

Hab. NICARAGUA, Greytown (*Holland*⁸); PANAMA, David (*Hicks*⁷), Chiriqui (*Arcé*).—
COLOMBIA?; BRAZIL^{1 2 3 4 6}.

Though this species has been traced as far north as Greytown in Nicaragua, and has also been noticed in the neighbourhood of Chiriqui, it is apparently a rare bird in our region, whence at present we have only one Chiriqui specimen. This agrees closely with an example from Bahia, and we have no doubt as to the identity of the species, though its range is so great, and, so far as we know at present, interrupted in the Amazons region, whence no examples have yet reached us.

Mr. Lawrence's *Elainea semiflava* we have no doubt belongs here. Some years ago we examined his type and came to this conclusion, which was confirmed more recently by a re-examination and comparison of the type with our own and Mr. Sclater's examples.

In Brazil *C. flaveola* appears to be more common. Natterer obtained five specimens, and speaks of having met with a small flock at Goiaz in the month of August.

ORNITHION.

Ornithion, Hartlaub, J. f. Orn. 1853, p. 35 (type *O. inerme*, Hartl.); Scl. Cat. Birds Brit. Mus. xiv. p. 125.

A genus of four species of small size and dull colour, the species of our region being of a brownish plumage hardly relieved by yellowish beneath. The rictal bristles are but feebly developed and less conspicuous than in *Elainea*, to which *Ornithion* has some affinity. The bill is much compressed, the sides concave, the width at the gape being about $\frac{1}{2}$ the length of tomia, the culmen is gradually arched from the forehead; the nostrils are in the middle of a membrane, and thus differ from the foregoing genera, but resemble those which immediately follow; the tarsi are long, and the feet comparatively strong. The wing is short and rounded, offering no peculiar feature; the tail is short and square at the end, = $\frac{5}{8}$ wing, wing = 3 tarsus.

1. *Ornithion imberbe*.

Camptostoma imberbe, Scl. P. Z. S. 1857, p. 203¹; Ibis, 1859, p. 444, t. 14. f. 1²; Scl. & Salv.

Ibis, 1860, p. 400³; Lawr. Ann. Lyc. N. Y. ix. p. 201⁴; Mem. Bost. Soc. N. H. ii. p. 286⁵.

Ornithion imberbe, Coues, Bull. U. S. Geol. Surv. v. p. 406⁶; Ridgw. Man. N. Am. B. p. 346⁷;

Scl. Cat. Birds Brit. Mus. xiv. p. 126.

Ornithion incanescens, Scl. P. Z. S. 1873, p. 577⁸; Lawr. Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus. no. 4, p. 26⁹ (nec Wied).

Ornithion imberbe ridgwayi, Brewster, Bull. Nutt. Orn. Club, vii. p. 208¹⁰; Ridgw. Man. N. Am. B. p. 346¹¹.

Supra fuscum; pileo vix obscuriore; uropygio sensim dilutiore; alis fusco-nigricantibus, extrorsum pallide fusco limbatis, harum tectricibus majoribus et mediis ferrugineo-fusco terminatis; stria superciliari et corpore subtus albicanti-fuscis; campterio alari et subalaribus flavido vix suffusis: rostro corneo, mandibula