ECHINUS, or SEA-URCHIN.

The Echini, or Sea-Urchins, as they are sometimes called, form an extremely numerous genus, of which the species differ greatly from each other in point of shape and general appearance. Several are natives of our own country, but by far the major part are exotic animals. Of the British species the most common is that represented on the plate, which is very frequently found on many of our coasts. The animal is of a soft fabric, and the body is marked as it were into a certain number of parts or divisions, not ill resembling those of an orange: the mouth is situated at the lower or under part, and







MEDUSA CEPHEA.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Corpus gelatinosum, orbiculatum, depressum.

Os subtus, centrale.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 1096.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

MEDUSA hemisphærico-depressa fusco-rufescens,
subtus brachiis octo apice villosis, tentacu-
lisque novem filiformibus longissimis.

MEDUSA hemisphærica tuberculata fusco-rufes-
cens, margine crenato, brachiis subtus octo
lanatis.

Lin. Syst. Nat. Gmel. p. 3158.

Forsk. Fn. Aegypt. Arab. p. 108. n. 22.

Medusa Cephea, quæ inter majores numeratur, pellucida admodum est, et gelata, palletque fusco-rufescens, in nonnullis partibus obscurior et fere subcærulea. Circa litora maris rubri, non infrequens reperitur.

THE
CEPHEAN MEDUSA.



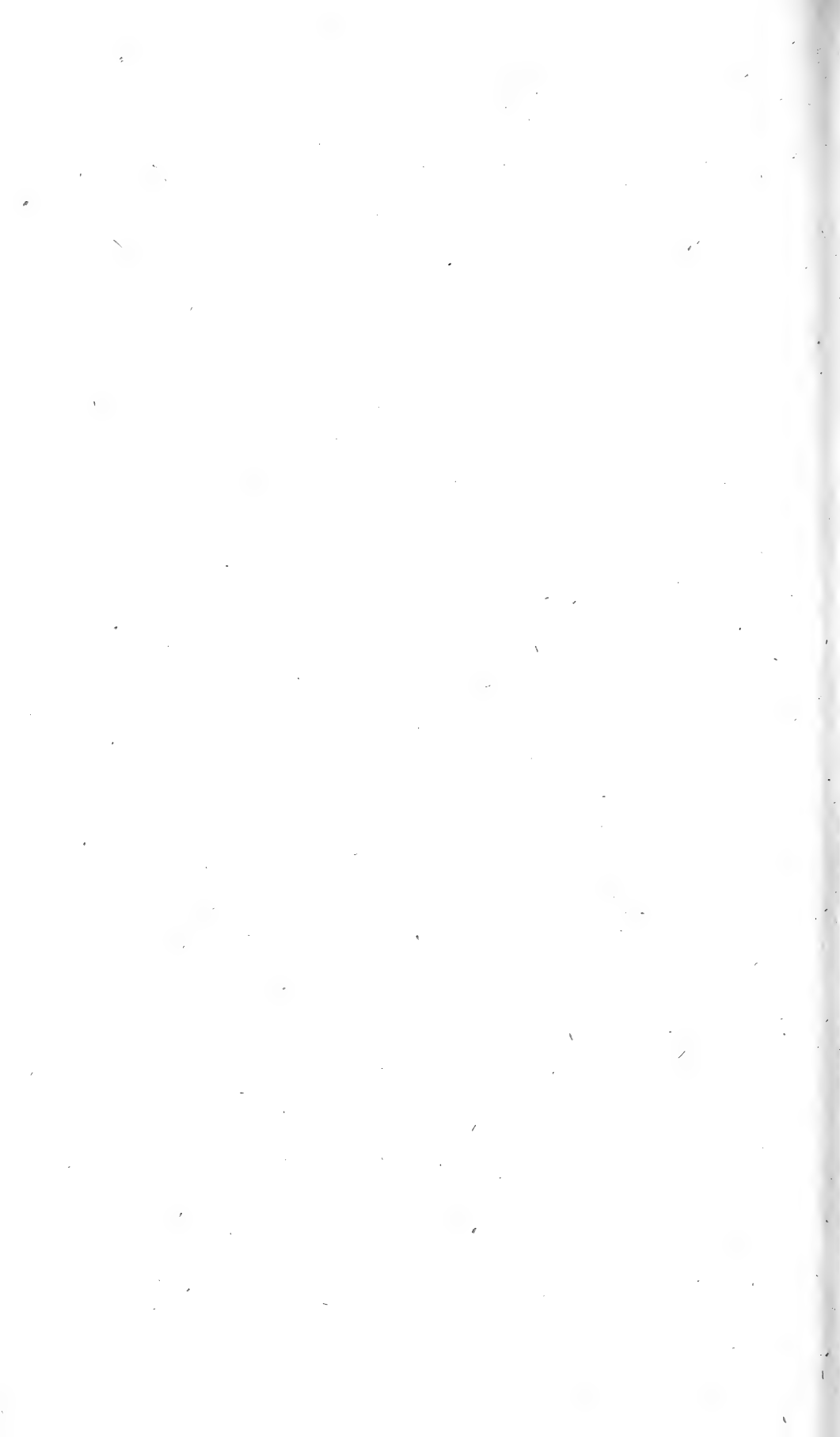
GENERIC CHARACTER.

Body gelatinous, orbicular, commonly depressed.
Mouth central, beneath.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

HEMISPHERIC-DEPRESSED REDDISH-BROWN MEDUSA; furnished with eight arms, villous at their extremities, and with nine very long filiform tentacula.

This is one of the larger Medusæ: it is extremely pellucid, of a gelatinous consistence, and of a pale reddish-brown color, tinged in some parts with a darker hue, approaching nearly to blueish. It is not uncommon towards the coasts of the Red Sea.



PICUS MINOR.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Rostrum polyedrum, rectum: apice cuneato.

Nares pennis fetaceis recumbentibus obtectæ.

Lingua teres, lumbriciformis, longissima, mucronata, apice retrorsum aculeata fetis.

Pedes scanforii.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 173.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

PICUS albo nigroque varius, vertice rubro, crisso testaceo.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 176.

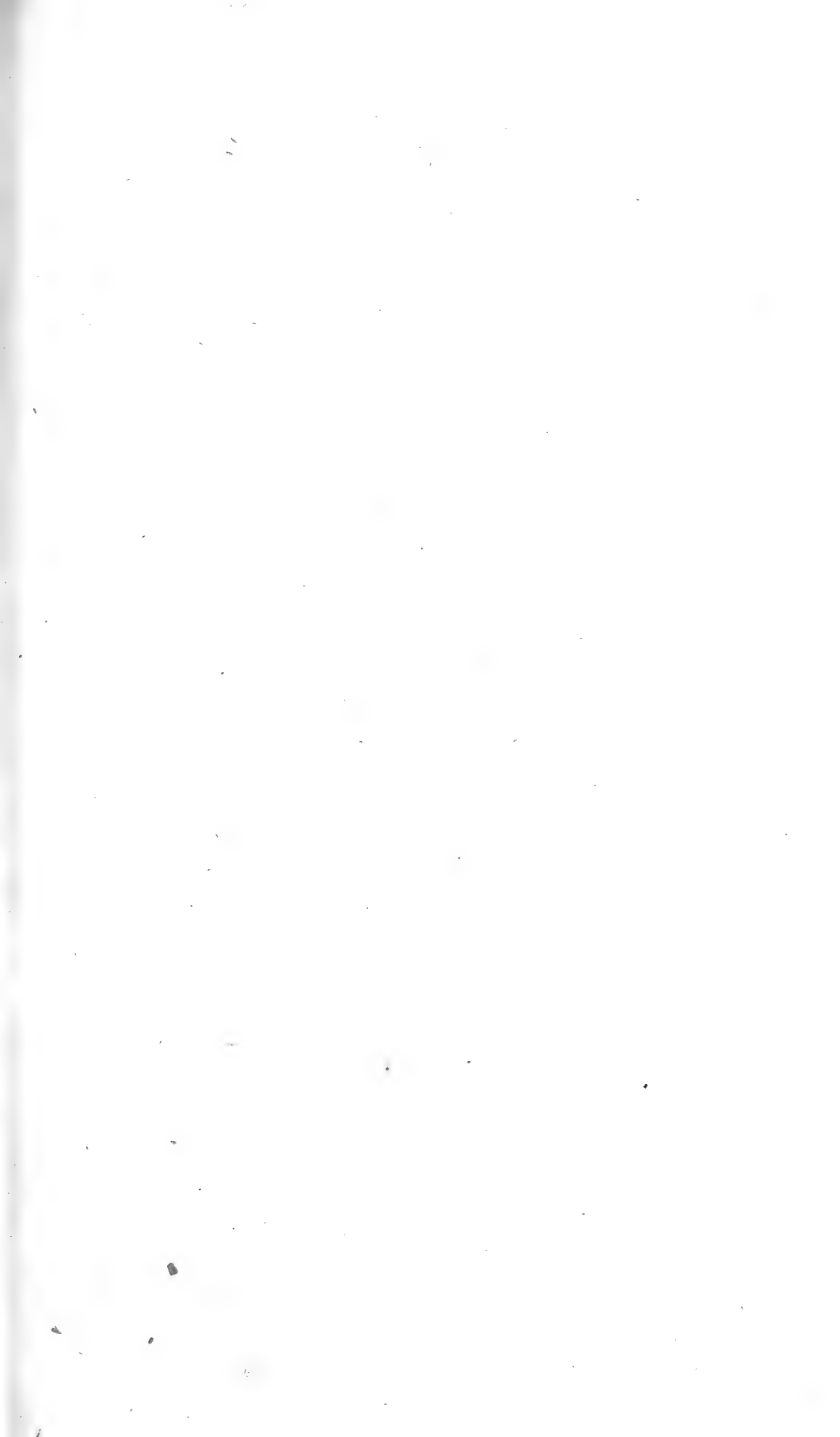
PICUS varius minor.

Briff. 4. p. 41. 15.

PICUS varius tertius.

Raii Syn. p. 43. 6.

Perpulchram pici speciem magnitudine naturali ostendit tabula, illorum quotquot in Britannia vel etiam in Europa generantur, minimam. Vel hac tamen minores sunt quædam species exoticæ. Rarius longe venit in conspectum hominum quam picus major mediusque Linnæi: ex avibus scilicet est quas pauciores alit Britannia. Coccineo rubore quo caput maris ornatur caret femina.





A. N.

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THE
LESSER SPOTTED WOODPECKER.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Bill angular, strait, cuneated at the tip.

Nostrils covered with reflected setaceous feathers.

Tongue cylindric, worm-shaped, very long, sharp-pointed, and generally aculeated at the tip with reflex bristles.

Feet scanforial.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

BLACK and WHITE WOODPECKER, with the top of the head crimfon; the vent pale brown.

The LESSER SPOTTED WOODPECKER.

Will. orn. 138. pl. 31.

Le PETIT EPEICHE.

Buff. ois. 7. p. 62.

Pl. enl. 598.

The beautiful species of Woodpecker here figured in its natural size, is the smallest of the genus which our own country produces, or even the rest of

Europe. Some exotic species are, however, still smaller. It is numbered amongst the rarer English birds, and is not so often seen as the *picus major* and *medius*, or larger and middle spotted Woodpecker. The female wants the rich crimson which ornaments the head of the male.

LACERTA IGUANA.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Corpus tetrapodum, caudatum, nudum.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 359.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

LACERTA cauda tereti longa, dorso ferrato,
crista gulæ denticulata.

LACERTA cauda tereti longa, futura dorsali
dentata, crista gulæ denticulata.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 366.

LACERTA LEGUAN.

Bont. Fav. 56.

YUVANA.

Clus. Exot. 116.

LACERTUS SENEMBI & IGUANA.

Raj. Quadr. 265.

LEGUANA.

Seb. Mus. 1. t. 95, 96, 97, &c.

In genere Lacertæ plurima sunt exempla formæ miræ et peculiaris; qua sane præ cæteris eminere videtur species quam repræsentat tabula. Americæ est incola; in variis etiam Indiæ Occidentalis insulis frequentissime occurrit; Indiam quoque Orientalem inhabitat. In magnam sæpe crescit molem; nec raro invenitur pedes tres, quatuor, vel etiam quinque longa. Color ejus generalis est viridis, in diversis speciminibus magis minusve vividus, et in aliquibus corporis partibus fusco adumbratus; interdum etiam color fuscus dominatur. Dorsum illi valde ferratum, cum sacco qui in gula est, quemque pro arbitrio potest inflare donec summo opere extendatur, efficit ut animal mite et innocens dirum prorsus et terribile videatur. Loca saxosa et sylvosa incolit hæc lacerta, insecta et vegetabilia devorans. Caro ejus pro esca salubri et nutritia habetur, licet stomachis nonnullis male conveniat. Capitur communiter laqueo circa collum jacto, cujus ope a situ suo detrahitur; non enim cum primum aspicitur, in fugam se recipit, sed intentis oculis conspectores intuetur, saccum simul, quem sub gula habet, miro modo ad summum inflans. Non raro hæc animalia sale condita in doliis asservant insulæ Jamaicæ aliarumque insularum Occidentalium incolæ. Hæc lacertæ species a variis auctoribus descripta est, a quibusdam etiam depicta; nullibi tamen pulchrius quam in Sebæ thesauro rerum naturalium, qui omnes ejus characteres optime expressit.



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THE
G U A N A.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Body four-footed, tailed, naked.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

LIZARD with long round tail, ferrated back,
and denticulated gular crest.

The IGUANA or GUANA.

The GREAT AMERICAN GUANA.

The Lizard tribe affords numerous examples of strange and peculiar form; and scarce any species is more eminent in this respect than the Guana. This animal is a native of America, and is found in many parts of the West-Indian islands in great plenty. It is also found in the East Indies. It grows to a very considerable size, and is often seen of the length of three, four, or even five feet. Its most general color is green, but with much variation in the tinge of different individuals; and it is shaded with brown in some parts of the body; and sometimes the brown is the predominating color. The back of the Guana is very strongly ferrated; and this, together
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with the gular pouch, which it has the power of extending or inflating to a great degree, gives a formidable appearance to an animal otherwise harmless. It inhabits rocky and woody places, and feeds on insects and vegetables. It is reckoned an extremely nourishing and delicate food, but is observed to disagree with some constitutions. The common manner of catching it is by casting a noose over its head, and thus drawing it from its situation; for it seldom makes an effort to escape, but stands looking intently at its discoverer, inflating its throat at the same time in an extraordinary manner. Guanas are sometimes salted and barrelled up for use in Jamaica and other West-Indian islands in considerable quantities. This species of *Lacerta* has been described and figured by several authors; but the most expressive figures are those given by Seba in his *Thefaurus rerum naturalium*.

DENTALIUM ELEPHANTINUM.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Animal Terebella.

Testa univalvis, tubulosa, recta, monothalamia, utraque extremitate pervia.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 1263.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

DENTALIUM *testa* decem-angulata subarcuata striata.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 1263.

DENTICULUS ELEPHANTIS.

Rumph. mus. t. 41. f. 1.

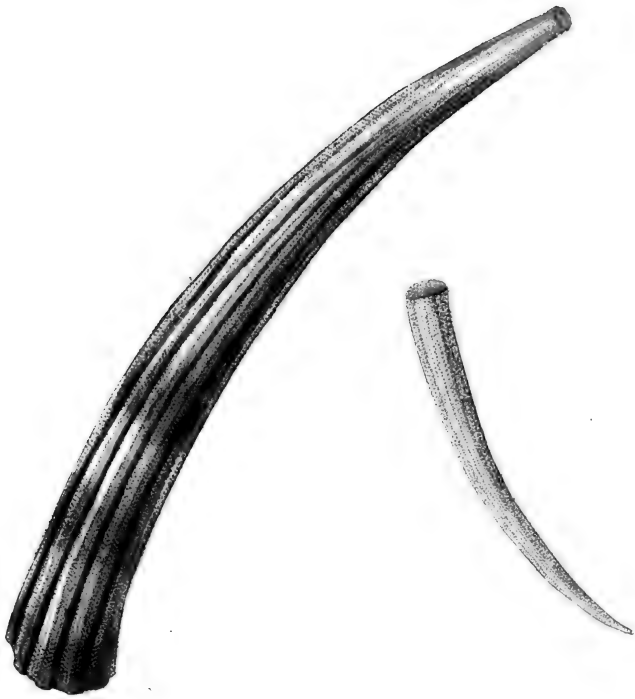
DENTALIS.

Argenv. conch. t. 3. f. H.

Licet aliæ sint læves, aliæ angulis striatæ, per diversas tamen Dentaliorum species pervasit generalis quædam similitudo. Speciem angulatam depinximus, quæ maxima est totius generis. Color communis viret. Maria Europæa et Indica inhabitat Dentalium elephantinum. Dat nomen generi forma non longe ab similibus denti prominenti et elongato.







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THE
ELEPHANTINE DENTALIUM.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Animal resembling a Terebella.

Shell univalve, tubular, with undivided cavity,
pervious at each extremity.

