

PRIONOTELUS TEMNURUS.

Cuban Trogon.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

Mas. *Dorso alisque viridibus, harum secundariis ad apicem albo latè unifasciatis, remigibus nigris albo fasciatis; rectricibus intermediis sex viridibus, ad apicem (pogoniis expansis) latè emarginatis, reliquis ad basin viridibus, in medio fasciâ albâ alterâque viridi notatis, ad apicem latè albis.*

The whole of the head and ear-coverts deep glossy steel-blue; back, lesser wing-coverts, and upper tail-coverts shining bronzy green; throat and breast light grey; lower part of the abdomen and under tail-coverts scarlet; greater wing-coverts and secondaries black, margined externally with green and crossed near the tip with a broad bar of white forming two conspicuous bands; spurious wing black barred with white; primaries black, the outer one barred on the basal half of the external web with white; the remainder with a line of white on the basal portion of the outer web, the remaining part of the web being barred with white nearly to the tip; two middle tail-feathers bronzy green passing into deep steel-blue at the tip; the two next on each side deep steel-blue washed with green on their outer margins; the three lateral feathers on each side steel-blue at the base, largely tipped with white, the white extending nearly to the base on the outer web of the external feather; the next two barred with white on the dark portion of the outer web; the white tips of the three lateral feathers on each side are, moreover, very finely sprinkled with brown on the margin of the outer web and on the basal portion of the inner web; bill blood-red, with a broad mark of black on the culmen; feet brown.

Total length $10\frac{1}{2}$ inches, bill 1, wing 6, tail $6\frac{1}{2}$.

Trogon temnurus, Temm. Pl. Col., 326.—Vig. Zool. Journ., 1827, p. 443.—Less. Traité d'Orn., p. 120.—Gould, Mon. of Trog., pl. 19.—D'Orb. in Ramon de la Sagra's Hist. Phys. Pol. et Nat. de l'île de Cuba, p. 165, Atlas, tab. xxvi.

Temnurus albicollis, Swains. Class. of Birds, vol. ii. p. 337.—Gould, Mon. of Trog., syn. spec. *Temnurus*, sp. 1.

Trogon (Temnurus) albicollis, Gould, Mon. of Trog., List of Plates, sp. 19.

Prionotelus, Reichenb. Av. Syst. Nat., pl. lxxxviii.

Priotelus temnurus, Gray, List of Gen. of Birds, p. 10.—Id. Gen. of Birds, vol. i. p. 70.—Bonap. Consp. Gen. Av., tom. i. p. 150.—Cab. Journ. für Orn., 1856, p. 106.

"*Temnurus silens*, Herz. Würtemb.," Hartl. in Naumannia, 1852, part ii. p. 51.

Prionotelus temnurus, Cab. et Heine, Mus. Hein., Theil iv. p. 164.

THIS Trogon is conspicuously different in form, markings and coloration from every other known species; its most striking features are the broad barring of its wings, and the very singular form of the extremities of the tail-feathers. Its native country is Cuba, where it appears to be so common as to be frequently killed