TAB. LXXVI.

TOTANUS GLOTTOIDES.

Tot. suprà fuscescenti-griseus, capite colloque fusco striatis, dorso alisque strigis fasciisque fuscis undulatis; fronte corporeque toto subtùs niveis; rectricibus duabus mediis grisescentibus, lateralibus albis; quatuor mediis utrinque, cæteris externè, fusco fasciatis.

Statura formaque *Tot. glottidis*; differt notis supernis gracilioribus, corporeque subtùs toto niveo, haud notato.

This interesting species of *Totanus* is nearly allied to our European Greenshank, to which it bears a close resemblance in general colour and in the hue of its tarsi. It is, however, much inferior in size, and besides exhibits other specific characters by which it is easily distinguished. Of these we mention only, as the principal, that in the Himalayan bird the throat, breast and under parts are pure white, while in the Greenshank they are blotched with brownish olive. As regards habits and manners, the two birds partake alike of the same propensities;—the morasses and marshy districts, among the defiles of the chain of Himalayan mountains, affording the *Totanus glottoi des* a resort similar in its nature to the low marshes of Europe. It appears to be quite new, and we are not aware of its existence in any European collection, excepting that of the Zoological Society, in which is deposited the specimen from which the figure in the "Century" was taken.

The general colour of the upper parts is of a light greyish brown, each feather having a lighter margin; the top of the head and back of the neck are white, thickly spotted with brown striæ; the tail is white barred with brown, the two middle feathers being entirely grey; the under surface is generally pure white.

The figure is of the natural size.