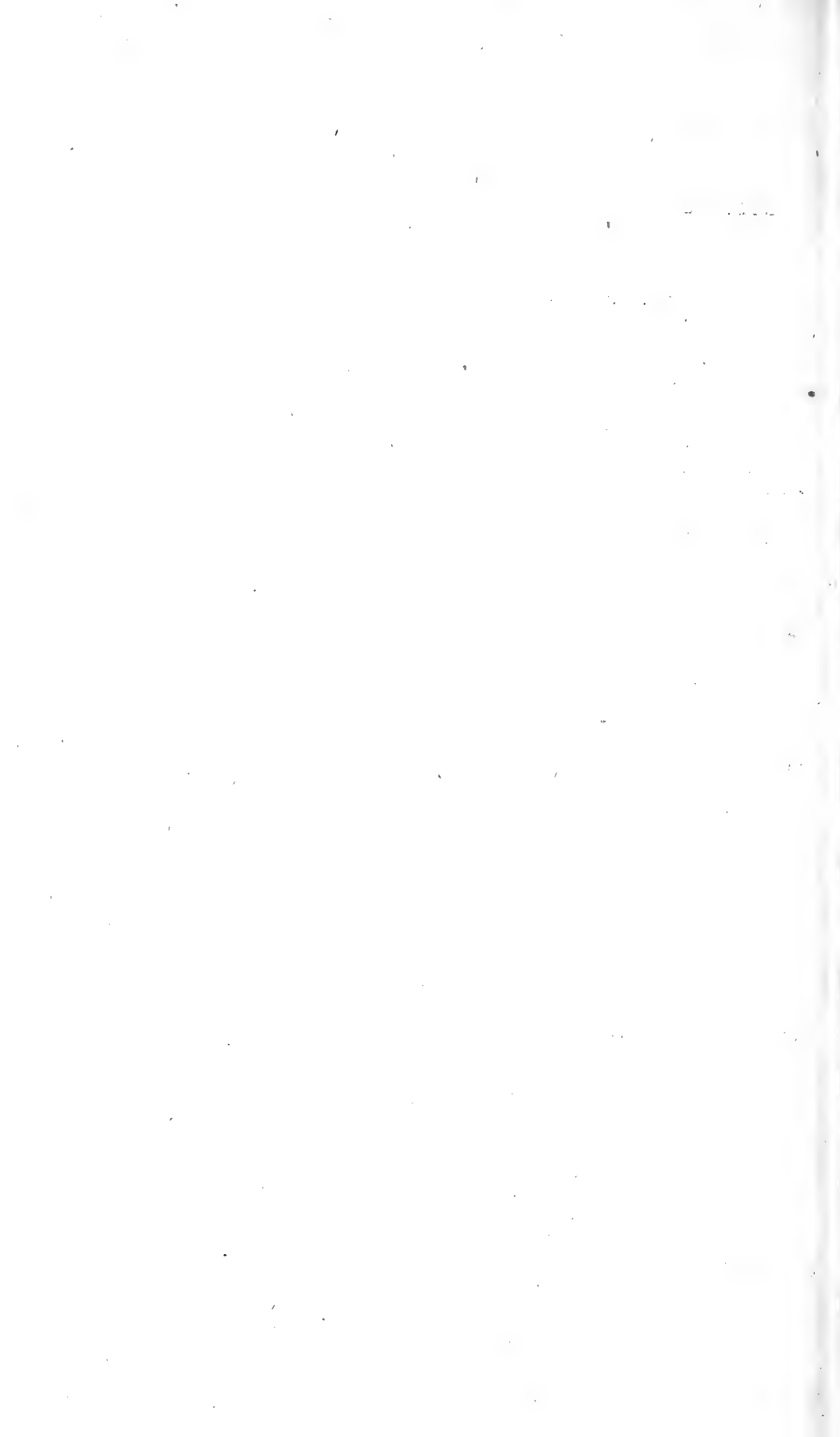
SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

SLIGHTLY CURVED GREENISH DEN-
TALIUM with ten longitudinal ribs.

The GREAT RIBBED TOOTH-SHELL.

The LARGE GREEN DENTALIUM.

In the genus Dentalium, so named from its tooth-like form, there prevails a considerable degree of general similarity between the different species; of which, however, some are smooth, while others are marked by longitudinal angular processes. In this latter division ranks the species represented on the plate, which is the largest of the genus. Its general color is a dull green. It is found both in the European and Indian seas.



PSITTACUS TERRESTRIS.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Rostrum aduncum : mandibula superiore mobili;
cera instructa.

Nares in rostri basi.

Lingua carnosae, obtusa, integra.

Pedes scanforii.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 139.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

PSITTACUS MACROURUS VIRIDIS, nigro
flavoque maculatus, capistro rubro, cauda
flava fasciis numerosis nigris.

Ungues postici rectiusculi, elongati.

PSITTACUS TERRESTRIS.

Museum Leverianum, No. 5. t. 5.

PSITTACUS FORMOSUS.

Latb. ind. orn. p. 103.

Avem qua vix pulchriorem jactat genus psittaci-
num in tabula depinximus. Turturem æquat ipsa

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avis.

avis. Terrestris dicitur quia rarius arboribus infidet, sed more ralli super terras in locis præcipue juncofis et cariceis curfitat. Australasiam incolit hæc species.



THE
GROUND PARROT.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Bill hooked: upper mandible moveable.
Nostrils round, placed in the base of the bill.
Tongue fleshy, broad, blunt at the end.
Feet scansorial.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

LONG-TAILED GREEN PARROT, spotted with black and yellow; the frontled red; the tail yellow with numerous black bars.

The hind claws are long and straitish.

The GROUND PARROT.

Museum Leverianum, No. 5. pl. 5.
Zool. of New Holland, p. 9. pl. 3.

The bird represented on the present plate is one of the most beautiful of its tribe: its size is equal to that of a turtle: it is called the ground parrot, from its rarely perching on trees, but being generally seen on the ground, especially in sedgey and rushy places, running along in the manner of a rail. It is a native of Australasia.



SQUALUS TIBURO.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Spiracula quinque ad latera colli.

Corpus oblongum teretiusculum.

Os in anteriore capitis parte.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 397.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

SQUALUS capite latissimo cordato.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 399.

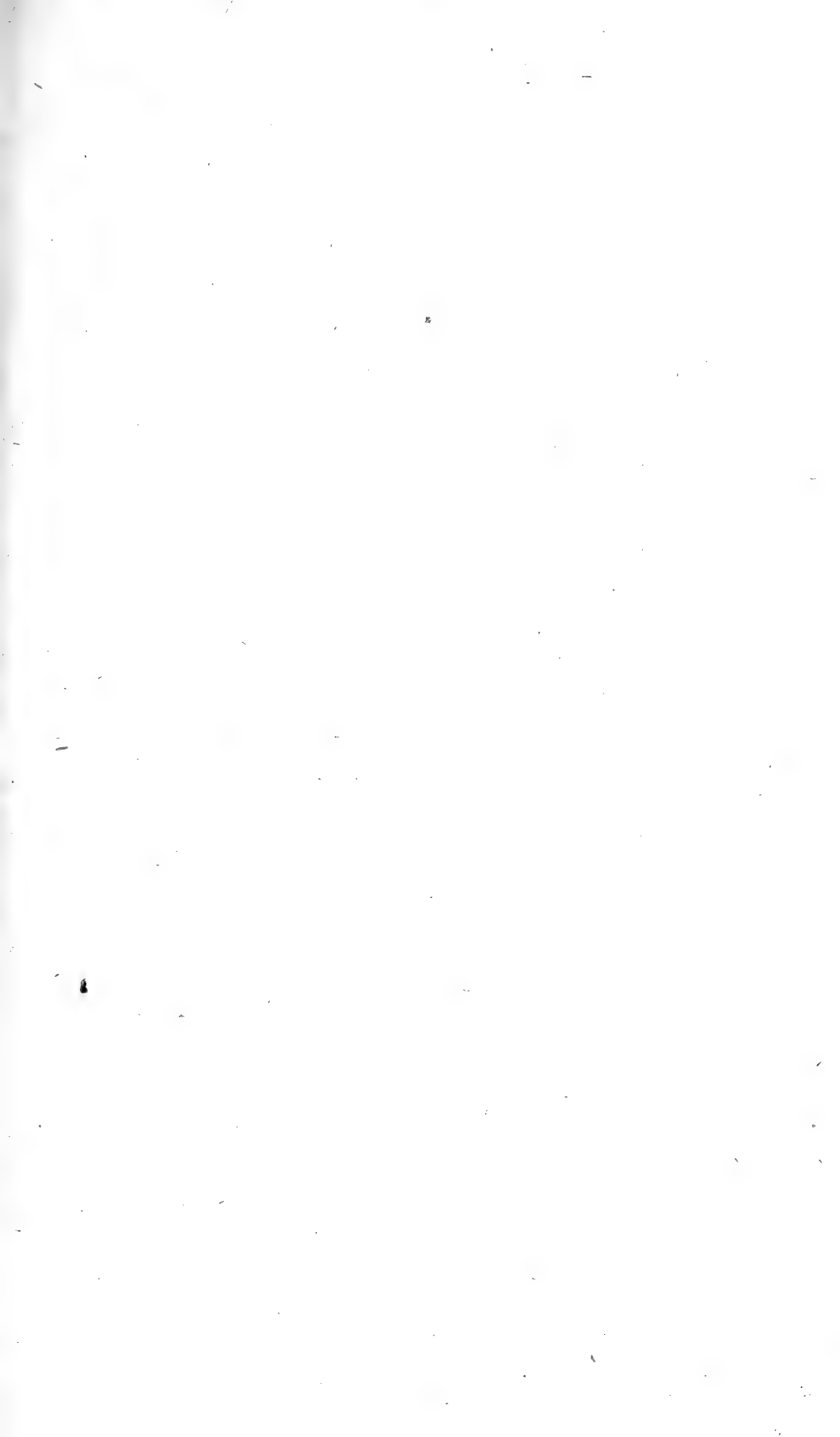
ZYGÆNÆ affinis capite triangulo.

Will. icht. 55.

TIBURONIS species minor.

Marcgr. bras. 181.

Squalo Zygænæ Linnæi affinis admodum Squalus Tiburo ab eo præcipue differt quod caput non utrinque in longitudinem productum sit, sed potius subtriangulum, fronte rotundata. Maria incolit Americæ Australis, rarior multo quam Zygæna, cujus eum meram esse varietatem nonnulli falso opinati sunt.





THE
ROUND-HEADED ZYGÆNA.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Spiracles five, on each side the neck.

Mouth situated beneath, in the fore part of the head.

Body oblong, somewhat cylindric.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

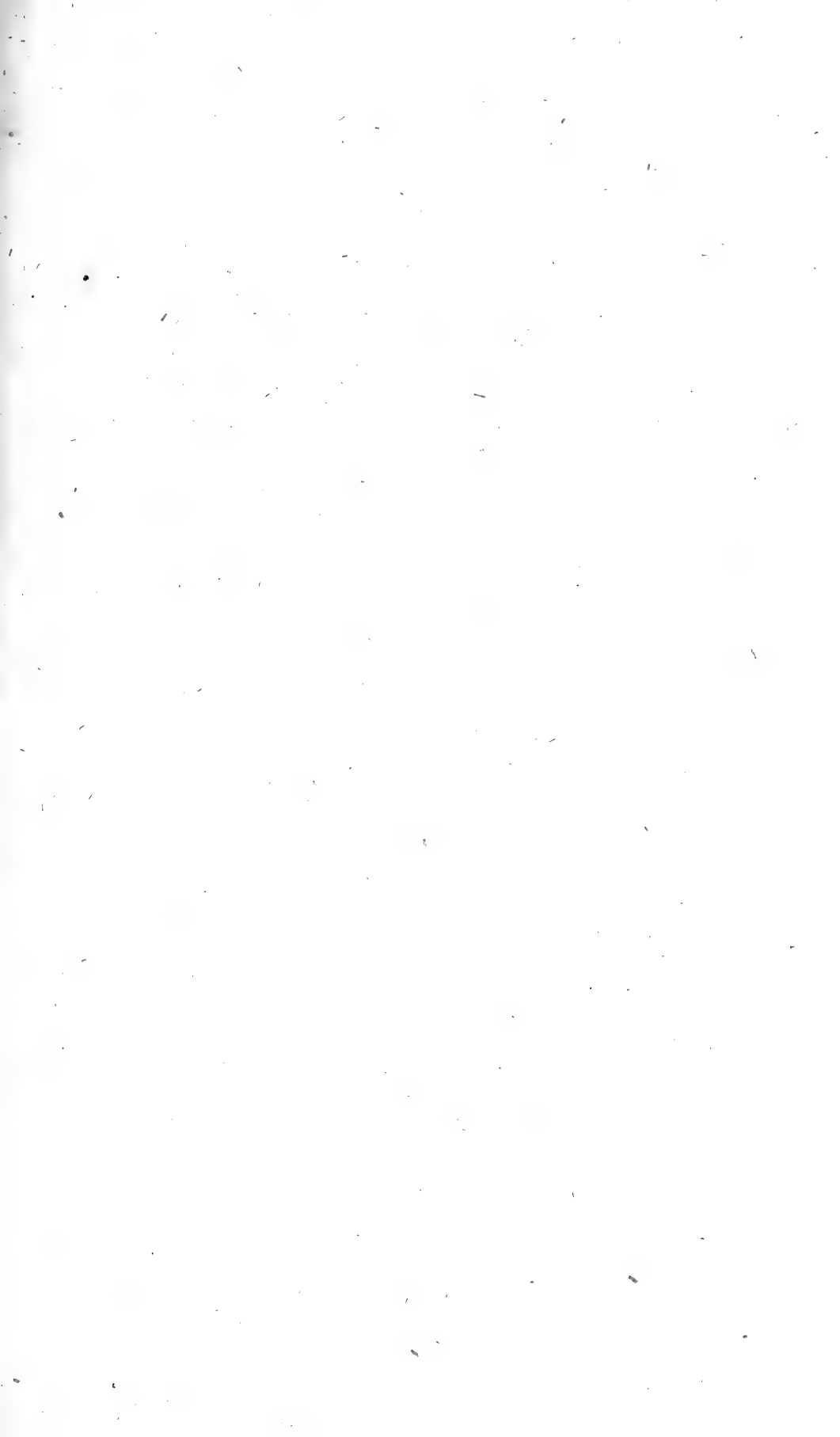
SHARK with very broad subtriangular head, rounded in front.

The ROUND-HEADED ZYGÆNA.

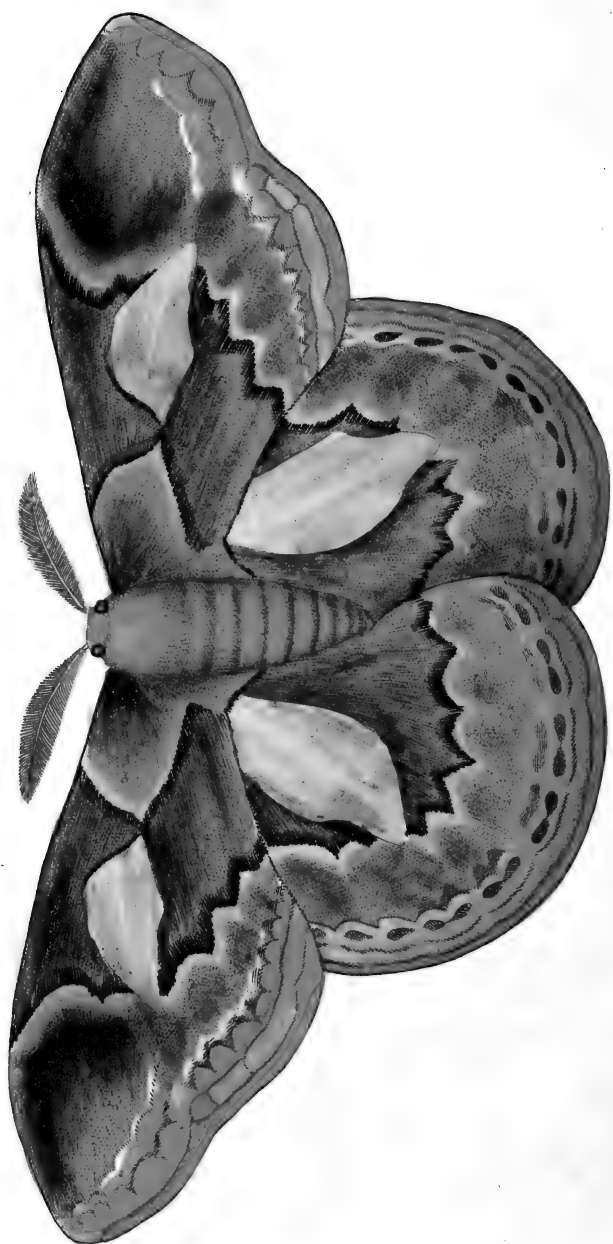
PANTOUFLIER.

Brousson aët. Paris. 1780. p. 662. n. 12.

The *Squalus Tiburo*, which is extremely nearly allied to the *Squalus Zygæna* or Hammer-Headed Shark, differs from that species principally in the form of its head, which, instead of being produced on each side into a long process, is rather of a subtriangular appearance, rounded off in front. It is a native of the South American seas, and is a much rarer species than the *Squalus Zygæna*, of which it has been sometimes considered as a variety.







ERYCINA.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Antennæ fetaceous, gradually decreasing from the base to the tip.

Wings (when sitting) generally deflex: flight nocturnal.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

PHALÆNA with feathered antennæ, wings rounded and very flightly inclining to the falcated form: varied with yellow and ferruginous, with a large ovate transparent spot on each.

La VITRÉE de CAYENNE.

D'Aubent. pl. enl. 66.

If this insect be really the *Phalæna Hesperus* of Linnæus, which I am greatly inclined to doubt, it seems surprizing that he should have conceived it so very nearly allied to the *Phalæna Atlas*, as scarce to admit of a specific separation. To the *Phalæna Atlas* it indeed bears a general resemblance, but is an insect of still greater elegance and beauty than that

that magnificent species: in order, therefore, to prevent as much as possible, all confusion on the subject, I have affixed a new name, which will at once sufficiently distinguish it from the former, and at the same time will serve in some measure to express the superior elegance of the animal itself.

TURDUS ROSEUS.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Rostrum tereti-cultratum : mandibula superiore apice deflexo, emarginato.

