SUTHORA FULVIFRONS, *Hodgs.*

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Fulvous-fronted Suthora.

Temnornis fulvifrons, Hodgs. Proc. of Zool. Soc., Part XIII. p. 31.

Suthora fulvifrons, Blyth, Cat. of Birds in Mus. Asiat. Soc. Calcutta, p. 102.

On the accompanying Plate I have figured another of the rare and little-known birds of the rich district of Nepaul, of which no specimens occur in the continental collections, rich as most of them are in Indian productions. Elegant in all its proportions and cheerful in its colouring, this species has especial claims to our notice, and it is very desirable that some information should be obtained as to its habits and economy. The specimens in the British Museum collected by Mr. Hodgson offer but little difference, either in their size or colouring; and we have yet to be informed by persons resident in the country, whether any difference occurs in the colouring of the sexes, and for the procuring of what peculiar kind of food the singularly truncate bill of these birds is adapted.

General plumage rusty red; ear-coverts grey, below which the cheeks are whitish; superciliary stripe brown; primaries and apical half of the tail-feathers brownish black; edges of the primaries, rump, upper tail-coverts and base of the tail lively red; bill vinous flesh with a dusky ridge; breast sandy red, passing into grey on the belly; feet fleshy white.

The figures are of the natural size, on the *Ceropegia pubescens*.

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