PTEROGLOSSUS CULIK, Wagler.

Koulik Araçari.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

Mas. Pter. rostro nigro, basin versus in rubrum transeunte: olivaceo-viridis, ventre castaneo variegato; capite, collo, pectoreque nigris; auribus lunulâque dorsali flavis; caudæ tectricibus inferioribus coccineis; rectricibus ad apices castaneis.

Fæm. Lunulâ dorsali nullâ; cervice sordidè castaneâ; jugulo pectoreque obscurè cæruleo-canis.

Male. Beak black, gradually passing off into red at the base; naked space round the eye and the tarsus dark lead colour; top of the head, occiput, throat, and breast black; ear-coverts and a crescent-shaped band on the top of the back yellow; lower part of the belly olive green mixed with chestnut; under tail-coverts scarlet; the whole of the upper surface olive green, the tail-feathers being tipped with chestnut.

Female. Resembles the male in her general plumage, but wants the yellow semilunar band on the top of the back; has the back of the neck dull chestnut; and the throat and breast obscure lavender grey.

Total length, 12 to 13 inches; bill, $2\frac{3}{4}$; wing, $4\frac{1}{2}$; tail, $4\frac{1}{2}$; tarsi, $1\frac{1}{4}$.

Green Toucan. Edw., vol. 3. pl. 330.

Toucan à collier de Caj. Buff., Pl. Enl. n. 577.

Ramphastos piperivorus. Auct.

L'Araçari Koulik de la Guyane. Levaill., Ois. de Parad., vol. 2. p. 41. pl. 13.

Pteroglossus Culik. Wagler, Syst. Avium.

_____ Langsdorffii? Ibid.

The rich countries of Cayenne and Guiana are the native habitats of this interesting and elegant species of Araçari, where, I am informed, it has obtained the name of Koulik, from the peculiarity of its cry. It appears to be somewhat local in its distribution, as I have never received it either from Brazil or the Spanish Main. It is a species easily distinguished from every other by a slight attention to the detail of its colouring, the male being remarkable for his black breast and the semilunar band between the shoulders, and the female for the chaste colouring of her breast and under parts.

Inhabits Cayenne and Guiana.