Nares nudæ superne membranula semitectæ.

Faux ciliata.

Lingua lacero-emarginata.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 291.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

TURDUS ROSEUS, capite alis caudaque nigris, occipite cristato.

TURDUS subincarnatus, capite alis caudaque nigris, occipite cristato.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 294.

MERULA ROSEA.

Aldr. orn. 2. p. 626.

Non modo in Italia et reliqua mitiori Europa, sed et in aliis mundi partibus innatus, raro admodum in Angliam defertur Turdus roseus. Æqualis fere sturno est magnitudine, summa notabilis elegancia; capite nimirum, collo, cauda alisque nigrantibus, variata luce, splendide viridi-purpureis; reliqua avi

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pul-

pulcherrime roseo-pallente. Insectis, ut plurimum, vescitur hæc avis: maxime autem sævit in varias gryllorum species; eamque quasi sacram habent nonnulli Orientis incolæ, Hierapolitæ præcipue, quod minuât quodammodo diram animalculorum formidolosorum segetem. Pulchrum turdi rosei specimen, in agro Oxoniensi anno proxime elapso scloppeto confectum, amicissime nobiscum communicavit Dominus Jenner, militum classicorum dux.



R. N.

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THE
ROSE-COLOURED OUZEL.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Bill strait, obtusely carinated at top, bending a little at the point, and slightly notched near the end of the upper mandible.

Nostrils oval.

Tongue slightly jagged at the end.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

ROSE-COLOURED, CRESTED THRUSH,
with the head, neck, wings, and tail black.

The ROSE-COLOURED OUZEL.

Will. orn. p. 194.

Le MERLE COULEUR de ROSE.

Briff. 2. p. 250. n. 20.

Buff. ois. 3. p. 348. pl. 22.

The rose-coloured ouzel, a native of Italy and the warmer regions of Europe, as well as of many other parts of the globe, in England appears only as an occasional visitant: its size is nearly that of a starling: it is highly remarkable for the elegance of its

colors: the head, neck, wings, and tail being black, with varying glosses of green and purple, while the remainder of the bird is of a beautiful pale rose-color. It feeds, in general, on insects, and especially on the different kinds of locusts; for which reason it is considered as a kind of sacred bird in some of the Eastern countries, where it contributes greatly to the destruction of those noxious animals. This is said to be particularly the case in the neighbourhood of Aleppo. A beautiful specimen of this bird was shot in the course of the last year in Oxfordshire, of which an account was politely communicated by Captain Jenner, of the marines.

SALPA MAXIMA.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Corpus liberum, gelatinosum, utroque apice apertum, intus vacuum: intestino obliquo.

Lin. Syst. Nat. Gmel. p. 3129.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

SALPA utroque apice appendiculato.

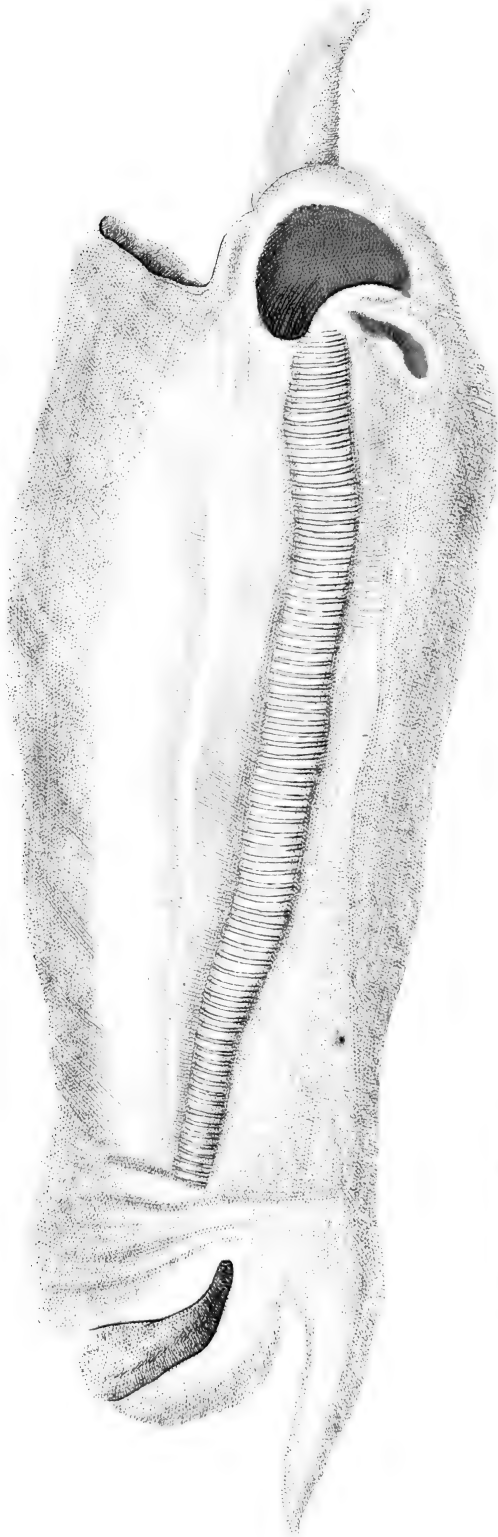
Lin. Syst. Nat. Gmel. p. 3129.

Forsk. Fn. Aegypt. Arab. p. 12. n. 130.

A quo tempore publicata est systematis Linnæani duodecima editio, auctus est in tantum zoologiæ campus, ut in plerisque animalium divisionibus, in nullis vero magis quam in Molluscis nova genera instituere necesse effet. Inter hæc eminet genus Salpa, quod animalia continet forma, ut plurimum, subquadrata et elongata, quorum corpus tubulatum et gelatum, apice utroque aperto, viscerum ramosorum vestigia subobscura intus ostendit: quæ tamen in nonnullis speciebus evidentius cernuntur. Gregatim eunt Salpæ, celerrime natantes, possuntque extremitates utraq; ad libitum vel contrahere vel dilatare. Perlucidæ admodum sunt, et interdum splendide

splendide varieque versicolores. Multas sæpe cer-
nere est sibi invicem adhærentes, lateribus conjunctis.

Videtur summa esse affinitas Salparum generi cum
Dagyzis, primo detectis a Josepho Banks, et Solan-
dro, prope littora Hispanica. Possent fortasse hæc
duo genera recte fatis confociari. Salpæ fere omnes
in mari Mediterraneo nascuntur.



THE
GREAT SALPA.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Body tubular, nayant, open at each extremity, furnished with an oblique intestine.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

SALPA with an appendicle at each extremity.

The field of zoology has been so much enlarged by the discoveries made since the twelfth edition of the *Systema Naturæ* of Linnæus, that it has been found necessary to institute a variety of new genera in most of the divisions of the animal kingdom. In the division *Mollusca* these new genera are particularly conspicuous, and form not the least curious additions to the history of Nature. The genus *Salpa* may be numbered amongst the most striking. The *Salpæ*, in general, are of an elongated and somewhat squarish form, and consist of an oblong, tubular body, open at each extremity, and marked in the interior structure with some obscure appearance of ramified viscera; which are much more apparent in some species than in others. They are of a gregarious nature, and swim with great facility: possessing

lessing the power of contracting or opening at pleasure the cavity of their extremities; they are very transparent, and sometimes exhibit a rich appearance of varying colors. Several are frequently found adhering closely together in a lateral direction. It may not be improper to add that the animals of the genus *Salpa* seem extremely nearly allied to those of the genus *Dagyza*, first discovered by Sir Joseph Banks and Dr. Solander, near the coasts of Spain. Perhaps the two genera of *Salpa* and *Dagyza* might be incorporated without any violation of propriety: the *Salpæ*, in general, are natives of the Mediterranean sea.

MANTIS GONGYLODES.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Caput nutans, maxillosum, palpis instructum.

Antennæ (plerisque) fetaceæ.

Alæ quatuor, membranaceæ, (plerisque) convolutæ; inferiores plicatæ.

Pedes antici compressi, subtus ferrato-denticulati, armati ungue solitario et digito fetaceo laterali articulado. *Postici* quatuor læves, gressorii.

Thorax linearis, elongatus, angustatus.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 689.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

MANTIS thorace lineari utrinque dilatato, femoribus anticis spina terminatis, reliquis lobo.

MANTIS GONGYLODES.

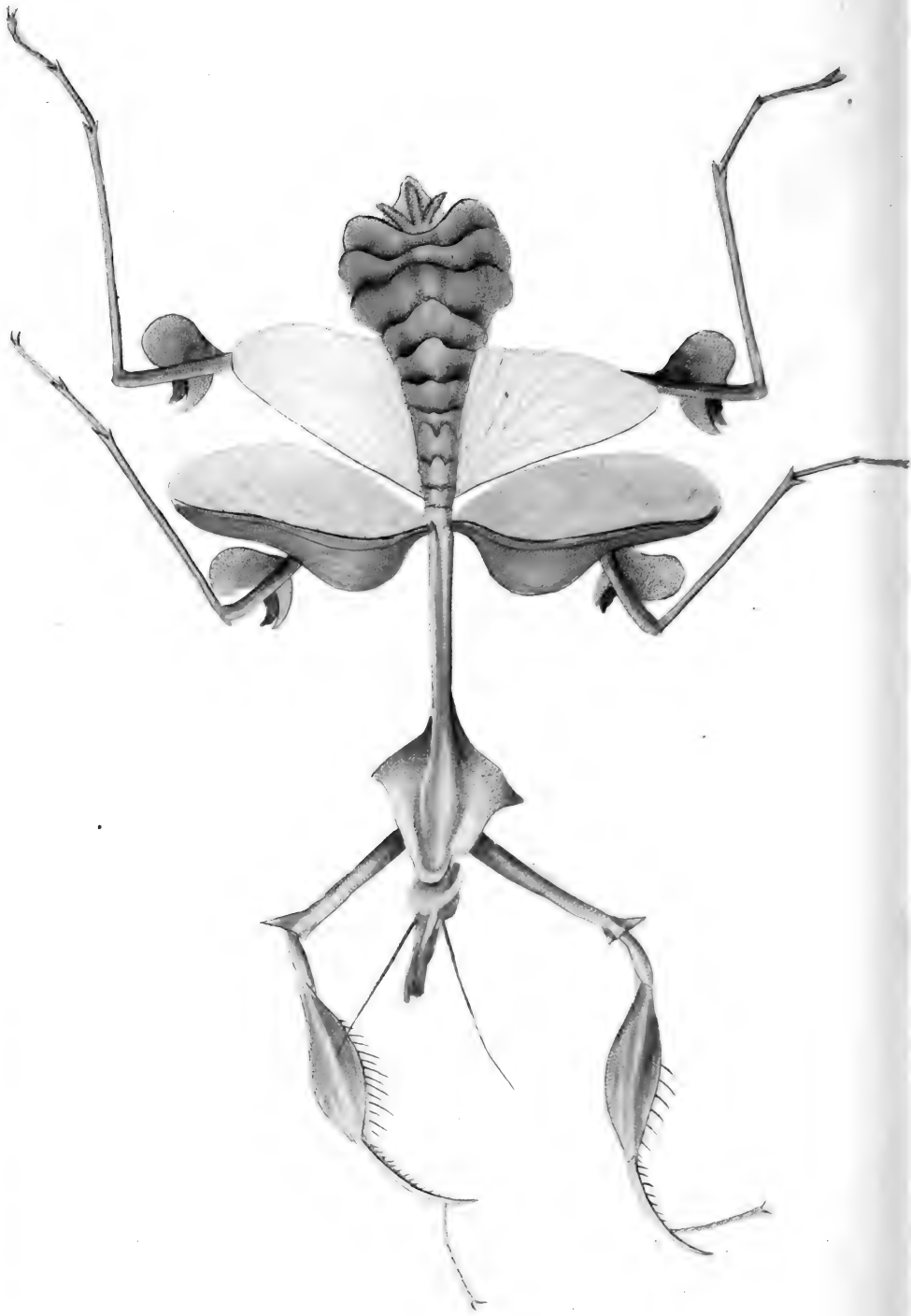
Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 690.

GAAYRA.

Marcgr. bras. 246.

In generanda Manti gongylode pene putemus primo visu lusisse Naturam, membraque ei non ad auxilium sed ad impedimentum dedisse. At ulterius quærentes

quærentes benigne ei consultum fuisse fatebimur; tantum enim abest ut incommodo sit monstrosa hæc et inconueniens, quæ videtur, partium dispositio, ut exinde etiam magna utilitas exoriatur. Præda vivit more reliqui generis, cui facilius arripiendæ inservit brachiorum magna longitudo, latetque inter ramos ipsa Mantis securior visuque difficilior ob alarum colorem et quasi foliatam similitudinem; ne quid dicam dicam de crurum et thoracis summa exilitate. Antennæ, quæ in plurimis speciminibus simplices omnino et more fili deductæ, in nonnullis pulchre pectinantur. Utrum differentia sit vere specifica, an sexualis tantum, (quod verisimile videtur) difficile est pro certo statuere. Notandum porro est in Sebæ figuris non modo hujus speciei sed et Mantis strumariæ antennas interdum pectinari. Si viva posset inspicere Mantis gongylodes, color fortasse ei longe effet vividior: mortuæ idem plerumque est ac in tabula. Innascitur in variis partibus Asiæ et Africæ.



THE
LONG-BREASTED MANTIS.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Head unsteady; mouth armed with jaws, and furnished with palpi.

Antennæ setaceous, (some few species excepted.)

Wings four, membranaceous, in most species convoluted: the lower ones (generally) plicated.

Feet anterior compressed, ferrated beneath, armed with a lateral solitary claw and jointed process; *posterior* four, smooth, formed for walking.

Thorax (in most species) elongated and narrowed.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

MANTIS with linear thorax dilated on each side, the fore thighs terminated by a spine, the other lobated.

Roes. inf. 2. gryll. t. 7.

D'Aubent. pl. enl. 65. f. 2.

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The Mantis gongylodes is an insect of so singular an appearance, that it seems, at first view, as if
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formed by a caprice of Nature, and appears to be incommoded by the strange and uncouth disproportion of its limbs, and the aukwardness of its form. All these seeming incongruities, however, are in reality calculated for the natural habits and modes of life to which the animal is destined; and, instead of proving a disadvantage to it, are, on the contrary, the powerful means of its support. Like the rest of its congeners, it is of a predacious nature; and the great length of its fore-legs enables it readily to seize and manage the smaller insects on which it feeds; while its color and the leaf-like appearance of its wings, with the extreme gracility of its thorax and legs, make it less easily distinguished amongst the vegetables on which it resides, and thus give it the advantage of obtaining its prey the more readily. The antennæ, which in most specimens are simple and filiform, are in others elegantly pectinated; whether this be really a specific difference, or merely a sexual one, it is not easy to determine. It is also to be observed, that in the figures of Seba, this species, as well as the *Mantis strumaria*, is sometimes represented with pectinated antennæ. Tho' the *Mantis gongylodes* is generally of the color represented in the plate, yet when living it is probably of a much greener cast: it is a native of many parts of Asia and Africa.

TANAGRA BRASILIA.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Rostrum conicum, acuminatum, emarginatum,
basi subtrigonum, apice declive.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 314.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

TANAGRA COCCINEA, alis caudaque nigris.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 314.

MERULA BRASILICA.

Bell. av. 319.

TIJEPIRANGA.

Raj. syn. p. 87. 13.

Will. orn. p. 184. 185.

CARDINALIS.

Briss. av. 3. p. 42. n. 24. t. 3. f. 1.

Pulcherrima hæc avis, cujus magnitudinem naturalem ostendit tabula, amat omnem Americam Australem, præcipue autem Brasiliam.

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THE
BRASILIAN TANAGER.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Bill conic, sharp-pointed, flogging at the tip and slightly emarginated; somewhat trigonal towards the base.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

SCARLET TANAGER with black wings and tail.

Le CARDINAL.

Briff. orn. 3. p. 42. 24. pl. 3. f. 1.

BRASILIAN TANAGER.

Lath. Syn. 1. p. 215.

This highly elegant species is a native of South America, and is principally found in Brasil. The plate represents it in its natural size.

TEREBELLA FLAVICOMA.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Corpus oblongum, repens, nudum, penicillis
branchiisque lateralibus.

