

Family MUSCICAPIDÆ, *Vig.*Genus RHIPIDURA, *Vig. & Horsf.*

Many species of this genus occur in India, the Indian Islands, New Guinea, and Polynesia; and five or six are comprised in the fauna of Australia, over every part of which country, including Van Diemen's Land, one or other member of the group is found to exist.

129. *Rhipidura albiscapa*, *Gould* Vol. II. Pl. 83.
 130. *Rhipidura rufifrons* Vol. II. Pl. 84.
 131. *Rhipidura Dryas*, *Gould*.

Inhabits the north coast. I have not figured this species because it only differs from *R. rufifrons* in being of a smaller size, and in the red colouring at the base of the tail-feathers being more extensive.

132. *Rhipidura isura*, *Gould* Vol. II. Pl. 85.
 133. *Rhipidura Motacilloides*, *Vig. & Horsf.* Vol. II. Pl. 86.
 134. *Rhipidura picata*, *Gould*.

Not figured, being similar in colour but much smaller than *R. Motacilloides*; it inhabits Port Essington.

Genus SEISURA, *Vig. & Horsf.*

The present genus and *Rhipidura* are mere modifications of each other; a difference of structure, however, exists of sufficient importance to justify their separation, and, as is always the case, a corresponding difference is found in the habits of the species.

The present form is restricted to Australia.

135. *Seisura inquieta* Vol. II. Pl. 87.
Turdus muscicola, Lath. Gen. Hist. vol. v. p. 123.
 ——— *dubius*, Lath.

Genus PIEZORHYNCHUS, *Gould*.

Generic characters.

Bill longer than the head; deeper than broad, almost cylindrical; compressed on the sides, notched at the tip; *nostrils* basal, small and round; *wings* short; first primary moderate, the fourth the longest; *tail* rather short and round; *tarsi* moderately long and somewhat feeble; the inner and middle toes connected as far as the first joint, the outer one the longest.

The only species of this genus yet discovered is a native of the northern parts of Australia, from Cape York to Port Essington, where it frequents the dense beds of Mangroves.

136. *Piezorhynchus nitidus*, *Gould* Vol. II. Pl. 88.

Genus MYIÄGRA, *Vig. & Horsf.*

A group of insectivorous birds, the greater number of which inhabit the Indian Islands and Polynesia, and of which four species are found in Australia.

137. *Myiägra plumbea*, *Vig. & Horsf.* Vol. II. Pl. 89.
 138. *Myiägra concinna*, *Gould* Vol. II. Pl. 90.
 139. *Myiägra nitida*, *Gould* Vol. II. Pl. 91.
 140. *Myiägra latirostris*, *Gould* Vol. II. Pl. 92.