

kindly presented to me ; of these a fine male and a female (shot at Lahore), from the collection of C. H. T. Marshall, Esq., present such a marked difference, particularly in the colouring of the throat, that I have considered it desirable to describe them, and also another specimen differing from both, from the collection of Mr. Jerdon.

The male has all the upper surface of the body and the tail clear brown ; the outer margins of the secondaries slightly tinged with light reddish-brown ; axillaries rich orange-brown ; throat and chest black, each feather slightly margined with light grey ; centre of the abdomen dull white with dashes of brown on the flanks and under tail-coverts ; bill black at the tip, at the base white, but here it has evidently been yellow.

The female is similar to the male ; the throat as well as the centre of the abdomen dull white with strong dashes of white down the sides of the neck, and a conspicuous pectoral band of similar blotches across the chest ; the flanks marked in like manner with brown ; over the eye a buffy white supercilium.

Mr. Jerdon's specimen has the centre of the throat and the abdomen dull white, with distinct spots or guttated markings across the chest ; on the sides of the body these markings assume the form of striæ.

This specimen, besides having a shorter tail, is considerably smaller than the others, so much so as almost to lead to the inference of its being a distinct bird.

The figures are of the size of life.