

“ Found on the edge of the virgin forest ; always solitary ; generally in dark and lonely places, and very restless. Irides hazel ; upper mandible black, lower yellow with a black tip ; legs and feet flesh-colour.”

Habitat. Ecuador.

Allied to the last form are the members of the genus *Threnetes* : these birds are not distinguished by any brilliancy of colouring, but two of them are very prettily marked about the throat and chest.

Surinam and the adjacent countries are given as the habitat of *T. leucurus*, while the banks of the Rio Napo are known to be the home of the bird I have called *cervinicauda* ; and the sombre-plumaged *T. Antonia* is a native of Cayenne and the Guianas. I believe that the females of all three species are clothed like the males.

Genus THRENETES, *Gould*.

(Θρηνητής, a mourner.)

Generic characters.

Male.—*Bill* lengthened, arched, and pointed ; *wings* moderately long, and rounded at the tip ; *tail* short, square, or rounded ; *tarsi* partially clothed ; *feet* very small ; *hind toe* and *nail* short.

13. THRENETES LEUCURUS Vol. I. Pl. 13.
Threnetes leucurus, Reichenb. Aufz. der Col. p. 15 ; Id. Troch. Enum. p. 12.
Habitat. Surinam and British Guiana.
14. THRENETES CERVINICAUDA, *Gould* Vol. I. Pl. 14.
Habitat. Province of Quijos in Ecuador.
15. THRENETES ANTONIÆ Vol. I. Pl. 15.
Aphantochroa Antonia, Reichenb. Aufz. der Col. p. 15 ; Id. Troch. Enum. p. 12.
Habitat. Cayenne and the Guianas.

I now enter upon the genus *Phaethornis*, the members of which are so widely dispersed, that the remark I made on the extended distribution of the entire group is almost applicable to this section of it. In the body of this work I have figured nearly thirty species under this generic appellation, including therein the smaller kinds to which Bonaparte gave the name of *Pygmornis*, a term I shall now adopt for these little birds : but a further subdivision of the group I cannot for a moment entertain ; the separation of the *P. Bourcieri* into a distinct genus, for which the term *Ametrornis* has been proposed by Dr. Reichenbach, and of the *P. Guyi* under that of *Toxoteuches* by Dr. Cabanis, being, in my opinion, quite unnecessary.

Genus PHAETHORNIS, *Swains*.

16. PHAETHORNIS EURYNOME Vol. I. Pl. 16.
Phaethornis Eurynomus, Jard. Nat. Lib. Humming-Birds, vol. ii. p. 150.
Phaethornis eurynome, Bonap. Consp. Gen. Av. tom. i. p. 67, *Phaethornis*, sp. 5.
Trochilus melanotis, “ Licht.” Nordm. Erm. Reis. Atl. p. 2.
Phaethornis melanotis, Gray & Mitch. Gen. of Birds, vol. i. p. 104, *Phaethornis*, sp. 3 ; Bonap. Consp. Gen. Av. tom. i. p. 67, *Phaethornis*, sp. 3.
Ptyonornis Eurynome, Reichenb. Aufz. der Col. p. 14 ; Id. Troch. Enum. p. 12.
Phaethornis Eurynome, Cab. et Hein. Mus. Hein. Theil iii. p. 9.
Habitat. Brazil.
17. PHAETHORNIS MALARIS.
Phaethornis superciliosus Vol. I. Pl. 17.
Phaethornis malaris, Gray & Mitch. Gen. of Birds, vol. i. p. 101, sp. 2 ; Bonap. Consp. Gen. Av. tom. i. p. 67, sp. 2 ; Cab. et Hein. Mus. Hein. Theil iii. p. 9.
Colibri à longue queue de Cayenne, Buff. Pl. Enl. 600, 3.
Brin blanc mâle, Vieill. Ois. Dor. tom. i. p. 37, pl. 17.
Trochilus superciliosus, Id. Enc. Méth. Orn. part 2. p. 549, sp. 5 ; Less. Hist. Nat. des Col. p. 35, pl. 6 ; Id. Traité d’Orn. p. 288 ; Jard. Nat. Lib. Humming-Birds, vol. ii. p. 119, pl. 26 ; Cab. Schomb. Reise Guian. iii. p. 708 ; Burm. Th. Bras. ii. p. 323.