There is a specimen in the Berlin Museum with a broken bill. In size it is rather larger than Aliciæ, the tail is more forked, and the two outer feathers more pointed; all the feathers have a purplish hue, as seen in *Poortmanni*, and the glittering feathers of the body are of a dull golden purplish green, as in that species.

- 413. PANYCHLORA STENURA, Cab.
  - Panychlora stenura, Cab. et Hein. Mus. Hein. Theil iii. p. 56, note.
  - Chlorostilbon acuticaudus, Gould in Proc. Zool. Soc. part xxviii. p. 308.
  - Habitat. Merida in New Granada.

This species is fully equal in size to the last, has a more lengthened bill, and the outer tail-feathers are much more pointed.

- 414. PANYCHLORA POORTMANNI.

  - Ornismya Esmeralda, Less. in Mus. Heinean.
  - Smaragdites Esmeralda, Reich. Aufz. der Col. p. 7.
  - Chlorostilbon Esmeralda, Reichenb. Troch. Enum. p. 4, pl. 694. figs. 4542-43.
  - Panychlora Poortmanni, Cab. et Hein. Mus. Hein. Theil iii. p. 50.
  - Habitat. New Granada.

I shall close this account of the little green Humming-Birds with a description of the extraordinary species sent to me by Mr. Reeves of Rio de Janeiro, and which I have described, in the 'Proceedings of the Zoological Society,' as Calliphlox? iridescens. Its iridescent green colouring would indicate that it belongs to this section; while its comparatively small wings and short tail ally it to Calliphlox; but as it is not strictly referable to either genus, I propose for it a separate distinctive appellation, and provisionally place here the

## Genus Smaragdochrysis, Gould.

(Σμάραγδος, smaragdus, et χρῦσος, aurum.)

Generic characters.

Male.—Bill longer than the head, straight and slender; wings small, primaries narrow and rigid; tail of moderate size and deeply forked; tarsi clothed; feet small; hind toe and nail nearly as long as the middle toe and nail.

## Genus Phlogophilus, Gould.

(Φλὸξ [φλογὸς], nomen floræ, et φίλος, amicus.)

Generic characters.

Male.—Bill straight; wings ample and rather rounded; tarsi long for a Humming-Bird, and bare; tail rather large and rounded; hind toe and nail shorter than the middle toe and nail.

The specimen from which the above characters were taken differs from every other known Humming-Bird in its more lengthened tarsi, and in the colouring of its rounded tail. The bird, which is immature, was received from the borders of the River Napo.

- 416. Phlogophilus hemileucurus, Gould . . . . . . . . . . . . Vol. V. Pl. 360
  - Habitat. The banks of the River Napo?

In placing this bird at the end of my Monograph of the Trochilidæ, I do not wish it to be understood that this is its proper situation. I cannot imagine what the adult will be like, and consequently cannot tell to which genus of the family it is allied; but I believe, to *Adelomyia*.

Note.—In the body of the work, Columbia has been given as the habitat of many of the species; but in this Introduction, Venezuela, New Granada, and Ecuador have been substituted, as the case required, for that more general term. A difference of opinion exists as to the correct spelling of New Granada,—some considering that it should be Grenada, and others Granada; the latter has been adopted in this Introduction, while in the body of the work it is usually, if not always, spelt Grenada.