PALLAS'S WATER OUZEL.

Cinclus Pallasii, *Temm*.

La Cincle de Pallas.

In the third part of his 'Manuel d'Ornithologie,' we find M. Temminck has included this rare species of Water Ouzel as an occasional visitant to the eastern confines of Europe, more particularly the Crimea and those portions of European Russia contiguous to the Asiatic continent. In our 'Century of Birds from the Himalaya Mountains' will be found a figure of this species as an inhabitant of the glenny streams of that fine country. Since the publication of that work we have received specimens of the young, as well as additional examples of the adult, and our present Plate is consequently rendered more complete and of greater interest by containing a representation of the bird in its young state, which on comparison will be found to possess a plumage very similar to that of the common species (Cinclus aquaticus). In the specimen from which our figure was taken, and which had nearly attained its full size, there was not the slightest trace of the chocolate colouring which characterizes the adult; in all probability therefore the change is effected by a total loss of the feathers early in the following spring, or at the second moult.

M. Temminck has favoured us with specimens of the Japan Water Ouzel, which differ so slightly from those killed in India as not, in our opinion, to admit of their being separated; it may be observed, however, that the Japan specimens are rather darker in colour, and that this difference is even perceptible in the young of the two species.

Whether the Cinclus Pallasii offers any material difference in its habits and manners from those of the British Water Ouzel we are unable to state, but in all probability they are very similar.

The adult is of an uniform chocolate brown, with the feet and bill black.

The young has the whole of the plumage of a fuliginous grey with numerous crescent-shaped markings of pale greyish white, which are most numerous on the throat, giving it a whitish appearance; feet and bill black.

We have figured an adult and a young bird of the natural size.