Tentacula capillaria, ciliata.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

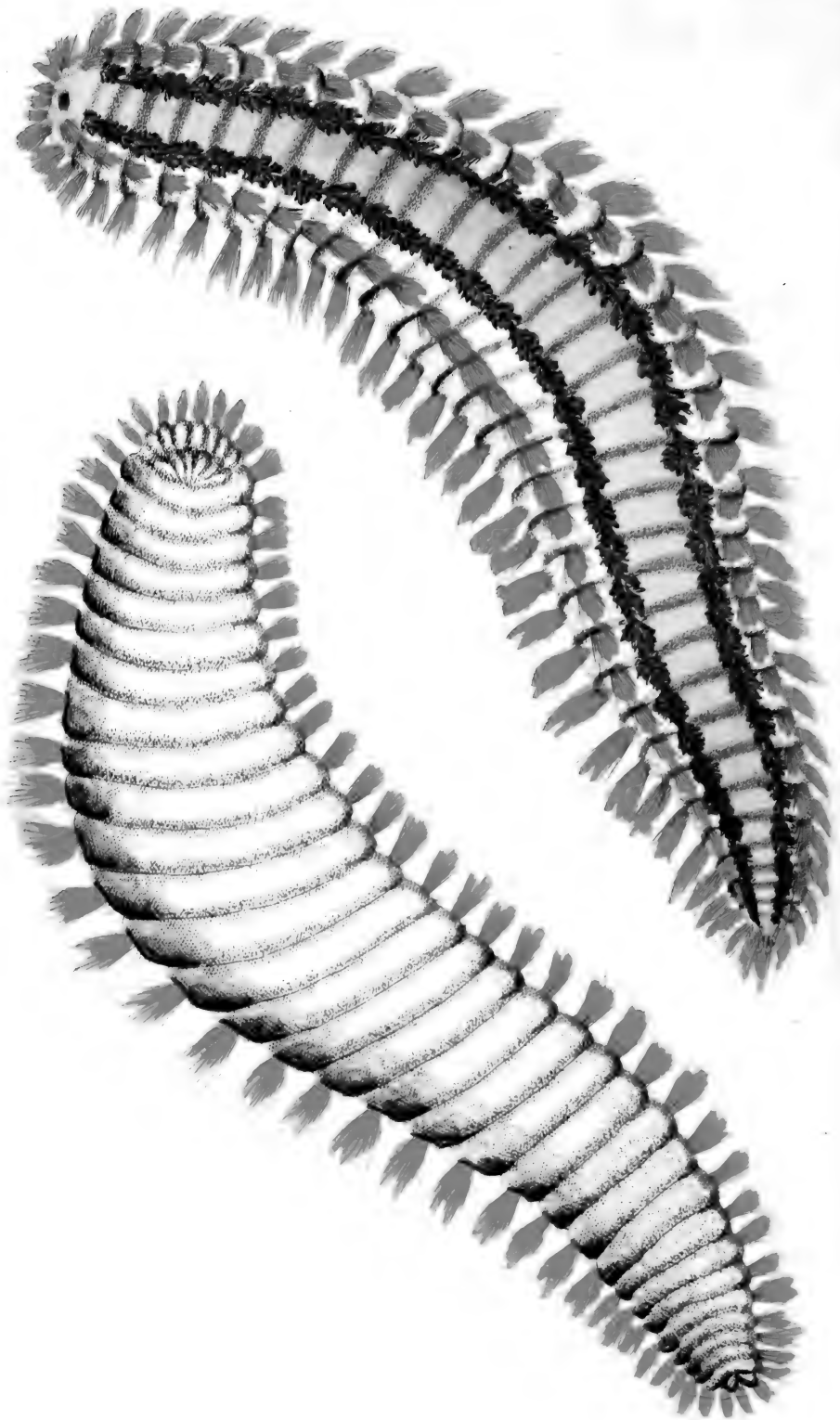
TEREBELLA depressa, branchiis utrinque 37,
cauda bifurca.

Lin. Syst. Nat. Gmel. p. 3114.

APHRODITA FLAVA.

Pall. Misc. Zool. p. 97. t. 8. f. 7.—11.

Animalium istorum marinorum, quæ Terebellæ vocantur, accedit prope forma generalis ad Nereidum et Aphroditarum similitudinem. In cavis rupium degunt nonnullæ species: aliæ tubos quosdam incolunt flexiles et quasi coriaceos, sua arte fabricatos. E maximis est generis Terebella flavicoma, et in oceano Indico innascitur. Veram magnitudinem repræsentat tabula.



R. A.

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THE
YELLOW-HAIRED TERESELLA.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Body oblong, repent, with lateral fascicles and branchiæ.

Tentacula capillary and ciliated.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

DEPRESSED TERESELLA, with about 37 branchiæ on each side, and forked tail.

The Terebellæ are marine animals, in their general appearance resembling those of the genus Nereis. They are also pretty nearly allied to the Aphroditæ. Some species inhabit the cavities of rocks, and others a kind of flexible or leather-like tubes of their own composition. The species here represented in its natural size is one of the largest of the genus, and is a native of the Indian ocean.

SALPA DEMOCRATICA.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Corpus liberum, gelatinosum, utroque apice aperto, intus vacuum; intestino obliquo.

Lin. Syst. Nat. Gmel. p. 3129.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

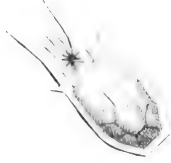
SALPA fasciata, postice aculeata.

SALPA punctata, fasciata, aculeis pone octo.

Lin. Syst. Nat. Gmel. p. 3129.

Forsk. Fn. Aegypt. Arab. p. 113. n. 32.

Natat, ut plurimum, hæc species nullo certo tramite, agmine quaquaversum confuso, sine ullo duce aut consilio; quam ob causam conjicio Dominum Forskal, qui forsitan primus eam descripsit *democraticam* nominasse. Salpæ fere omnes in mari mediterraneo nascuntur, democratica autem præcipue in mari rubro.



THE
DEMOCRATIC SALPA.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Body tubular, nayant, gelatinous, open at each extremity, furnished with an oblique intestine.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

FASCIATED SALPA, aculeated behind.

The species of Salpa here represented is generally seen in large groupes or multitudes, swimming confusedly in all directions, without any leader, plan or order; for which reason Mr. Forskall, its first describer, seems to have applied to it the title by which it is at present distinguished. Almost all the Salpæ are natives of the Mediterranean, but this is principally found in the red sea.



MOTACILLA SUTORIA.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Rostrum subulatum, rectum: mandibulis subæqualibus.

Nares ovatæ.

Lingua lacero-emarginata.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 328.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

MOTACILLA tota flava minima.

MOTACILLA futoria.

Zool. Ind. p. 17. t. 8.

SYLVIA futoria.

Latb. ind. orn. p. 551.

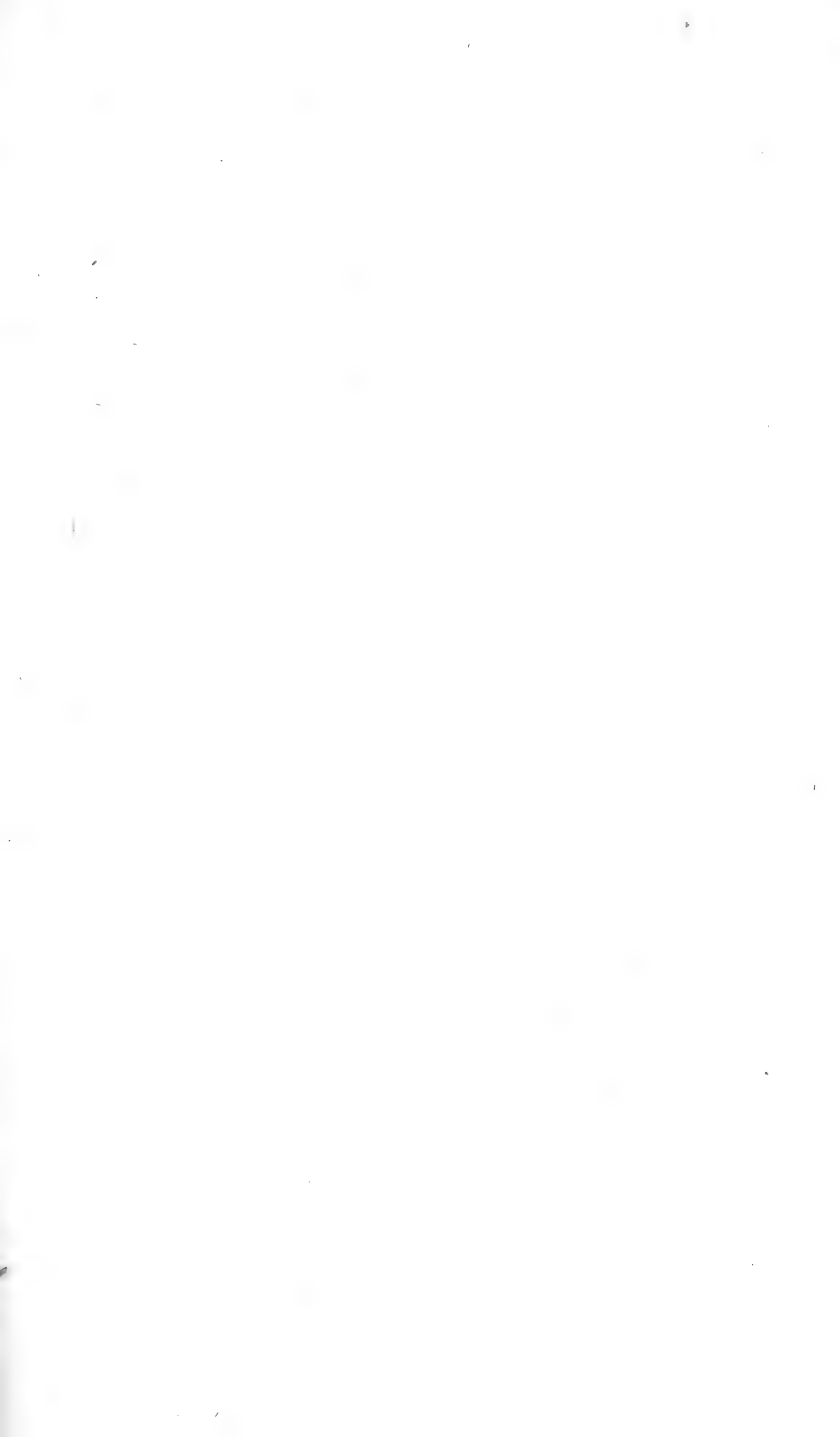
MOTACILLA futoria.

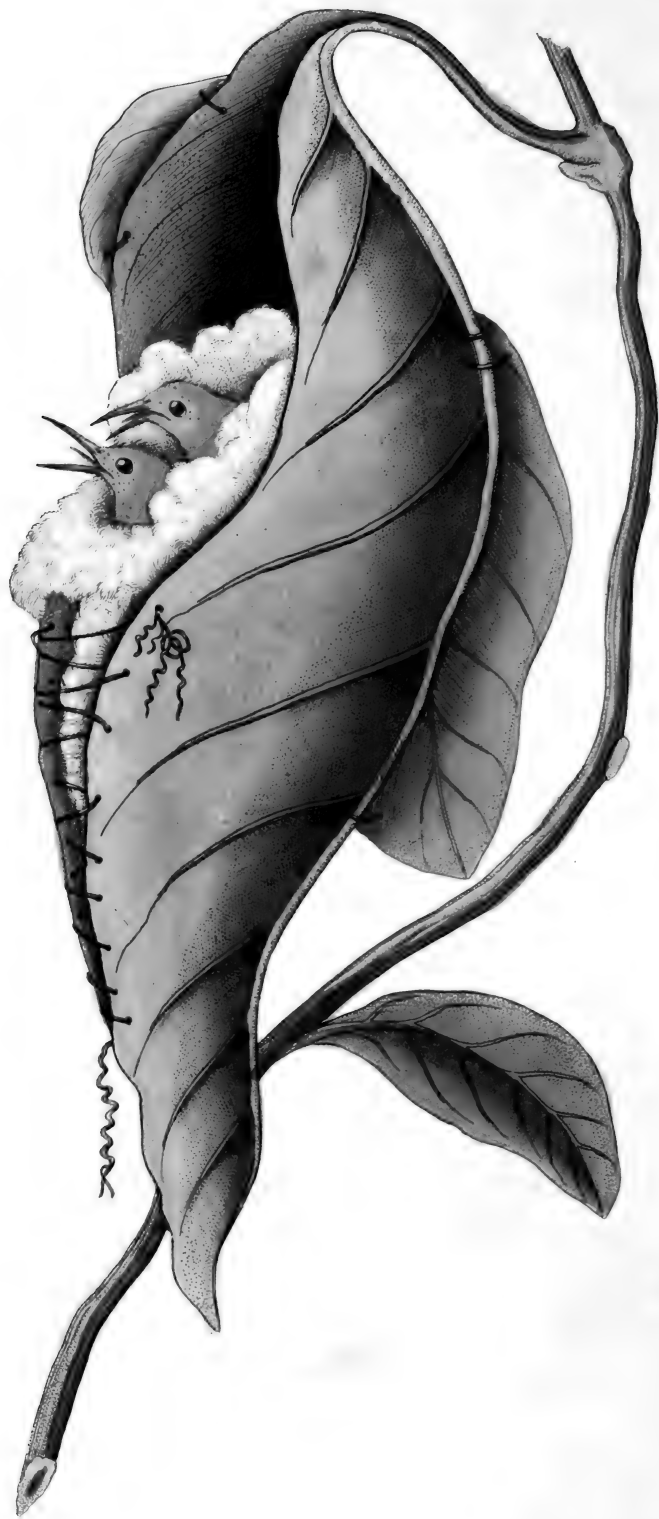
Lin. Syst. Nat. Gmel. p. 997.

Avium in nidificando varium et admirandum ingenium suave est philosopho contemplari. Aliæ, Fringilla nempe coelebs, Fringilla Carduelis, et variæ Parorum species, non sine magno labore nidos construunt concinnos et elegantes: aliæ nullo fere

negotio receptaculum sibi rude et incompositum comparant: aliæ nidum fere nullum facientes satis putant si cavum aliquod in arbore nactæ super molli et putrido ligno ova deposuerint: sunt etiam quæ in gramine pariunt vel inter lapides. Hirundinum genus arte quadam cæmentitia cunabula e luto compacta affigunt muris caminisque; et parvula est species in Sina Indicisque infulis probe cognita, quæ cum ab aquis vicinis satis materiæ gelatæ collegerit, firme nidificat de indurato glutine. In Indiæ et Americæ regionibus calidioribus altius quiddam sapere videntur aves, quarum multæ, Orioli scilicet et aliæ, cubilia de arborum ramis suspendunt modo vasis chemici cui collum retortum et elongatum, ventre capaci. Generat etiam Europa Parum pendulinum et alias paucas quæ prolem educant in cunis pendentibus, quarum margines mira solertia arundinibus alligaverunt. At his omnibus longe antecellit illarum avium acumen, quæ ad recipiendos pullos folium vel folia consuunt fibris vegetabilibus. Hujusmodi insigne exemplum ostendit tabula belle adeo et affabre contextum, ut artis potius humanæ quam aviculæ *αυτοδιδασκτου* opus videatur. Finito futuro opere, confertur nidus plumis molli- bus, et lanugine e variis plantis collecta. Longa est avis circiter tres uncias, pondere levissimo. Ova, nisi errent qui se ea vidisse profitentur, formicarum ovis (ut falso vulgoque vocantur, sunt enim revera chrysalides) vix majora. Motacillæ futuriæ, quam fide pictorum novimus (licet enim nidus sæpe in musæis inveniatur, ipsam avem vix unquam vidit physicus aliquis Europæus) color flavo-pallet. Va-
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rias Indiæ partes incolit. In nido construendo interdum margines aduersos ejsdem folii confuit, interdum aridum viridi connectit, ut fit in nido quem cernere est in opere celeberrimi Pennanti cui titulus "Zoologia Indica." Supra notavimus aves Indicas ingeniosius nidificare. Pauca & levia sunt pericula quæ aves Europææ tempore incubationis subeunt: at Indicas, quarum in perniciem sub omni fere arbusculo latet serpens, & inter arbores ludo procaci invigilat infidiosa simiarum curiositas, Naturæ visum est majore quodam & acutiore *inglinetu* donare, ut astutia astutiæ par esset.





THE
TAILOR WARBLER.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Bill fubulate; *frat*: mandibles nearly equal.

Nostrils nearly oval.

Tongue jagged or lacerated towards the tip.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

Very small MOTACILLA, entirely yellow.

The TAILOR BIRD.

Ind. Zool. p. 7. pl. 8.

The TAILOR WARBLER.

Lath. Syn. 2. p. 515.

The nidification of birds, or varied instinct exerted by those animals in providing proper and convenient receptacles for their future brood, is a subject highly worthy the attention of a philosophic mind. Some, as the Chaffinch, the Goldfinch, and the different species of Parrot or Titmice, are remarkable for constructing nests of peculiar neatness and elegance; while others exert little diligence in this respect, and arrange their materials in a far more careless

less manner; and some can scarce be said to form any regular nest, but content themselves with a convenient cavity in a tree, and deposit their eggs on the soft surface of the decayed wood. Others lay their eggs on the ground, amongst grass, or even amongst stones. Birds of the Swallow tribe practise a species of masonry, and attach their nests, formed of soft mud, to the sides of walls and chimnies; and a small species of this genus, not uncommon in China and the Indian islands, collects gelatinous materials from the surface of the neighbouring waters, and constructs with them a nest of a very durable nature, and consisting entirely of hardened gluten. In the hotter regions of India and America, where a higher species of instinct seems to prevail amongst birds, several species form nests which are so disposed as to hang from the branches of trees in the form of retorts or long-necked bottles, as the Orioli and some others. In Europe also the Parus Pendulinus and a few other birds attach their temporary habitations, at three or four places on the edge, to the adjoining reeds amongst which they build, and thus, with exquisite contrivance, form their "*pendent bed and procreant cradle.*" Lastly, some birds exert a still more curious species of instinctive ingenuity, and actually sew together, with vegetable fibres, the edges of one or more leaves, in order to form a convenient and unsuspected receptacle for their young. Of this very singular mode of nidification, the little bird, whose nest, with the young included, is represented on the annexed plate, affords perhaps the most eminent example; and sew
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with such dexterity the edges of the leaves selected for this purpose, that they seem rather to have been connected by human art, than that of an uninstructed animal. When the operation of sewing the leaves is finished, the cavity is lined with feathers, and down collected from various vegetables. The size of this bird is very small: its length scarce exceeding three inches, and its weight proportionally light. The eggs, if there be no mistake in the reports of those who have seen them, are said scarce to exceed the size of what are commonly, but erroneously, termed ant's eggs, (which in reality are the cases including the aureliæ or pupæ of those insects.) The color of the bird is a pale yellow. It is, however, principally on the faith of drawings that we are enabled to describe the bird itself, which, though the nest is often seen in museums, does not yet appear to have been in the possession of any scientific European naturalist. It is an inhabitant of several parts of India. In forming its nest it sometimes makes use of a dead or withered leaf, which it connects to a living one; at other times uses but one leaf, sewing together the opposite edges. A nest of this bird has been figured in Mr. Pennant's Indian Zoology, in which the former of these methods has been practised.

