Mr. Elliot continues—"I have been thus particular in giving the full description of the young because they are very rarely to be found in collections, and even then, in some instances, the species is doubtful. The above is also valuable as having been taken on the spot, and given by an authority none can question."

Professor Schlegel, who has given good figures of the bird in different stages of plumage, states that it is only found in the island of Sumatra, and Mr. Elliot also gives this habitat only for the species; but Mr. Moore includes it in the list of Malayan birds collected by Dr. Cantor, and we have ourselves seen specimens said to be from Malacca. That this, or a closely allied species, is found in Tenasserim is shown by Mr. Hume ('Stray Feathers,' 1875, p. 321), who has received specimens from the base of the hills dividing Siam and Tenasserim, where it was found to be not very rare by Mr. Davidson. He points out certain differences which appear to him to indicate that the bird is distinct, and he names it *Brachyurus aavidsoni*. Respecting this supposed species, further comparisons are necessary.

The Plate represents a male and a female the size of life.