PARADISEA SUPERBA.

CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Rostrum capistri plumis tomentosis tectum.

Pennæ hypochondriorum plerisque longiores.

Pedes validi, ambulatorii.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

Paradisea nigra, corpore utrinque fasciculo aliformi, pennis pectoralibus splendide virentibus, utrinque elongato-divergentibus.

Gen. Zool. 7. p. 494.

Paradisea superba. P. fronte cristata, capite cervice abdomineque viridibus, gula violacea sericea, cauda mediocri cærulescenti-atra.

Lath. ind. orn.

Insulas Moluccenses incolit *Paradisea superba*. Elegantissimam hujus avis iconem publicavit Dominus Levaillant, in splendido suo opere de *Paradiseis*. Juxta illam effigiem fideliter delineata est hæc nostra similitudo. Vera avis magnitudo est quasi turdi vulgaris sive musici.

THE
SUPERB PARADISE-BIRD.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Bill covered at the base by velvet-like plumes.

Side-Feathers beneath the wings, in most species, extending far beyond the rest of the plumage.

Legs strong ; feet formed for walking.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

Black Paradise-Bird, with a wing-like set of feathers on each side of the body, and bright-green pectoral plumes diverging and lengthened on each side.

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Le Manucode dit le Superbe.

Sonner. voy. p. 157. pl. 96.

Le Manucode noir de la Nouvelle Guinée dit le Superbe.

Buff. ois. Pl. Eul. 632.

Le Superbe.

Viellot Parad. Levaill. Parad.

The Superb Paradise-Bird is a native of the Molucca islands. It has been figured with peculiar elegance in the splendid publication of Mons. Levaillant on the genus *Paradisea* ; and the representation here given is a faithful copy. The size of the bird equals that of a common Thrush.

Rich. P. Nodder. Sculpt.

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