It has been already observed, that it is chiefly amongst the birds of India that these extraordinary instances of ingenuity occur. In Europe, the dangers to which these animals are liable during their state of incubation are comparatively few; while in India, where every thicket conceals the gliding
serpent,

serpent, and tribes of restless animals of the monkey kind are perpetually wandering about the woods, such an increase of foresight in the feathered tribe is the more necessary, in order to guard them from the numerous dangers to which they would otherwise be exposed.

PLEURONECTES ROSEUS.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Caput parvum: *Oculi* in eodem capitis latere.

Corpus compressum, altero latere subconvexo dorsum, altero plano pallidiore abdomen referente.

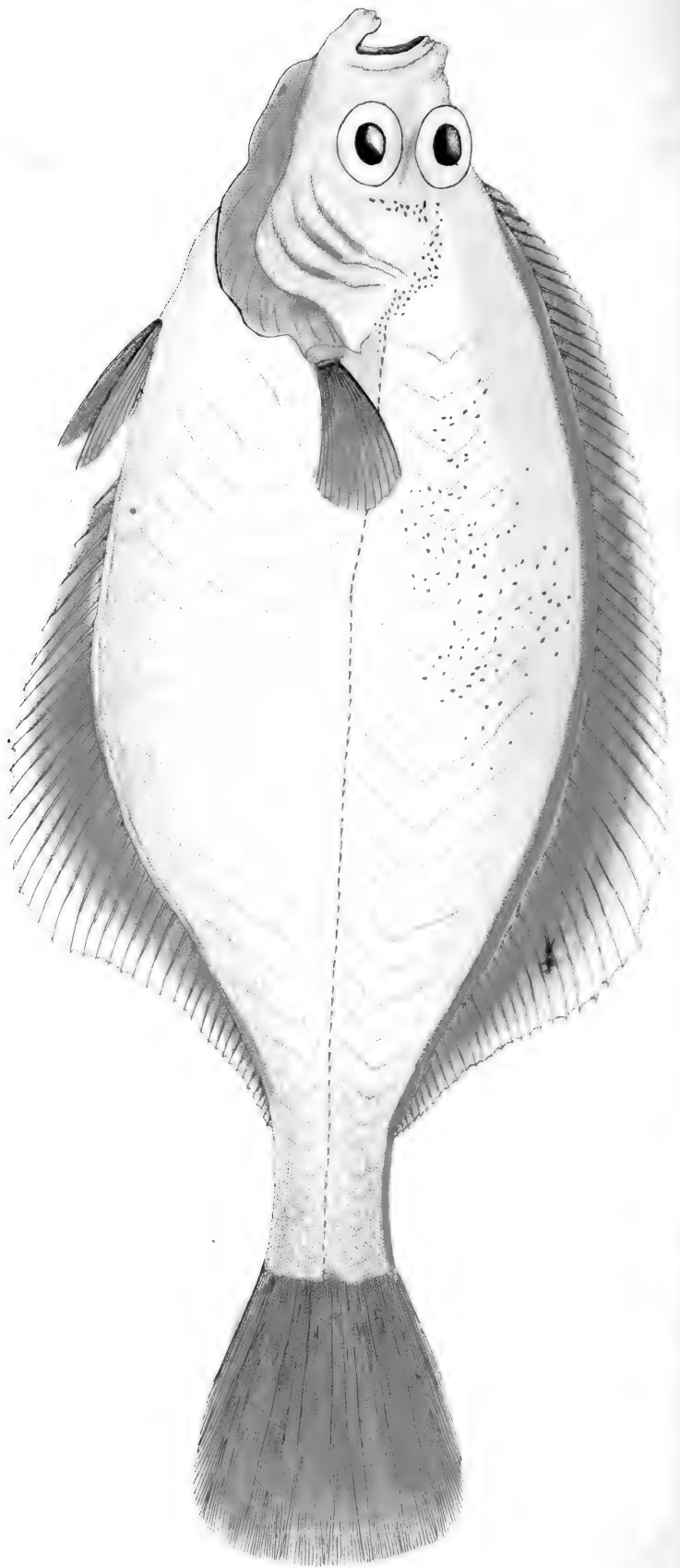
CHARACTER SPECIFICUS.

PLEURONECTES oculis dextris, corpore roseo.

Pinn: pect: rad: 12. ventr. 7. dorf. 60. an. 42. caud. 20.

Continet genus *Pleuronectes* pisces qui vulgo *compressi* nominantur. Huic fere nullus est colorum pulchriorum decor. Sunt sane species aliquot exoticæ quæ variatum jactant splendorem. Europæarum vix ullam novimus præter *Pleuronectem Platteffam* hoc nomine dignam memorari; si excipiamus speciem de qua jam agitur, non quidem rutilam, sed certe elegantem, suaviter nempe roseo-pallentem, partim subflavam, partim argenteo-albentem; inferius pallidiorem longe, seu fere albidam. *Pinnæ* caudaque pallent fusco-flavescentia. *Squamæ* nullæ sunt, sed *squamis* similia minuta quædam reticula.

cula. Caret quoque fere omni asperitate tum linea lateralis, tum origo seu basis pinnæ dorsualis. Inter Pleuronectes reponendus est piscis, quorum oculi a dextro latere fiti sunt. *Pleuronecti Flefo* Linnæi admodum affinis est, cujus forsan primo visu varietas haberi possit. Verifimilius tamen est speciem esse revera diversam, nec antea descriptam. In Museo Leveriano exstat specimèn ipsissimum, quod in Thamesi captum est, triennio jam abhinc elapso.



THE
ROSE-COLOURED FLOUNDER.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Head small: *Eyes* both seated on the same side of the head.

Body compressed; somewhat convex and coloured on one side; flat and paler on the other.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

ROSE-COLOURED FLOUNDER, with eyes towards the right.

Obs. In the pectoral fins about 12 rays, in the ventral 7, in the dorsal 60, in the anal 42. In the tail about 20.

The genus *Pleuronectes*, which contains the fish commonly known by the title of flat-fish, is in general not remarkable for elegance of color: some few indeed of the exotic species are beautifully variegated; but of those which are natives of Europe the *Pleuronectes Plateffa* or *Plaife* is perhaps the most decorated. The fish here represented, (if indeed it be really a distinct species, and not a variety of some other,) seems to afford an exception to this rule, and
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is of a color which, if not radiant, must at least be considered as highly elegant; viz. a most delicate rose-color, which in some parts is slightly tinged with yellowish, and in others with silvery white. The lower surface of the fish is still paler, or very nearly white, and the fins and tail are of a pale yellow brown. It is destitute of scales, though marked by very minute scale-like points or reticulations. It is also nearly void of all asperity, either on the side-line, or at the origin of the back-fin, &c. It seems most allied to the *Pleuronectes Flesus*, of which it might perhaps on a cursory view be supposed a variety. There is, however, great reason to believe it a totally new and hitherto undescribed species. It was taken in the Thames about three years ago, and is now in the Leverian Museum.

ASCIDIA PEDUNCULATA.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Corpus fixum, teretiufculum, vaginans.

Aperturæ binæ ut plurimum ad fummitatem.

Lin. Syst. Nat. Gmel. p. 3127.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

ASCIDIA stipite longiffimo, capitulo ovato, apertura utraque terminali.

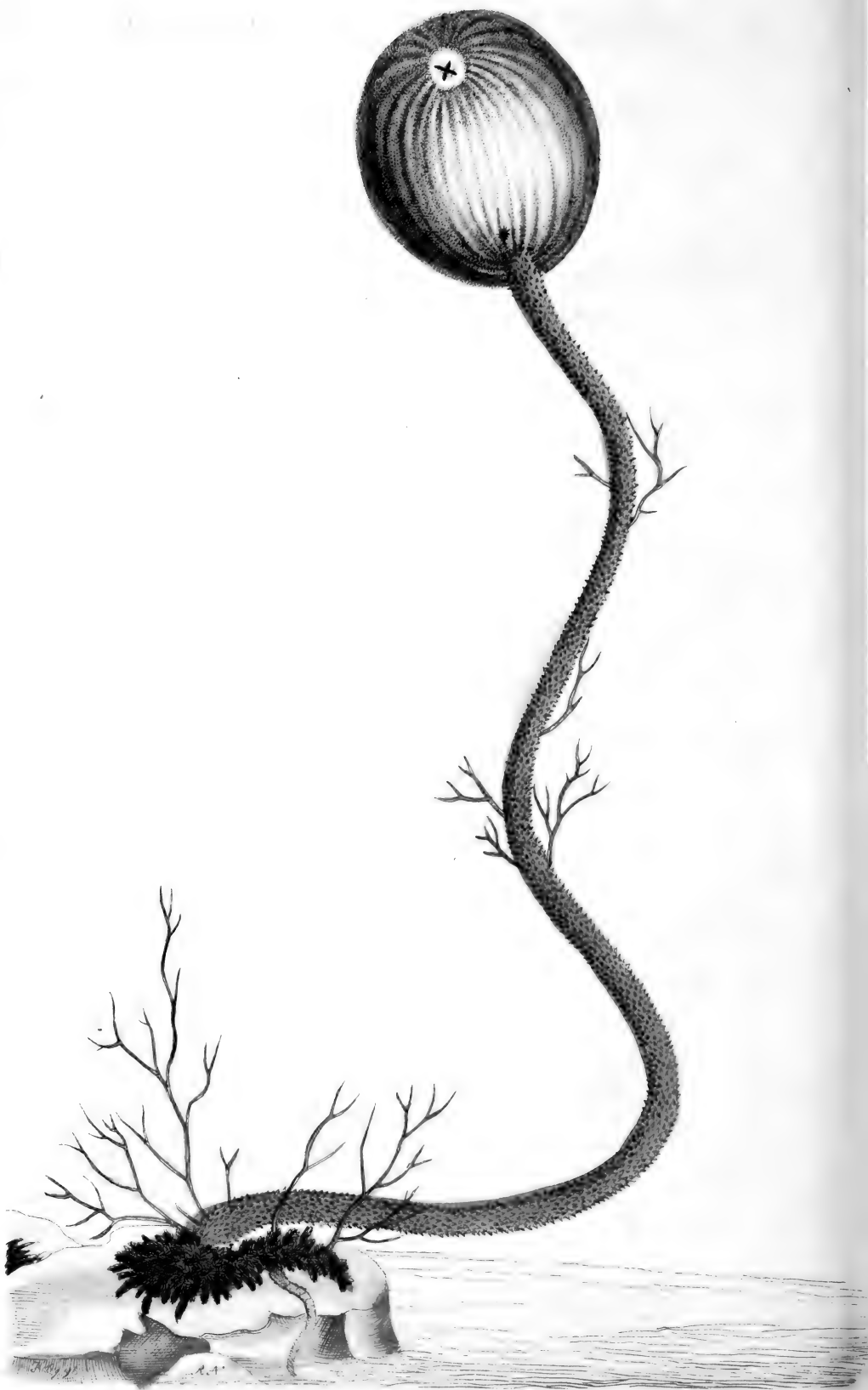
ASCIDIA stipite fenfim attenuato, capitulo fufiformi, apertura utraque terminali.

Lin. Syst. Nat. Gmel. p. 3127.

VORTICELLA OVIFERA.

Lin. Syst. Nat. Edit. 12. p. 1319.

Afcidiam clavatam, qua rariorem nullam continet genus, in hoc opere antea descripfimus. Species de qua jam agitur, licet illi valde fit affinis, non modo corpus habet multo rotundius, fed et foramina ambo terminalia, feu non in lateribus fita. Corpus fubrubrum et læve. Stipes fufco-rubet, fcaber, fetulis parvulis feu fpiculis obfitus. Maria incolit Septentrionalia Afcidia pedunculata, rupibus, lapidibus, conchisque majoribus plerumque affixa.



PEDUNCULATED ASCIDIA.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

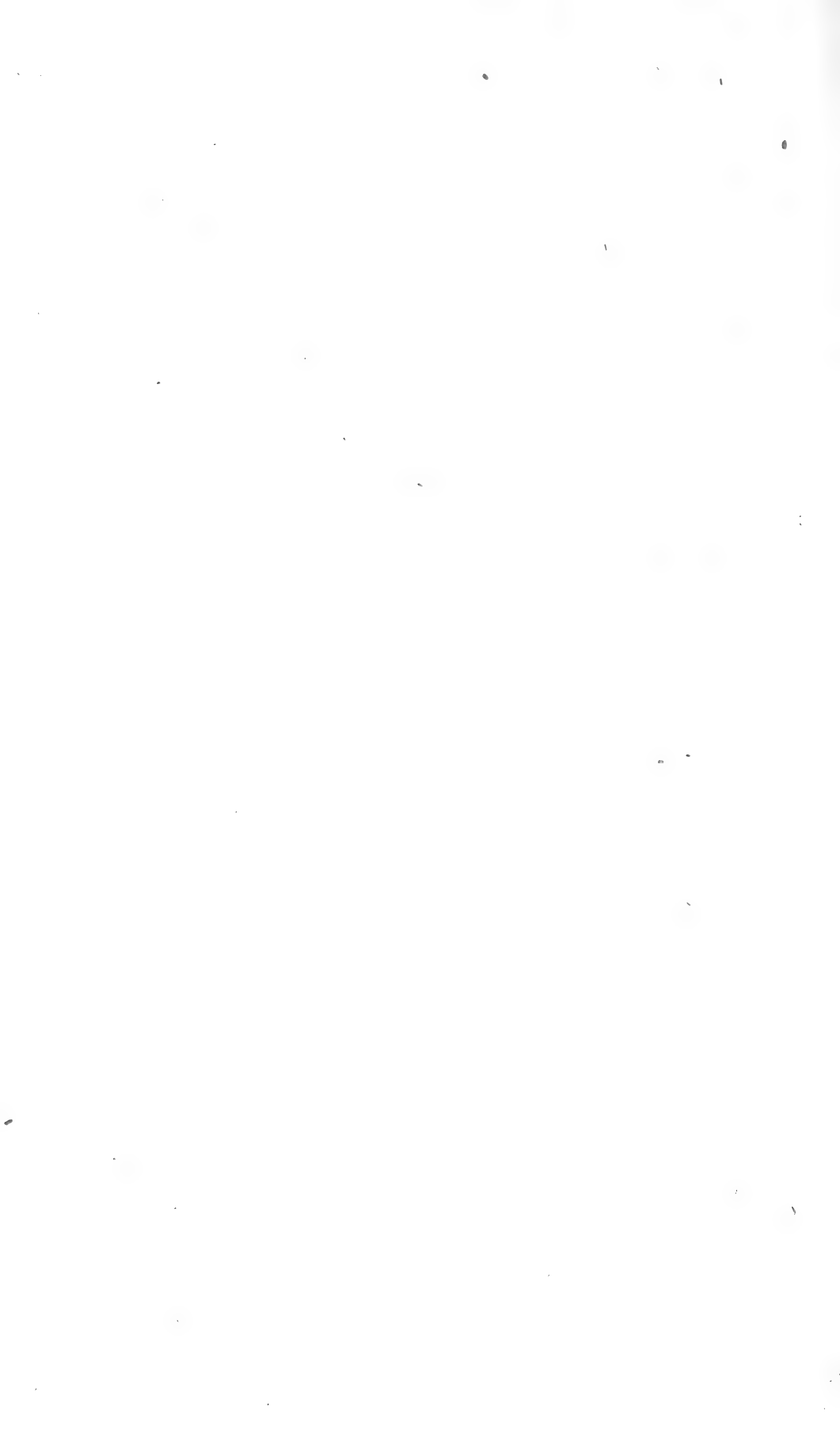
Body fixed, approaching more or less to a cylindrical shape; in some species sessile; in others supported on a pedicle.

Apertures in most species two: situated towards the upper part.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

LONG-STALKED ASCIDIA with oval body and two terminal apertures.

The *Ascidia clavata*, one of the rarest and most curious animals of its genus, has already been described in the present work. The species now represented is much allied to it in general appearance, but differs in the shape of the body, which is much rounder, and in the situation of the apertures, which are terminal instead of lateral, as in the former animal. The body is of a reddish color, and smooth: the stem of a darker red, and rough, or beset with minute bristles or spicula. It is a native of the Northern seas, and is generally found affixed either to stones, rocks, or large shells.



LOXIA ORIX.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Rostrum conico-gibbum, frontis basi rotundatum
versus caput: Mandibula inferior margine
lateralis inflexa.

Nares in basi rostri minutæ rotundæ.

Lingua integra.

Lin. Syst. Nat. Gmel. p. 843.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

LOXIA GRISEA, rostro, fronte abdomineque
nigris, collo uropygioque fulvis.

Lin. Mant. 1771. p. 527.

EMBERIZA ORIX.

Lin. Syst. 1. p. 309.

CARDINALIS capitis Bonæ Spei.

Briff. 3. p. 114.

LOXIA ORIX.

Lin. Syst. Nat. Gmel. p. 863.

In bonæ spei promontorio generata hæc avis, se-
dem sibi præcipue quærit in locis aquosis, nidum
ponens inter arundines. Ostendit tabula veram avis
magnitudinem.



THE
GRENADIER GROSBEAK.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Bill strong, and convex above and below, very thick at the base.

Nostrils small and round.

Tongue as if cut off at the end.

Pennant.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

BROWN GROSBEAK, with the face and under part of the body black; the neck, back, and rump orange-scarlet.

GRENADIER GROSBEAK.

