PSITTACUS PULLARIUS.

CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Rostrum aduncum: mandibula superiore mobili, cera instructa.

Nares in rostri basi.

Lingua carnofa, obtufa, integra.

Pedes scansorii.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 139.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS,

PSITTACUS brachyurus viridis, fronte rubra, cauda fulva fascia nigra, orbitis cinereis.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 149.

PSITTACUS GUINEENSIS.

Edw. Av. t. 237. f. 1.

Lath. Synopf. 1. p. 309.

In caveis inclusam hanc aviculam plerique tam frequenter conspexerunt, ut hoc ipsum ab admiratione detrahat quam aliter sibi vindicaret excellens pulchritudo. Historiæ naturalis cultoribus tam probe cognita est hæc species, ut illam peculiariter describere non sit necesse: satis sit dicere speciem esse pulcherrimam; moresque ejus suaves et mansuetos sormæ tam eximiæ

eximiæ bene respondere. Africæ est indigena, et in Guinea frequentissima est. In India etiam Orientali invenitur. Nomen ejus Anglicanum commune est Guinea-Sparrow.





THE

GUINEA PARRAKEET.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Bill hooked. Upper mandible moveable.

Nostrils round, placed in the base of the bill.

Tongue sleshy, broad, blunt at the end.

Legs short. Toes formed for climbing, viz. two backward and two forward.

Linnæus and Pennant.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

SHORT-TAILED GREEN PARROT, with red front; tail fulvous with a black bar; orbits of the eyes grey.

Lin.

RED-HEADED GUINEA PARRAKEET.

Latham, fol. 1. p. 309.

This beautiful little bird is so often seen in cages, that the circumstance of its not being a rare species seems in some degree to lessen the admiration due to its uncommon elegance. As it is so well known to Naturalists, it is unnecessary to say more than that it is one of the most brilliant of its genus, and that the beauty of its appearance is equalled by the gentleness of

of its manners. It is an African bird, and abounds in Guinea. It is also found in the East Indies. In England this bird is generally called by the name of the Guinea-Sparrow.



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