CERTHIA VENUSTA.

CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Rostrum arcuatum, tenue, subtrigonum, acutum.

Lingua acuta.

Pedes ambulatorii.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 184.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS.

CERTHIA viridi-aurea, fronte mento fasciaque
pectorali violaceis, alis fuscis, abdomine
flavo.

*Fascia pectoralis violacea subtus nigro cincta: ros-
trum pedesque nigra.*

Africæ regionem quæ *Sierra Leona* nominatur incolit hæc avicula, non antea, ut opinor, descripta, cujus magnitudinem naturalem ostendit tabula. Specimen unde delineata est, nobiscum perhumaniter communicavit Thomas Wilson armiger, cui transmissum erat a Domino Joanne Lowes, Sierræ Leonæ chirurgo primario.

THE
LEONA CREEPER.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Bill slender, incurvated, sharp-pointed.

Tongue differing in the different species.

Toes three before ; one behind : claws hooked and long.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

Gold-green CREEPER, with the forehead, chin, and pectoral band violet : the wings brown : the abdomen yellow.

The violet-coloured pectoral band is bounded by black below : the bill and legs are black.

This bird, which seems to be a species hitherto undescribed, is a native of Sierra Leona, and is represented on the plate in its natural size. The specimen was communicated by Thomas Wilson, Esq. to whom it was sent by Mr. John Lowes, chief surgeon to the English settlement at Sierra Leona.

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