CERTHIA CARDINALIS.

CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Rostrum arcuatum, tenue, subtrigonum, acutum.

Lingua acuta.

Pedes ambulatorii.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 184.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

CERTHIA RUBERRIMA, alis caudaque nigris,
abdomine albido.

CERTHIA CARDINALIS ?

Lath. ind. orn. p. 290.

CERTHIA RUBRA ?

Gmel. Syst. Nat. 1. p. 479.

Inter minimas numeratur hæc avicula sui generis, fiffitque eam tabula magnitudine naturali. Forma generali Certhiæ cruentatæ Linnæi videtur fimillima. In infulis aliquibus Auftralibus nafci creditur; quicquid autem ad peculiare illius mores attinet incognitum omne et incertum eft.

THE
CARDINAL CREEPER.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Bill slender, incurvated, sharp-pointed.

Tongue differing in shape in the different species.

Legs moderately stout.

Toes placed three before, and one behind; back
toe large: claws hooked and long.

Linnaeus. Latham. Pennant.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

CARMINE-RED CREEPER, with black wings
and tail, and whitish belly.

CARDINAL CREEPER.

Lath. Syn. 1 p. 733.

This bird may be numbered amongst the smallest of its genus, the figure representing it of its natural size. In its general appearance it seems extremely nearly allied to the *certhia cruentata* of Linnaeus, or red-spotted creeper. It is supposed to be a native of some of the Southern islands, but its particular history seems to be unknown.

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