NUMENIUS GUARAUNA.

CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Rostrum longum, teretiusculum, incurvum.

Facies pennis tecta.

Nares lineares juxta basin.

Lingua brevis, acuta.

Pedes tetradactyli, digitis basi connexis.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

NUMENIUS fuscus, purpureo viridique nitens,
capite colloque albo-punctatis.

Numenius Guarauna. N. rostro flavicante, corpore fusco albo striato, pedibus fuscis.

Lath. ind. orn. p. 712.

GUARAUNA.

Marcgr. Bras.

SCOLOPAX GUARAUNA. S. rostro arcuato flavicante, pedibus fuscis, capite fusco albo-striato.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 242.

Avem hanc raram et elegantem perhumaniter nobiscum communicavit vir Reverendus Hugo Davisius, quem in sexto operis nostri fasciculo consulere possit lector de Charadrio Himantopo præclare disserentem.

Advena iste rarissimus, (inquit DAVISIUS) pilula

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plumbea

plumbea confectus est in insula Mona, exeunte mense Septembri nuperrime elapso; et asservatur in museo quod felici delectu conguessit Domina Hester Merrick de Bellomarisco in eadem insula. Errasse mihi videtur præclarus ille ornithologus Lathamus in descriptione specifica; et pro *corpore fusco albo striato*, legendum potius putem *capite &c.*; quod si ita sit (et ita certe se res habet in specimine de quo jam agitur) magis congruat avi definitio quæ sequitur, viz. "*Numenius rostro pedibusque fuscis, capite et gutture albo striatis.*"

Pergit Davisius quærere unde originem duxerit adagium quod legitur in Willoughbeio, p. 294.

"Numenius sive albus, sive sit ater,

"Portat in dorso (valet) duodecim denarios."

et ortum fuisse suspicatur ab hac specie in oris Suffolciæ conspecta; quæ enim (inquit) alia possit esse proverbii interpretatio?

His Davisii annotationibus liceat mihi adjicere, summam esse avi huic nostræ generalem similitudinem tam quoad magnitudinem quam colores (excepta in charactere generico *facie nuda*) cum *Tantalo igneo* et *Tantalo Falcinello*, quorum prior interdum Britanniam inviserit.

H. Saurer Sculp. Del.

W. H. Saurer Sculp.

THE
BRASILIAN CURLEW.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Bill long, subcylindric, incurved.

Face covered with feathers.

Nostrils linear, near the base of the bill.

Tongue short, sharp.

Feet tetradactyle, with the toes connected at the base.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

Brown CURLEW, glossed with purple and green, with the head and neck speckled with white.

GUARAUNA.

Marcgr. Brasil. Will. orn. p. 215. t. 53.

Brasilian Whimbrel.

Lath. Syn. 3. p. 125.

The highly rare and curious bird exhibited on the present plate, was communicated by the Reverend Mr. Hugh Davies, whose excellent observations relative to the *Charadrius Himantopus*, may be found in the sixth volume of the present work.

“ This extraordinary visitant, (says Mr. Davies) was shot in *Anglesey* about the end of September last,

Shaw, George. 1806. "The Brazilian Curlew, Numenius guarauna [Pl. 705]." *The Naturalist's Miscellany* 17(CCI), <https://doi.org/10.5962/p.311142>.

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