Lath. Syn. 2. p. 120.

Le CARDINAL du Cap de Bonne Esperance.

Briff. orn. 3. p. 114.

Buff. ois. 3. p. 496.

This bird is a native of the Cape of Good Hope, where it frequents watery places; building its nest among reeds: it is figured in its natural size.



TÆNIA VULGARIS.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Corpus depresso, articulatum.

Caput osculis fuctoriis quatuor, duplicique serie uncinorum exfertilium et retractilium.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

TÆNIA longissima, articulis latis brevibus.

TÆNIA VULGARIS.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 1323.

TÆNIA orificio ovorum duplici: altero in tergo ovarii punctiformi, altero ante illud posito papilliformi expressili.

Lin. Syst. Nat. Gmel. p. 3065.

Habitu et conformatione totius corporis, et vivendi modo, nescio annon mirabilior sit immensa ista cohors nomine *vermium* physicis cognita, quam ipsa etiam majora animalia. Auxit in tantum hanc zoologiæ partem indomita hodiernorum philosophorum diligentia, ut major longe sit *vermium* nume-

rus

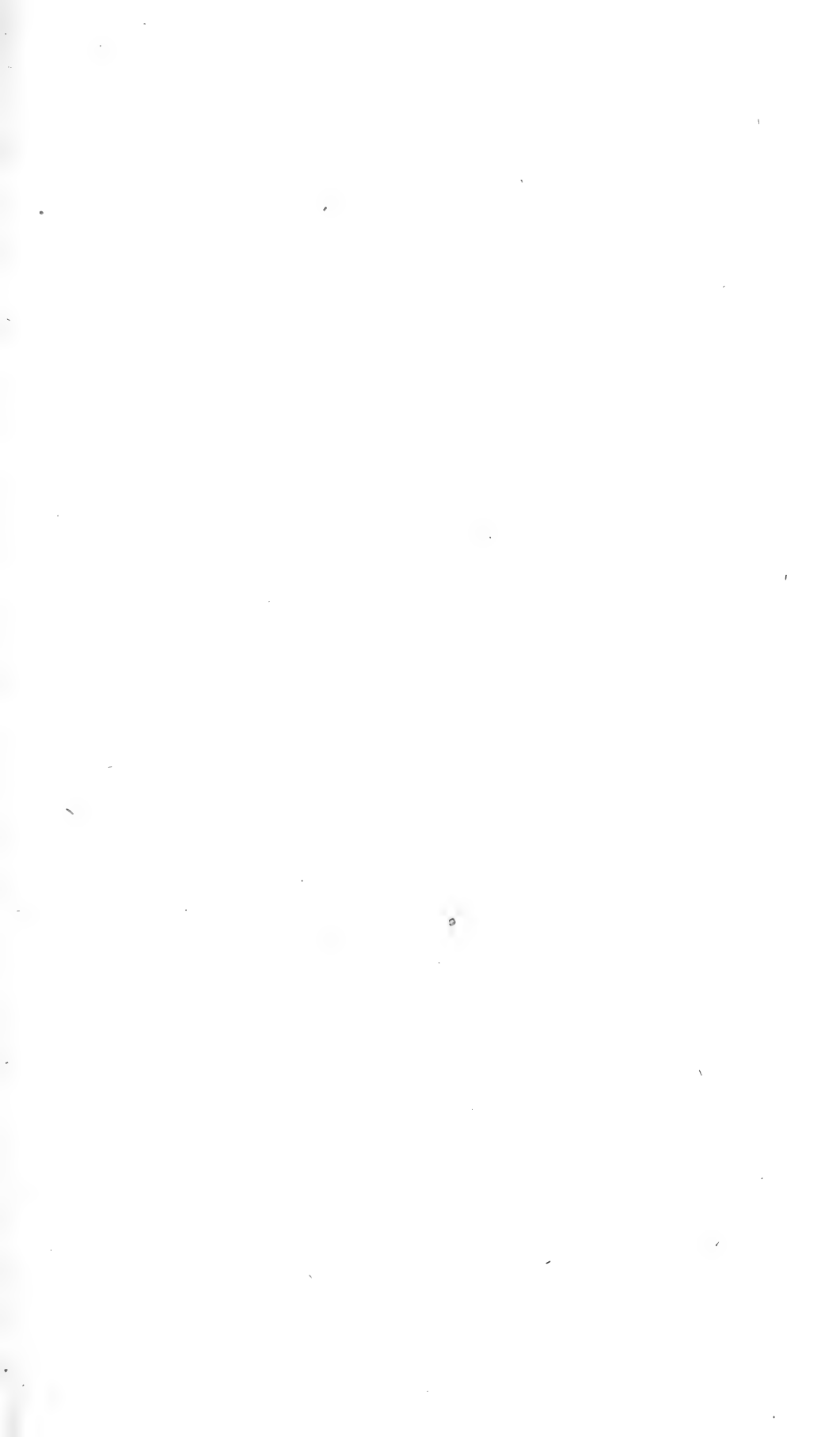
rus quam antea potuit cogitari. Tædio tamen esset plerisque lectoribus eos qui *viscerales* vulgo vocantur minutius enumerare: sunt enim nonnulla in naturæ investigatione quæ scire forsan infelicius sit quam nescire: nec sine perturbatione animi contemplari possumus foedam istam et odiosam animalculorum turbam, quæ, quantum adhuc compertum est, ad hoc ipsum nata videntur ut per aliorum animalium viscera pererrent, ibique sedem habeant quasi propriam et sibi destinatam; nusquam enim alibi conspiciuntur; immo nec carere iis animalia recens nata pro certo cognitum est: quod jam olim nec Hippocratem latuit. Sed de his satis. De tænia jam speciatim tractabimus quam ostendit tabula.

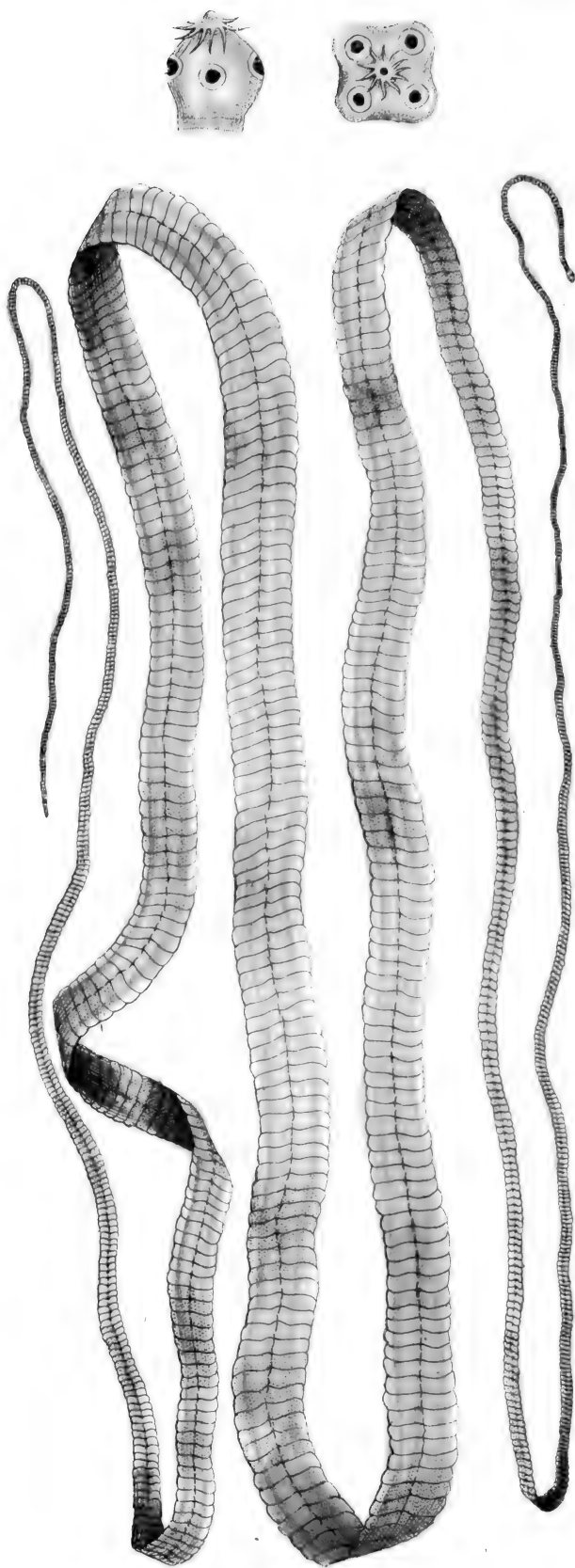
Tæniarum, quæ corpus humanum infestare solent, præcipuæ sunt tænia vulgaris, et tænia *Solium* Linnæi; quarum interdum pene incredibilis longitudo dirissima intulit symptomata. Harum priorem depinximus. Difficilimum est specimen perfectum et integrum nancisci, cum diffracta plerumque sit vel ima vel superior pars; eo sæpius quod magna sit iis repullulandi vis, et insitum sit in singulo corporis segmento vitæ principium, adeo ut sponte se contrahat seu extendat unum aliquod a cæteris avulsum, quasi nullam omnino senserit injuriam.

Figuræ superiores capita tæniarum demonstrant microscopio aucta, eo magis notatu digna quod Linnæum plene refellant, qui in systematis naturæ editione duodecima asserit nullum esse iis caput re-
vera

vera diversum a corpore, et errasse vult Tysonum aliosque, qui caput notarunt depinxeruntque.

Addendum porro est tænias esse oviparas, et e foraminibus quæ sunt in lateribus corporis ova numerosissima excludere.





THE
BROAD-JOINTED TAPE-WORM,



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Body depressed, jointed.

Head furnished with four orifices for suction, and (generally) with a double series of retractile hooks or holders.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

Very long TÆNIA, with broad, short joints.

The broad TÆNIA.

The short-jointed TAPE-WORM.

The numerous tribes of beings distinguished in modern natural history by the title of *Vermes*, exhibit perhaps more curious and striking particularities in their conformation, habits, and general appearance, than even the superior orders of the animal kingdom.

The additions to this branch of zoology by the persevering researches of modern Naturalists, are in the highest degree curious, and prove the number
of

of these wonderful animals to be far greater than before imagined.

To the generality of readers, however, a too particular enumeration of the visceral vermes, though abounding in curiosity, might be unpleasing; and it is perhaps one of the few cases in which an ignorance of natural history contributes, in some degree, to our happiness; since it must be allowed that a full survey of the modern discoveries on this subject excites ideas unfavourable to our own repose; nor is it possible to survey, without a mixture of horror and astonishment, the numerous list of those disgusting inmates, which, for reasons uninvestigable by human wisdom, are permitted to take up their abode in the internal parts of different animals; and which seem, so far as the utmost research of Naturalists has been capable of discovering, to be intended for the real and proper inhabitants of those situations, being undiscoverable in any other place. As a convincing proof of this, it is certain, that in animals recently born, their existence has been ascertained; an observation which did not escape the attention of Hippocrates.

But to return to the immediate subject of the present paper; of the *Tæniæ* which infest the human species the most remarkable are the *Tænia vulgaris*, and the *Tænia Solium* of Linnæus; each of which has sometimes been found of an incredible length, and productive of the most distressing symptoms.

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It is the former of these which is represented on the present plate. It is not often that a complete specimen can be seen, as it generally happens that either the upper or lower part is broken off; a circumstance which is extremely common in these animals, which possess a high degree of reproductive power, and may be considered as possessing the vital principle in every joint or segment, which, when separated from the rest, continues to move in various directions, as if uninjured by its disassociation from the general chain.

The upper figures represent the heads of *Tæniæ*, as they appear when magnified, and which are the more worthy of observation, as they so completely demonstrate the absurdity of the doctrine delivered by Linnæus in the twelfth edition of the *Systema Naturæ*; viz. that these animals are destitute of a distinct head, and that Tyson and others, who had described them with one were entirely mistaken.

It should be added, that the *Tæniæ* are oviparous animals, and discharge their numerous eggs from the lateral foramina of their bodies.

CORYPHÆNA HIPPURUS.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Caput maxime truncato-declive.

Membrana branchiostega radiis quinque.

Pinna dorfalis longitudine dorfi.

Lin.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

CORYPHÆNA THALASSINA, aurantio-guttata, dorso cæruleo, cauda bifida.

CORYPHÆNA cauda bifida, radiis dorfalibus sexaginta.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 446.

CORYPHÆNA pinna ani radiis viginti quinque.

Bloch. Aufl. Fisch 2. p. 143. t. 174.

Generi Coryphænæ, ut plurimum, obtigit insolitus colorum splendor; cujus variæ species vel ipsis pulcherrimis Labris Zeisq̄ue non cedunt, immo etiam nec auratis fulgentissimisq̄ue Cyprinis. Species, quam jam memoravimus, in mari Mediterraneo non raro invenitur; illamque interdum gravi errore

errore Delphinis nomine vocaverunt nonnulli. In longitudinem quatuor vel etiam quinque pedum crescit. Pernicissimus est piscis et prædando vitam sustinet.



THE
COMMON CORYPHÆNA.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Head flogging suddenly downwards.

Gill-covers five-rayed.

Dorsal Fin the length of the back.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

SEA-GREEN CORYHÆNA, spotted with orange, with blue back and forked tail.

The COMMON CORYPHÆNA.

The SEA-GREEN SPOTTED CORYPHENE,
popularly called the Dolphin.

The genus *Coryphæna* is distinguished in general by a more than usual gaiety of color; many of the species being equal in brilliancy to the richest of the *Labri* and *Zei*, or even to the golden splendor of some of the *Cyprini*. The particular species here represented is not unfrequently found in the Mediterranean, and has sometimes been most erroneously called by the title of *Dolphin*. It grows to the length of four, or even five feet. It is extremely swift and vigorous, and of a predacious nature.



ORIOLOUS XANTHORNUS.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Rostrum conicum, convexum, acutissimum, rectum: mandibula superiore paulo longiore, obsolete emarginata.

Lingua bifida, acuta.

Pedes ambulatorii.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 160.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

ORIOLOUS LUTEUS, gula, remigibus rectricibusque nigris.

Lin. Syst. Nat. Gmel. p. 391.

XANTHORNUS MEXICANUS.

Briss. av. 2. p. 118. t. 11. f. 2.

AVIS AYOQUANTOTOTL.

Hern. mex. 54.

Seb. Mus. 2. p. 102, t. 96. f. 4.

Oriolus Xanthornus in insula Jamaica præcipue invenitur: tabula avis magnitudinem naturalem exprimit.

THE
LESSER BANANA-BIRD.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Bill conic, convex, very sharp-pointed, straight: the upper mandible rather longer than the lower, and slightly emarginated.

Tongue bifid, sharp-pointed.

Feet formed for walking.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

GOLD-YELLOW ORIOLE, with black throat, quills, and tail.

The LESSER BANANA-BIRD.

Lath. Syn. 1. p. 438.

LE CAROUGE.

Brieff. orn. 2. p. 118. pl. 11. f. 2.

Buf. oif. 3. p. 247.

Pl. enl. 535. f. 1.

The Oriolus Xanthornus or lesser Banana-Bird is chiefly found in the Island of Jamaica: it is represented on the plate in its natural size.



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VOLUTA.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Animal Limax.

Testa unilocularis, spiralis.

Apertura ecaudata subeffusa.

Columella plicata: Labio Umbilicove (ut plurimum) nullo.

Lin. Syst Nat. Gmel. p. 3459.

VOLUTA EPISCOPALIS.



CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

VOLUTA testa lævi, anfractuum margine integro, columella quadriplicata.

VOLUTA EPISCOPALIS.

Lin. Syst. Nat. Gmel. p. 3459.

VOLUTA MITRA *episcopalis*.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 1194.

MITRA EPISCOPI.

Rumph. mus. t. 29. f. K.

Seb. mus. 3. t. 51. f. 8.—16.

VOLUTA PAPALIS.



CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

VOLUTA testa transversim striata, anfractuuum
margine labroque denticulatis, columella qua-
driplicata.

VOLUTA PAPALIS.

Lin. Syst. Nat. Gmel. p. 3459.

VOLUTA MITRA *papalis*.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 1195.

MITRA PAPALIS.

Seb. mus. 3. t. 51. f. 1.—5.

Rumf. t. 29. f. 1.

Adeo inter se affines sunt conchæ in tabula de-
pictæ, ut Linnæus in editione duodecima Systema-
tis Naturæ dubitasse omnino videtur, sintne species
revera diversæ; cum ambas eodem nomine communi
designaverit, nempe *Volutæ Mitræ*. Speciem læ-
vem, mitram scilicet *episcopalem* decorant plerum-
que maculæ pulchre rubentes, sed pallidulæ, forma
fere quadrata. *Mitra papalis* e contrario maculis
aspergitur, quarum forma inæqualior, colorque
multo faturator, et rubro-ferrugineus. Inveniun-
tur

tur ambæ in mari Indico, et recentes cooperiuntur epidermide, seu pellicula tenui fusco-flavescente. Quod incolit eas animal venenatum esse dicitur, et mucrone quodam seu proboscide acuminata tangentes vulnerare.

THE
MITRE VOLUTES.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Animal resembling a Limax or Slug.

Shell unilocular, spiral.

Pillar or Column twisted or plaited.

THE
EPISCOPAL VOLUTE.



SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

Smooth white Volute with squarish red spots;
the edges of the spires entire; the pillar with
four wreaths.

The SMOOTH MITRE-SHELL.

La MITRE.

Argenv. conch. pl 9. f. C.

La MITRE EPISCOPALE.

Knorr. 1. pl. 6. f. 2.



THE
PAPAL VOLUTE.



SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

Transversely striated white Volute with irregular dark-red spots; the edges of the spires toothed; the pillar with four wreaths.

