

4. DESCRIPTION OF A NEW TANAGER OF THE GENUS EUPHONIA.  
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Mr. Gould having placed in my hands for examination some specimens of *Euphonia*, which he has lately received from Guatemala, I am enabled to exhibit to the Society examples of both sexes of what I believe to be a hitherto uncharacterized species of that genus. I am no friend to the too frequent practice of calling animals after individuals, but I feel that I shall meet with approbation in this instance if I confer on the present bird the name of one of the most eminent naturalists of the day, to whom moreover I am indebted for numerous acts of kindness from the period when I first had the pleasure of his acquaintance. I therefore propose to call this species

EUPHONIA GOULDI.

♂. *Supra olivacea, æneo induta : pileo usque ad oculos cum fronte flavis : subtus, gula et cervice flavescenti-olivaceis, abdomine medialiter castaneo, hoc colore flavo utrinque marginato ; lateribus olivaceis flavo mixtis : crisso castaneo : rostro et pedibus nigris.*

♀. *Supra mari similis sed dilutior, fronte et pileo antico rubris : subtus flavescentis, abdomine medio cum crisso dilute castaneis, lateribus flavido-olivaceis.*

Long. tota 4·1, alæ 2·2, caudæ 1·0, tarsi 0·7.

*Hab.* In Guatemala et Mexico Meridionali.

Gould's *Euphonia* does not sufficiently resemble any other of the known members of the group to render it liable to be confounded with them. It may, I think, be most naturally placed at the head of the section containing *Euphonia pectoralis*, *E. rufiventris* and others (which has been denominated *Iliolopha* by Prince Bonaparte), and will serve to connect them with the yellow-headed species which precede them in my arrangement. I have suspected its existence for some time, but these examples are the first good ones I have seen of it. I have had for several years in my possession a bird which I now find to be an immature individual of this species ; and M. Sallé's collection comprised a single specimen not in very good condition, which he obtained in Southern Mexico. I gave a short description of the latter bird without naming it in my list of his collection (see P. Z. S. 1856, p. 303), but was mistaken (as I now see) in considering it a female.

This *Euphonia* is the fourth additional Tanager I have met with since completing the synopsis of these birds given in the Proceedings for last year ; the others being *Calliste rufigena* (P. Z. S. 1856, p. 311), *Saltator melanopterus* (Pr. Ac. Sc. Phil. viii. p. 361), and *Pyranga roseigularis* (P. Z. S. 1857, p. 6). The latter bird was long ago described by Dr. Cabot, but at the time of completing my synopsis I had not seen specimens of it.



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