CRACTICUS HYPOLEUCUS, Gould.

Fig. 1.

Mas. Cract. nuchâ, dorso, tectricibus caudæ, crisso, rectricibusque caudæ ad basin, albis, reliquis partibus nigris; rostro ad basin plumbeo in nigrum transeunte; pedibus nigris.

Long. tot. $14\frac{1}{2}$ unc.; rostri, 2; alæ, $9\frac{3}{4}$; caudæ, $5\frac{3}{4}$; tarsi, 2.

Crown of the head, cheeks, throat, all the under surface, scapularies, primaries and tips of the tail jet black; nape of the neck, back, upper and under tail-coverts, and base of the tail-feathers white; bill dark lead colour at the base, passing into black at the tip; legs black.

Cracticus hypoleucus, Gould in Proc. of Zool. Soc., Part IV., 1836.

Remark. May at all times be distinguished from Cracticus Tibicen by its smaller size and by the back being wholly white.

Habitat. Van Diemen's Land.

CRACTICUS TIBICEN, Vieill.

Fig. 2.

Mas. Crac. niger, nuchâ, tectricibus alarum, dorso imo, uropygio, crisso, caudæque basi albis; rostro ad basin plumbeo in nigrum transeunte; pedibus nigris.

Long. tot. $16\frac{1}{2}$ unc.; rostri, $2\frac{5}{8}$; alæ, $10\frac{3}{4}$; caudæ, $6\frac{1}{2}$; tarsi, $2\frac{5}{8}$.

Male. Crown of the head, cheeks, throat, back, all the under surface, scapularies, secondaries, primaries and tips of the tail-feathers black; nape of the neck, upper and under tail-coverts, and base of the tail-feathers white; bill lead colour at the base, passing into black at the tip; legs black.

Syn. Coracias Tibicen, Lath. Ind. Orn., Supp., xxvii.—Shaw, Zool., vol. vii. p. 405.

Barita Tibicen, Temm. Man., part i. p. li.

Piping Roller, Lath. Gen. Hist., vol. iii. p. 86. No. 23.

Cracticus Tibicen, Vig. and Horsf. in Linn. Trans., vol. xv. p. 260.

Habitat. Australia: locality, New South Wales, whence it does not appear to migrate.





1. Cracticus hypoteucus.
2.____ Tibicen.



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