The ROUGH or TOOTHED MITRE-SHELL.

The PAPAL MITRE.

La TIARE.

Argens. pl. 9. f. E.

La COURONNE PAPALE.

Knorr. 1. pl. 6. f. 1.

The two shells at present figured, are so very nearly allied, that Linnæus, in the twelfth edition of the *Systema Naturæ*, seems to have considered them as scarce specifically distinct; and has therefore included them both under the common title of *Voluta Mitra*. In the smooth sort, or *M. episcopalis*, the spots are commonly of a bright, though somewhat pale red, and of a shape much inclining to square:

square: on the contrary, in the *M. papalis* they are of a very deep or brownish red, as well as much more irregular in their form. Both are natives of the Indian ocean, and, when recent, are covered with a thin, yellowish-brown epidermis or cuticle. The inhabiting animal is said to be of a poisonous nature, and to wound those who touch it with a kind of pointed trunk.

LOPHIUS HISTRIO.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Caput (corpufque plerifque) depreffum.

Dentes plurimi; acuti.

Oculi verticales.

Corpus squamis nudum, informe.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

LOPHIUS subflavescens, corpore compreffo tumido, maculis irregularibus nigricantibus variato.

LOPHIUS HISTRIO.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 403.

Bloch. ichth. t. 111.

Ob formam quam fortitus est fingularem et inufitatam, putemus potius hunc pifcem monffrum quoddam feu piftoris lufum quam ipfius naturæ artificium. Maris Americani Australis incola est et prope oras Brafilienfes plerumque confpicitur. Peculiare quiddam et infolitum est in tuberibus illis elongatis quæ ex capite excrescunt, nec fatis adhuc patet cuiusnam ufui inferviant. Pinnæ anteriores, pedibus

simillimæ, inutiles feruntur ad progrediendum. Ni fallor tamen, auctor cujusdam operis ichthyologici, (Dominus Renard?) se vidisse Lophium asserit, qui ex aqua captus per tres dies servaretur, circa domum more canis ambulans. Raro pede longior est, et longe minora sunt specimina, quotquot vidi, in Europam advecta. Color fusco-flavescens, subtus pallidior, totumque corpus maculis plurimis fusco-nigricantibus indiscriminatim notatum. Prædando vitam sustentat Lophius Histrion.



THE
HARLEQUIN LOPHIUS.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Head (and body in most species) depressed.

Eyes vertical.

Teeth numerous, minute, sharp.

Body destitute of scales.

Shape uncouth.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

YELLOWISH LOPHIUS, with compressed tumid body, variegated with irregular blackish spots.

The SPOTTED FROG-FISH.

The HARLEQUIN FROG-FISH.

The shape of this animal is so highly singular as to resemble at first view some fanciful production of the pencil rather than any real existence. It is a native of the South-American ocean, and is chiefly found near the coasts of Brasil. The lengthened processes on the head are of a very peculiar and unusual structure, and their use is not perfectly clear.

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The anterior fins bear a strong general resemblance to a pair of feet: yet it is said the animal has not the power of using them as such. If, however, I am not mistaken, a certain author, (Mons. Renard?) in his History of Fish, declares that he saw an instance of a fish of this species being kept for three days out of the water, and walking about the house in the manner of a dog. Its size is not large, very rarely exceeding the length of a foot; and the specimens seen in our museums are in general far smaller. The color is a yellowish brown, paler beneath, and the whole body is covered with numerous irregular blackish-brown marks or spots. It is a fish of a predacious nature.

LANIUS BARBARUS.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Rostrum rectiusculum, dente utrinque versus apicem, basi nudum.

Lingua lacera.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 134.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

LANIUS NIGER, subtus ruber, vertice femoribusque fulvis.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 137.

Brieff. av. 2. p. 185. t. 17. f. 2.

In Africa superiori nascitur Lanius Barbarus, in Senegala præcipue conspectus. Tabula illum magnitudine deminutum et fere dimidiatum monstrat. Coloribus interdum variat; vertice nempe ferrugineo potius quam luteo, corporeque subtus minus vivide rubro.

THE
BARBARY SHRIKE.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Bill straitish, with a tooth or small process on each side near the tip.

Tongue jagged.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

BLACK SHRIKE, red beneath, with the top of the head deep yellow.

Le GONOLEK.

Buf. ois. 1. p. 314.

PIE-GRIËCHE du SENEGAL.

Pl. enl. 56.

The Barbary Shrike is a native of the superior parts of Africa, and is principally found in Senegal. The plate represents it diminished to near half the natural size. In color it sometimes varies; the top of the head being rather ferruginous than yellow, and the red on the under parts of a less vivid appearance.



L. V.

Contopus richardsoni (Aud.) *Contopus richardsoni* (Aud.) *Contopus richardsoni* (Aud.)

MEDUSA NAVICULA.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Corpus gelatinosum, orbiculatum, depresso.

Os subtus, centrale.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 1096.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

MEDUSA ovalis cærulea, oblique cristata, crista bipartita, subtus tentaculis numerosissimis.

HOLOTHURIA spirans.

Lin. Syst. Nat. Gmel. p. 3143.

Forsk. Fn. Æg. Arab. p. 104. n. 15.

Pulcherrimum animal in tabula depictum in mari Mediterraneo frequentissime conspicitur, super aquas, more Medusæ Velellæ, cui admodum affine est, velificans. Veram ejus magnitudinem cernere est in tabula.

THE
SKIFF MEDUSA.



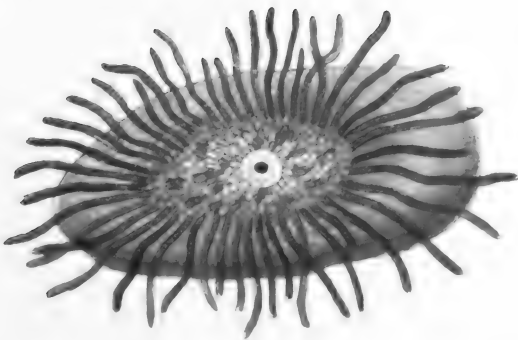
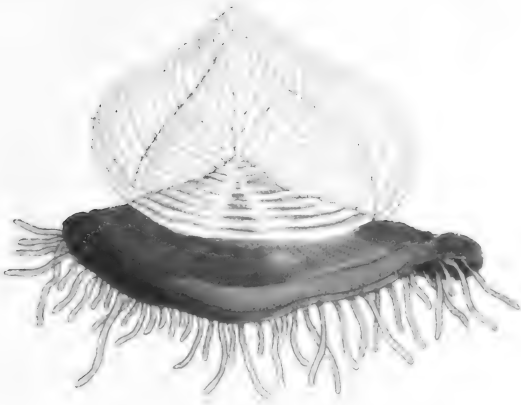
GENERIC CHARACTER.

Body gelatinous, orbicular, commonly depressed.
Mouth central, beneath.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

OVAL BLUE MEDUSA, with oblique, divided crest, and very numerous tentacula beneath.

The beautiful animal here figured is very frequently observed in the Mediterranean sea, sailing on the surface of the water in the manner of the Medusa Velella, to which it is extremely nearly allied: it is represented in its natural size.



BULLA ACHATINA.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Animal Limax.

Testa univalvis, convoluta, inermis.

Apertura subcoarctata, oblonga, longitudinalis,
basi integerrima.

Columella obliqua, lævis.

Lin. Syst Nat. p. 1181.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

BULLA testa ovata, apertura obovata apiceque
fanguineis, columella truncata.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 1186.

BULLA GALLICA.

Seb. Mus. 3. t. 71. 1. 2. 3. & 7. 8.

BUCCINUM cauda brevi, ore expanso.

Argenv. t. 10. f. E.

Perpulchram hanc concham parit America, et
Americæ adjacentes insulæ. Variat colore, qui in-
terdum fuscus, undis obscurioribus, interdum multo
splendore insignis quem cernere est in tabula. Spe-
cies

cies hæc terrestris? est et tenuis. Distinguitur varietas depicta apertura læte purpurea. Quod eam incolit animal limaci simillimum est. Non omnino persuasum mihi habeo debere hanc testam generi quod *Bullam* vocat Linnæus annumerari, cujus inter formam generalem et characteres huic non plene convenit.



THE
AGATE BULLA.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Animal resembling a Limax or Slug.

Shell univalve, convoluted.

Aperture somewhat straitened, oblong, longitudinal, entire at the base.

Column oblique and smooth.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

Ovate, pointed, wide-mouthed BULLA, with broad fasciæ, crimson mouth, and truncated column.

The AGATE BULLA.

The CRIMSON-MOUTHED BULLA.

This most elegant shell is a native of America and the West Indian islands. It varies considerably in point of color, being sometimes of a dusky brown, with deeper variegations; at other times ornamented with the beautiful hues represented on the annexed plate. This is commonly called the purple-mouthed variety.

variety. It is a land? shell, of a thin structure, and the inhabiting animal bears the most striking resemblance to the common snail. It may be added that it seems scarce allowable to rank this shell under the Linnæan genus *Bulla*, with the general form and characters of which it does not perfectly agree.

PIPRA AUREOLA.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Rostrum capite brevius, basi subtrigonum, integerrimum, apice incurvum.

Pedes gressorii.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 338.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

PIPRA NIGRA, capite pectoreque coccineis aut luteis.

PIPRA NIGRA, capite pectoreque coccineis, remigibus antrorsum macula alba.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 339.

PARUS AUREOLA.

Lin, Syst. Nat. ed. 10. p. 191.

PARUS RUBER et NIGER.

Edw. av. 2. p. 109. t. 261.

MANACUS RUBER.

Briff. av. 4. p. 452. t. 34. f. 3.

Coloribus variat *Pipra aureola*; interdum enim capite pectoreque coccineis, interdum luteis conspicitur. Americam incolit calidiorem et in Cayana præcipue invenitur. Magnitudinem veram exprimit tabula.

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THE
RED-AND-BLACK MANAKIN.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Bill shorter than the head, somewhat triangular at the base, bent at tip.

Feet gressorial.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

BLACK MANAKIN with the head and breast either scarlet or gold-yellow.

The RED and BLACK MANAKIN.

Edw. t. 261. f. 2.

Le MANAKIN rouge.

Buff. ois. 4. p. 415.

Le MANAKIN orangé.

Buf. ois. 4. p. 417.

Pl. enl. 34. f. 3. & 302. f. 2.

The *Pipra aureola* varies in color, being sometimes seen with the head and breast of a rich scarlet, at other times of a gold-yellow. It is an inhabitant of the hotter parts of America, and is principally found in Cayenne. The plate represents it in its natural size.

MEDUSA VELELLA.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Corpus gelatinosum, orbiculatum, depresso.
Os subtus, centrale.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

MEDUSA ovalis cærulea, oblique cristata, crista simplici, subtus tentaculis numerosissimis.

MEDUSA OVALIS, concentricè striata, margine ciliato, supra velo membranaceo.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 1098.

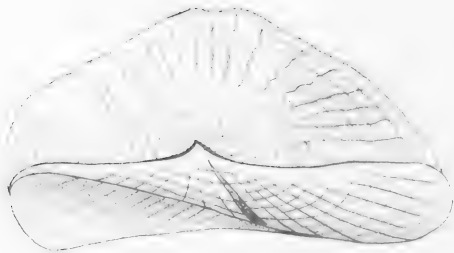
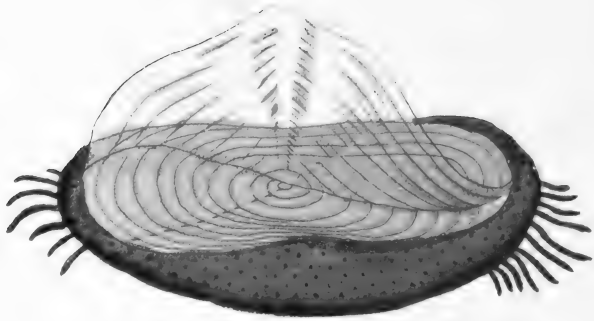
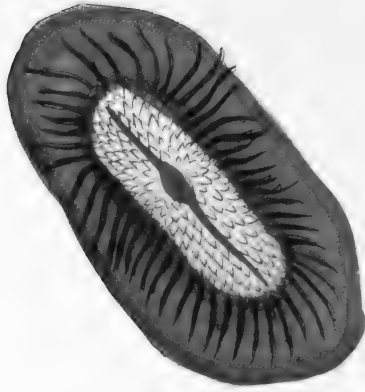
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VELUM marinum coloris cærulei.

Imperat. nat. 912.

Medusæ Velellæ cujus magnitudinem naturalem ostendit tabula, facies non modo singularis verum etiam est elegans. Constat animal e corpore complanato, tenui, ovato, lineis seu fibris plurimis concentricis pulchre notato. Lineis similiter ductis affurgit quasi velum latum et erectum quod superius oblique extenditur. Cingitur corpus serie tentaculorum

lorum parvorum quæ plurima ab ima parte protruduntur. Mare incolit Mediterraneum et Atlanticum bella hæc Medusa. Coloris est cærulei, velo quasi vitreo seu pellucido. Figura inferior fulcrum internum, seu cartilagineam membranaceam denudatam monstrat.



THE
SAILING MEDUSA.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Body gelatinous, orbicular, commonly depressed.
Mouth beneath, central.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

OVAL BLUE MEDUSA, with oblique simple
crest, and very numerous tentacula beneath.

The BLUE SAILING MEDUSA.

The Medusa Velella, which is here represented in its natural size, is an animal of a very singular as well as elegant appearance. It consists of a flat thin body, of an oval form, and beautifully marked by a great number of concentric lines or fibres. On the upper part is situated, in an oblique direction, an upright broad process or sail, marked in a similar manner with numerous concentric striæ. The body is surrounded by a series of tentacula or small processes, a great number of which arise from the lower part. This curious Medusa is found both

in the Mediterranean and Atlantic seas. It is of a blue color, except the sail, which is pellucid, and of a glassy appearance. The lower figure shews the internal fulcrum or membranaceous cartilage, the gelatinous part being taken off.

GRYLLUS CRISTATUS.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Caput inflexum, maxillosum, palpis instructum.

Antennæ fetaceæ, seu filiformes.

Alæ quatuor, deflexæ, convolutæ: inferiores plicatæ.

Pedes postici saltatorii. *Ungues* ubique bini.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 693.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

GRYLLUS MAGNUS, corpore rufo, thorace cristato, carina quadrifida, alis variegatis apice fuscis.

GRYLLUS thorace cristato, carina quadrifida.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 699.

GRYLLUS ex ÆGYPTO.

Olear. mus. t. 17. f. 5.

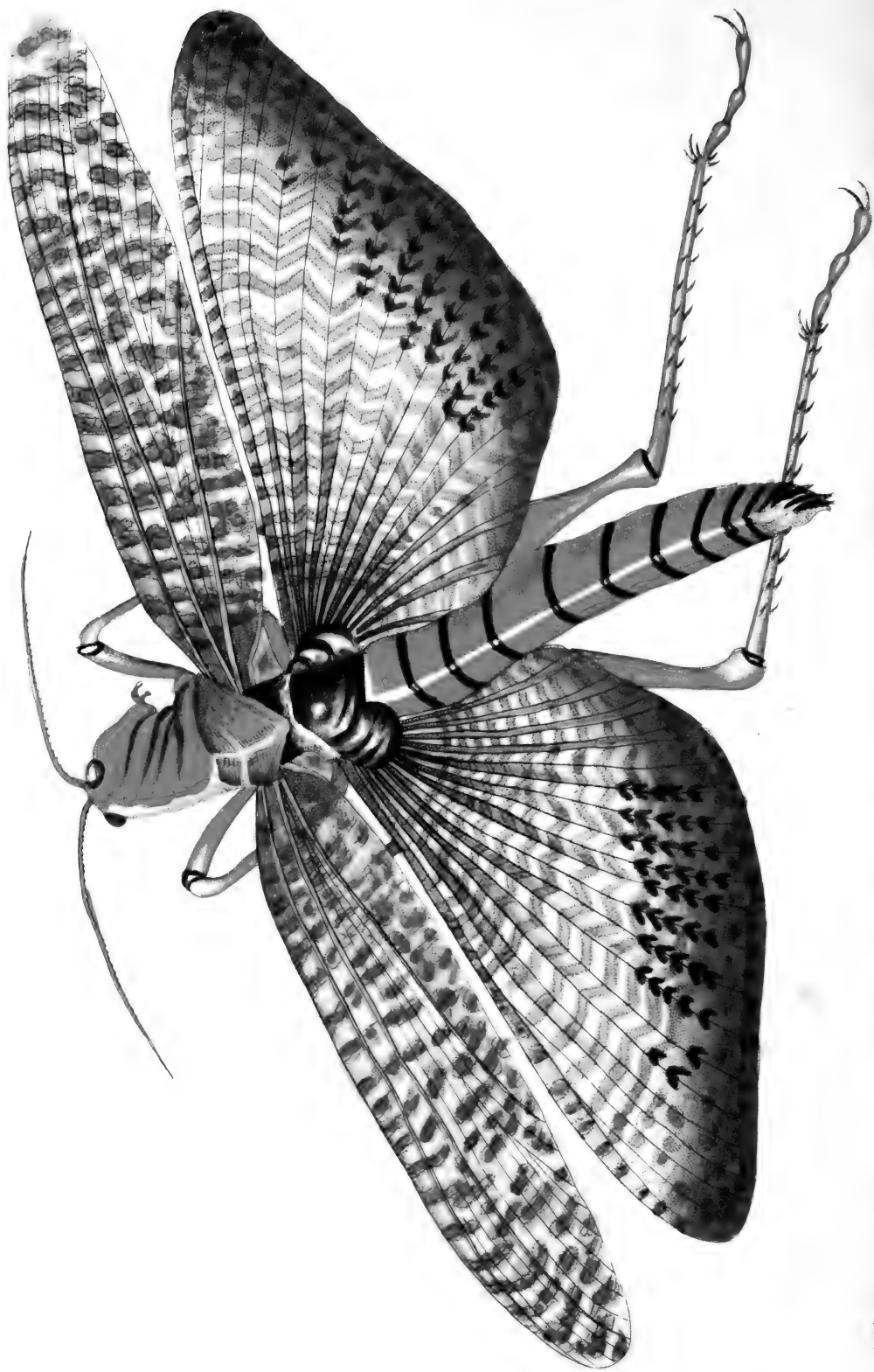
GRYLLUS ARABICUS.

