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river, carrying the Pigeon with it. The next day I observed a pair of Lanners about the rocks by the Nile, opposite the Girgeh; one of the pair was pursued and driven up a rocky valley by a Raven. I shot the male bird while soaring near the top of the cliffs."

Professor Schlegel remarks that

"Little is really known of the habits, manners, or distribution of the Lanner. As the Baron de Feldegg killed four specimens of this bird in Dalmatia, we may reasonably conclude that it is a native of that country. However this may be, it has rarely been seen in other parts of Europe, and would seem to be merely an accidental visitor to its temperate portions. With the exception of the three individuals described by Buffon, Lewin, and Naumann, I do not know a single specimen which has been met with in Central Europe. Dutch falconers, who annually take a great number of Falcons, unanimously declare they have never seen this bird in a wild state.

"It appears that the Lanner was formerly much sought after by falconers, as they mention it in all their works."

My figure of the Lanner is of the size of life.