IYNGIPICUS DOERRIESI, Hargitt.

Dörries's Pygmy Woodpecker.

Picus scintilliceps, Bolau, Journ. für Orn. 1880, p. 131 (nec Swinhoe). Iyngipicus doerriesi, Hargitt, Ibis, 1881, p. 398.

This species, which may be considered a large representative form of *Iyngipicus scintilliceps* of Northern China, has been lately described by Mr. Edward Hargitt from specimens collected by Herr Dörries in the island of Askold, in Eastern Siberia. In Mr. Hargitt's own collection are four more specimens from Baranowsky, in Eastern Siberia, also obtained by Herr Dörries.

Although closely allied to *I. scintilliceps*, it differs from that species in being a larger and finer bird; and when old specimens are compared, they can be easily told apart. The black in *I. doerriesi* is much deeper, and the white much purer and of greater extent, the back and rump being entirely unbanded white, while the eyebrow is whiter and the patch on the side of the neck much more extended; and the same is the case on the wing-coverts, where the white also forms a conspicuous patch; the under surface of the body is also lighter in tint.

These differences will be better appreciated by a comparison of the Plates of the two species; and I add the diagnosis given by Mr. Hargitt in his paper above mentioned:—

"Allied to *I. scintilliceps* of Swinhoe, but considerably larger, and distinguished by the sides of the face and neck being clearer and purer white, and by the large white shoulder-patch (formed by the median and greater series of the wing-coverts). Total length 7.5 inches, culmen 0.8, wing 4.15, tail 2.5, tarsus 0.65."

The measurements of the females are given by the same author as follows:—Total length 7.5 inches, culmen 0.8, wing 4.1.

The figures in the Plate are taken from the typical specimens—the male being lent to me by Mr. Seebohm, and the female by Mr. Hargitt.

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