

**PTEROGLOSSUS REINWARDTII, Wagler.**

Reinwardt's Araçari.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

*Pter. rostri dimidio basali sordidè rufescenti-aurantiaco, culmine apiceque nigrescenti-brunneis: capite, collo, gulâ, guttureque nigris; regione paroticâ fasciâque nuham cingente aurantiacis, hâc pallidiore; dorso saturatè olivaceo-viridi brunneo tincto; lateribus aurantiacis castaneo tinctis; caudæ tectricibus inferioribus coccineis; remigibus nigrescenti-brunneis; rectricibus quatuor intermediis castaneo spiculatis; orbitæ pedesque viridescenti-plumbei.*

Bill dull reddish orange for the basal half of its length, the culmen and tip blackish brown; head, neck, throat, and chest black; ear-coverts bright orange; a semilunar band surrounds the nape of the same colour, but somewhat lighter; whole of the remaining parts of the upper surface dark olive green tinged with brown; quills blackish brown; four middle tail-feathers slightly tipped with chestnut brown; flanks deep orange, tinged with chestnut; thighs light brown; under tail-coverts crimson; feet and naked skin round the eyes greenish lead colour.

Total length, 12 to 13 inches; bill,  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ; wings, 5; tail,  $5\frac{3}{4}$ ; tarsi,  $1\frac{1}{4}$ .

*Pteroglossus Reinwardtii*, Wagler, Syst. Avium.

————— Gould, Proceedings of Zool. Soc., Part III.

THE individual from which the accompanying figure was taken is in the Royal Museum at Munich, and is, I believe, the only specimen in the collections of Europe.

I candidly own that before I had the opportunity of inspecting it I entertained some doubts as to its real specific value, the description given by Wagler having induced me to suspect it might be only a variety or an immature specimen of *Pter. Kulik*; it will be evident, however, on comparing the present Plate with that of *Pter. Kulik* that my suspicions were unfounded, the bird under consideration having marks which will at once prove it to be a distinct species. At present nothing further can be said respecting its history than that it is a native of Brazil, a country constantly calling forth our admiration by the frequent receipt of new and beautiful productions.

I have coloured the bill as it appeared in the specimen from which the drawing was taken, yet there is every reason to suppose that this organ was of a much brighter hue.

It appears to be more nearly allied to *Pter. Nattereri* than to any other; yet, upon comparing the two, it will be found to present good distinguishing characteristics, the bill being different in its form and markings, and the ear-coverts being entirely orange, while in several specimens of *Pter. Nattereri* which I had the opportunity of examining, the same parts were pale lemon yellow, with a slight tinge of brown at the lower extremity; the semilunar mark on the back and the flanks also differ considerably. In the present species the four middle tail-feathers are tipped with brown, while in *Pter. Nattereri* six have this mark.