CERTHIA CHALYBEA.

CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Rostrum arcuatum, tenue, subtrigonum, acutum.

Lingua acuta.

Pedes ambulatorii.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 184.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

CERTHIA viridi-aurea, alis caudaque fuscis,
fascia pectorali coccinea lunula cærulea, ab-
domine albido.

CERTHIA viridis nitens, pectore rubro, fascia
antica chalybea.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 186.

CERTHIA torquata capitis bonæ spei.

Briss. av. 3. p. 643. t. 32. f. 1.

In Africa, et præcipue in promontorio bonæ spei
conspicitur *Certhia chalybea*, coloribus interdum
variis; collari nempe sive lunula chalybea plus
minus lata in diversis speciminibus. Tabula illam
ostendit magnitudine naturali.

THE
CHALYBEAN 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 wings and tail dusky ; the breast marked by a scarlet band and steel-blue crescent ; the abdomen whitish.

Le SOUI-MANGA à collier.

Buf. ois. 5. p. 502.

GRIMPEREAU du Cap de Bonne Esperance.

Pl. enl. f. 3.

Collared CREEPER.

Lath. syn. p. 709.

The Chalybean Creeper is a native of Africa, and is principally seen about the Cape of Good Hope. It sometimes varies a little in colors ; the blue band or crescent being more or less wide in different specimens. The plate represents it in its natural size.

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