

the genus in their 'Genera of Recent Mollusca,' vol. i. p. 322.

I am unable to find where the above two species have been described. Can the former be *Monoceros imbricatum*, Lamk., from the above locality? and can the latter be a mistake for *nigra*, Quoy?

In the sixth volume of the 'Zoological Record,' p. 549, Von Martens mentions a species of *Planaxis* "from the Gulf of Akaba, shortly described by Issel, Malac. Mar. Ross. p. 196."

Subgenus HOLCOSTOMA.

Holcostoma piligerum. B.M.

Planaxis piliger, Philippi, Zeitschrift für Malak. 1848, p. 164.

Holcostoma setigerum, A. Adams, Proc. Zool. Soc. 1853, p. 174, pl. 20. fig. 5.

Hab. Mauritius.

Subgenus QUOYIA, Gray, Proc. Zool. Soc. 1847, p. 138.

Quoyia decollata.

Planaxis decollata, Quoy & Gaimard, Voy. Astrolabe, vol. ii. p. 489, pl. 33. figs. 33, 34.

Quoyia decollata, Gray, Proc. Zool. Soc. 1847, p. 138. no. 59.

Hab. New Guinea (*Q. & G.*), Philippines (*Cuming*).

IV.—Description of a new Species of Porzana from the Himalayas. By ARTHUR, Viscount WALDEN, P.Z.S.

Porzana bicolor, n. sp.

Chin greyish white, passing into pure grey on the throat; entire head, throat, neck, breast, abdomen, flanks, and thigh-coverts ashy grey; nape, back, uropygium, shoulder-coverts, and scapulars ferruginous olive; tail, upper and lower tail-coverts dark slate-colour, almost black; quills above ash-coloured, washed with light brown, underneath pale brown; under wing-coverts pale brown tinged with ashy; shoulder edge white, quill-shafts underneath white; bill black at the tip, dark green at base. Wing 4.50 inches; tarsus 1.50; middle toe 1.50; hallux 0.37, nails not included; bill from gape 1.12, from forehead 0.87.

This well marked and handsome rail was shot at Rungbee, Darjeeling.



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