BOURCIERIA ASSIMILIS, *Elliot.*

Elliot's Inca.

Lampropygia, sp., Elliot, Ibis, 1876, p. 58.
Bourcieria assimilis, Elliot, Synopsis of the Humming-Birds, p. 79 (1878).

In his paper on the genus *Lampropygia* (Ibis, *l. c.*) Mr. Elliot alluded to a specimen in his collection, allied to *L. prunelli*, but differing in certain particulars, and apparently previously unnoticed. Failing to obtain further specimens, he described the species as new in 1878, under the name of *Bourcieria assimilis*. He states that it came into his possession as from Ecuador, and that it is distinguished from *B. prunelli* by the colour of the throat, which is dark metallic purple.

The following is Mr. Elliot's detailed description:—"Top of head blackish brown; nape black with a bluish gloss; back black, but viewed from behind iridescent, being metallic red, graduating into golden on the rump; chin brownish black; throat metallic purple; on either side of the chest a large patch of white; upper tail-coverts dark purple; tail purplish black; bill black. Total length $4\frac{3}{4}$ inches, wing $2\frac{7}{8}$, tail 2, culmen $1\frac{1}{16}$."

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