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LOCUSTA INDICA.

Roes 2. t. 5.

Cum de Gryllo, migratorio Linnæi in hoc opere differemus, speciem longe majorem memoravimus, in variis Orientis regionibus cum reliquis sui generis pro cibo sumi solitam. Hanc ipsam magnitudine naturali jam depinximus. Color imus fusco-viridis, interdum ruber, maculis notisque tenebriosis variatus. Crura tantum non rubra. Alæ inferiores in nonnullis speciminibus rubent, in aliis fusco-pallent, maculis multis sagittatis viridibus vel nigricantibus, notatæ.



THE
EGYPTIAN LOCUST.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Head inflected, armed with jaws, and furnished with palpi or feelers.

Antennæ either setaceous or filiform.

Wings four, deflected, convolute; the lower ones plaited.

Hind-Feet formed for leaping. *Claws* on all the feet double.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

GREAT RED or BROWN LOCUST, with crested thorax and variegated wings.

The GREAT ARABIAN LOCUST.

The EGYPTIAN LOCUST.

In the description of the *Gryllus migratorius*, or wandering locust, described in a former number of the present work, I mentioned a species of far superior magnitude, which, together with others of the genus, is frequently used as an article of food in the

the Eastern nations. This species is now represented in its natural size. Its general color is a brownish green, sometimes red, varied with dusky spots and marks: the legs incline much to red: the under wings are in some specimens reddish; in others of a pale brown, with numerous arrow-shaped blackish or greenish spots.

TANAGRA DUBIA.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Rostrum conicum, acuminatum, emarginatum,
basi subtrigonum, apice declive.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 313.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS.

TANAGRA? nigra, humeris coccineis flavo
marginatis.

An varietas Orioli phoeniceii?

Oriolum phoeniceum Linnæi facile diceret hanc avem, formæ et colorum ambigua quadam similitudine deceptus, nisi quod paulo minor rostri habeat basin magis depressam, apicem minus acuminatum; ideoque hac ex parte Tanagras potius quam Oriolos referat. Americam septentrionalem incolit Oriolus phoeniceus; hæc autem avis creditur in Africa innasce. Minuitur paululum in tabula naturalis magnitudo.

THE
RED-SHOULDERED TANAGER.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Bill conic, acuminated, a little inclining towards the point; the upper mandible slightly ridged, and notched near the end.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

BLACK TANAGER? with red shoulders edged with yellow.

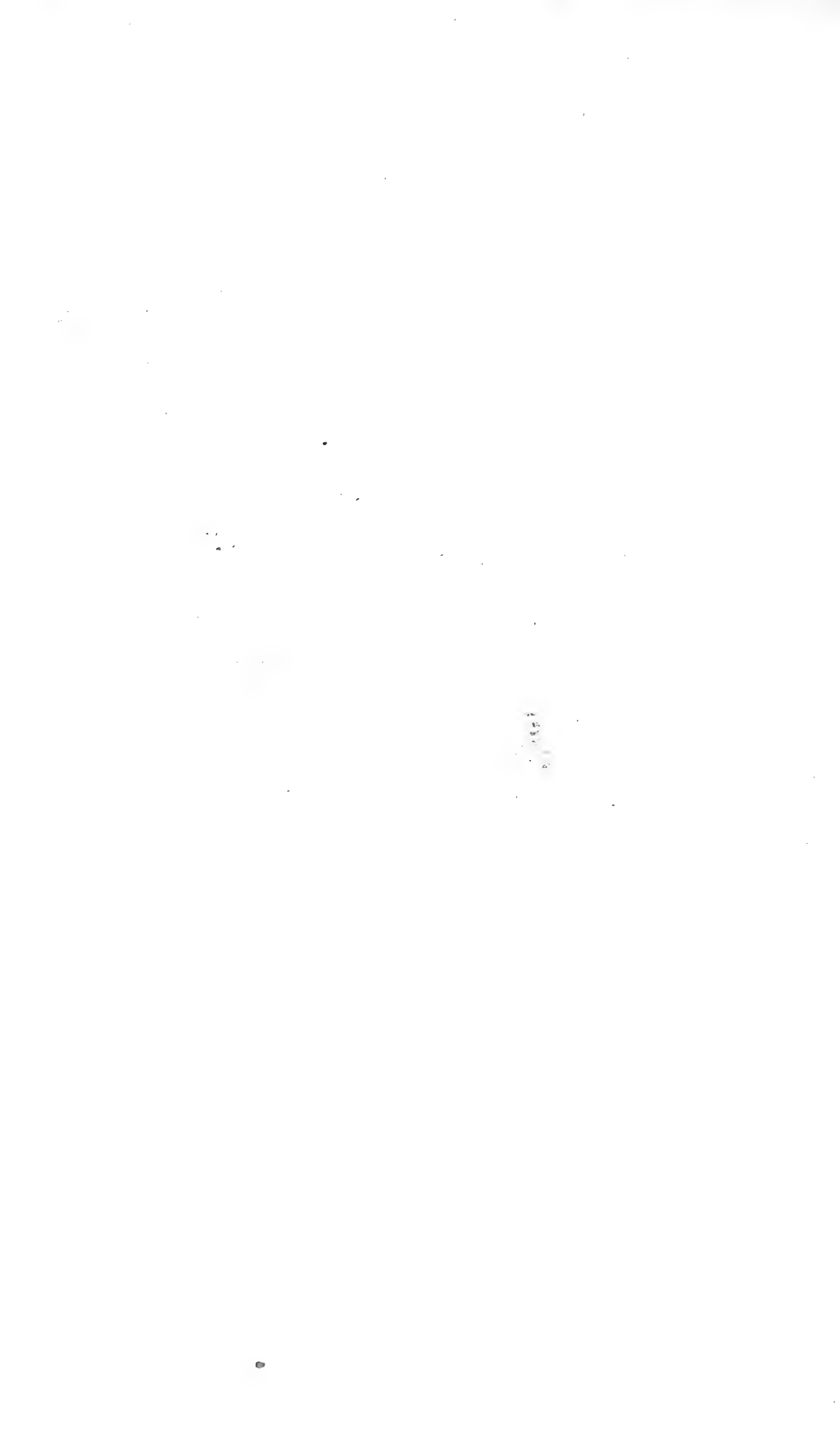
Var. Oriol. phoenic.??

So extremely similar is this bird in its general appearance and colors to the *Oriolus phoeniceus* of Linnæus, or red-winged Oriole, that it is scarce to be distinguished from it, except by its being of a somewhat smaller size, and having the beak somewhat flatter at the base, as well as less sharp at the tip; so that it more resembles the Tanagers than the Orioles. The *Oriolus phoeniceus* is a native of North America, but the bird here figured is believed to be an inhabitant of Africa. The plate represents it rather smaller than the natural size.



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OSTRACION MELEAGRIS.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Dentes teretes, porrecti, obtusifsculi.

Branchiarum apertura linearis.

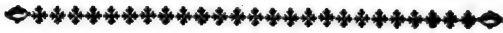
Corpus osse integro loricatum.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS.

OSTRACION subquadratus nigricans albo punctatus.

Facillime dignoscitur hæc species a reliquo genere, maculis innumeris albis et rotundis imo coloris, qui niger, belle et æqualiter super-impositis. Rarior est, et oceanum incolit australem. Variat magnitudine; interdum tamen longa est sex vel octo uncias.

THE
SPECKLED OSTRACION.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Teeth cylindric, blunt, pointing forwards.

Branchial Aperture linear.

Body mailed by a complete bony covering.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

BLACKISH OSTRACION, of a somewhat square form, speckled with white.

This species is readily distinguished from all others of its genus by the regular and beautiful manner in which it is marked with innumerable round spots of white on a black ground. It is a rare species, and is a native of the Southern ocean. In size it varies, but is sometimes seen of the length of six or eight inches.



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COLUBER DOLIATUS.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Scuta abdominalia.

Squamæ subcaudales.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 275.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

COLUBER LACTEUS, annulis in dorso nigris
ovatis approximatis.

Scut. abdom. 164. *Squam. subcaud.* 43.

Pulcher hic serpens, magnitudine naturali in tabula depictus; peculiari quadam concinnitate, et colorum simplicitate distinguitur. Lactææ est albedinis, per totum dorsum annulis ovatis nigerrimis notatæ, quorum extremitates sibi invicem appropinquantes, in summo dorso, fascias duplices referunt. Spatia tria prima his annulis inclusa prope caput, sunt coloris sub-gilvo flavescentis. Interdum ad latera ventris inter singulum anulum nigrum macula conspicitur nigricans. Inter serpentes innoxios numeratur hic serpens, et in Carolina australi præcipue invenitur.

THE
MAGPIE SNAKE.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Transverse *Lamellæ* under the abdomen.
Broad alternate *Scales* under the tail.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

MILK-WHITE SNAKE, marked on the back
with large approximated ovals of black.

Abdominal Lamellæ about 164. *Subcaudal scales*
about 43.

The elegant little snake here represented in its natural size, is distinguished by the remarkable neatness of its appearance, and the simplicity of its colors. It is milk-white, and marked down the whole length of the back with large oval rings of jet-black, the ends of which approaching each other on the top of the back, give the appearance of double bars: the three first spaces included by the ovals nearest the head are of a cream-color; and it sometimes happens that the sides of the body are marked by blackish spots between each of the oval rings. This animal is one of the harmless serpents, and is a native of South Carolina.



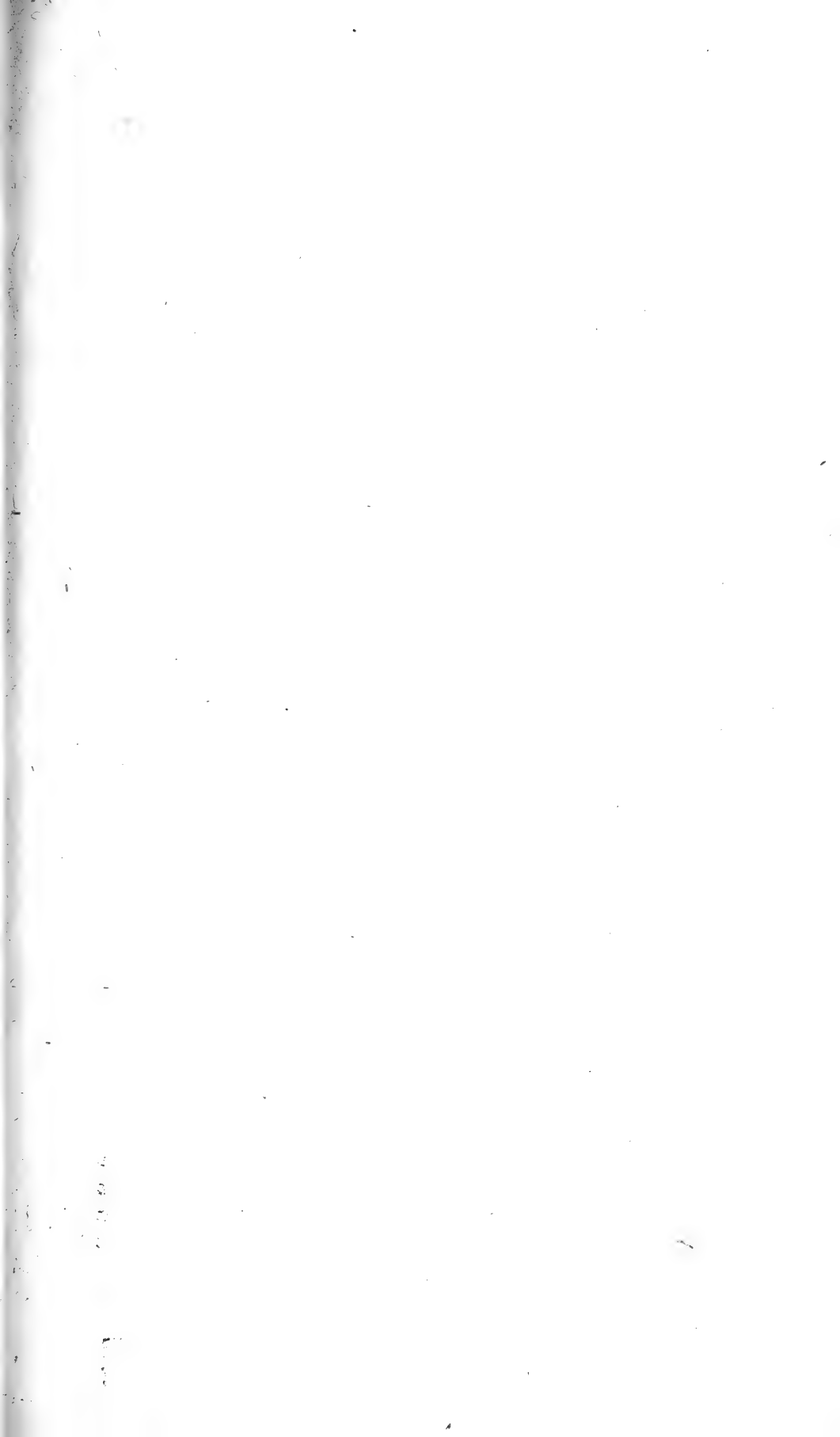


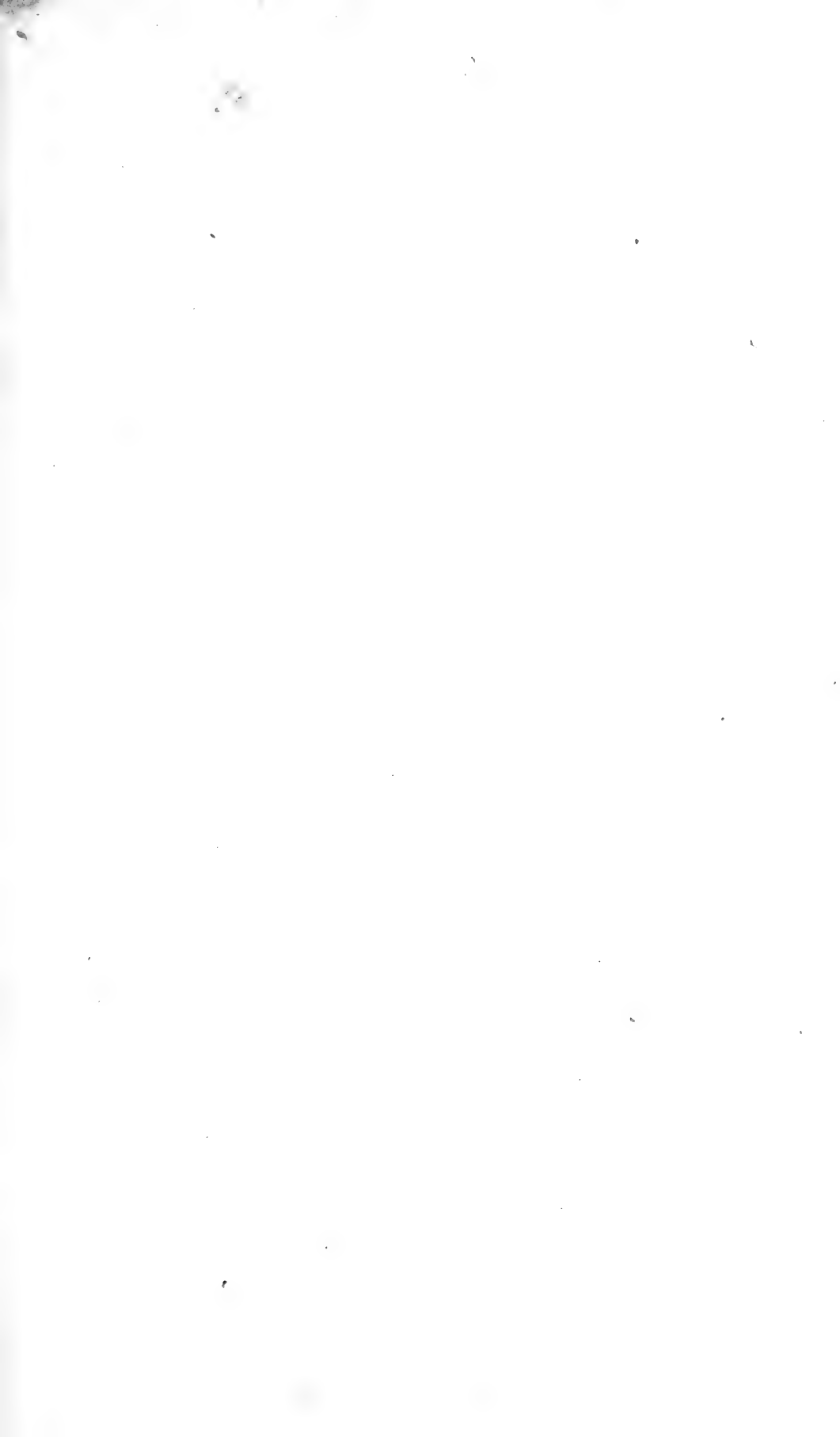
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