

PHALÆNA AUGUSTA.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Antennæ fetacæ, a basi ad apicem sensim attenuatæ.

Alæ (sedentis) sæpius deflexæ. (Volatu nocturno.)

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 808.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

PHALÆNA alis primoribus falcatis fuscis, striga figmoidali pallida, posterioribus nigris macula magna rubra medio alba.

PHALÆNA Conspicillator.

Cram. 2. p. 1. t. 97. A. B.

In rarissimis phalænis exoticis numeratur ea quam in insula Amboyna generatam magnitudine naturali ostendit tabula. Alarum anticarum superficies inferior striis aliquot seu nubeculis albidis, in longitudinem ductis notatur; habentque nonnulla specimina superficiem superiorem stria obliqua distinctam, quæ ipsis alis pallidior prope apices eas utrinque fascia decorat.

AUGUSTA.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Antennæ fetaceous, decreasing in size from the base to the point.

Wings, when at rest, generally deflected.

Flight mostly nocturnal.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

PHALÆNA with falcated brown upper wings, with a pale figmoid streak, and black lower wings with a large red spot, white in the middle.

The elegant insect here represented in its natural size is considered as one of the rarest of the exotic Phalænæ. It is principally found in the island of Amboyna. The under surface of the superior wings is marked by a few whitish, longitudinal streaks; and in some specimens an oblique streak of a paler color than the rest of the wing is seen on the upper surface; forming a band towards the tip of each wing.





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