Tab. LIX.

COLUMBA LEUCONOTA.

Col. capite canescenti-atro; crisso caudâque nigris; nuchâ, corpore subtùs, dorso medio, caudæque fasciâ latâ mediâ, albis; tegminibus alarum vinaceo-canis; dorso superiori scapularibusque brunnescenti-canis; remigibus, fasciisque alarum brunnescenti-fuscis.

Statura *Col. Palumbi*, Linn.

The specimen from which this Plate was taken is the only one of this elegant and chastely coloured Pigeon with which we are acquainted. It was sent in the first collection received from the Himalaya, and our subsequent endeavours to procure others or to ascertain if any exist in our museums, whether public or private, have hitherto proved fruitless. The species, however, was observed by Mr. Shore among the woods of the Himalaya, and a specimen is represented in his drawings differing little from that which is given in the accompanying Plate, except in the colouring of the legs, which he has represented as bright red. We have every reason to believe this representation to be correct, and had not the Plate been published before we had an opportunity of examining Mr. Shore's valuable manuscript, his colouring, taken from the living bird, would have been adopted instead of that which we now consider to be the faded hue of a dead specimen.

The *Columba leuconota* belongs to that division of the family which comprehends the Wood Pigeons common to Europe, which it closely resembles in all its habits and manners.

The head and upper part of the neck are of a dull black; the lower part of the neck, lower part of the back, rump, and under surface pure white; upper part of the back and scapulars brownish grey; wing-coverts light grey, with a vinaceous tinge; quills brown; tail-coverts black; the tail black with a broad white band.

The figure is of the natural size.