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Coloured illustration of 2 birds
Bradypterus Phaenicuroides nob. M.S. type
Bradypterus
Calliope
[Hemiptilon]?
Central & Northern Hills
Text to left of this Godavary April 10
Old male & young same genus as Gangular or Calliope
& Gould Grillivora of Swainson?

Text above

Philomelina [Hemiptilon]? Mihi

Genuses Grillivora sub genus general structure of Grillivora but the bill less armed the legs & feet more ambulatory tail shorter & less gradated, wings shorter & rounder with 4, 5, 6 quills nearly equal [Bill] as in Calliope but not as compressed base depressed exceeding antial toe & nail lateral toes equal. Nails less deep, less bent & less acute passes to Bradypterus

Type H Phaenicuroides Mihi

1 & 3 gradated Tarsus

Wings short & rounded 5 usually longest 2 first

much & subequally gradated. Tail somewhat elongated & gradated. Legs & feet strong & ambulatory tarsi elevate smooth & strong toes & nails compressed suited to the ground, stomach strong WORD, feeds chiefly on small hard insects Type H Phaenicuroides Mihi allied most to Calliope & Bradypterus differs from former type by its ample more gradated tail & shorter more rounded wing as well as the depressed base of its bill. represents Grillivora &[Erythase]? in the more armed billed group 2 The Saxicolinae allied also to our Chaimarronis. The Phaen. & [Encacephala]? of [Vigors]? wh. however is a real Phanicura is a Bradypterus no doubt & possibly a typical one,ergo above ch. dropt

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Table of Measurements

			In Pencil	
	mas.		mas	feem
	(1) (2)	(1)	(1)	(2)
Tip bill to tip tail	0.7 % 0.7 %	0.7 3/4	0.7 1/2	0.5 3/4
Espanse	9 - 0.8 3/4	0.9 1/8		
Bill length	7/8		13/16	13/16
Tail	3 1/4		3 1/4	-3 -
Closed wing	2 1/8		2 13/16	2 5/8
Tarsus	1 1/4		1 3/16	1 3/16
C. toe & nail	15/16		15/16	15/16
Hind toe nail	11/16		11/16	5/8
	1 oz 3/4			

Valley of Nepal Godavary April 10 Male old & young, latter same size but olive above & rufous below where old one blue. Tongue cartil. simple tip subbifid nares ovoid lateral small membrane all round [fine]? wings 2 1/8 less tail. 5 longest 6 subeq. 1 & 2

much less gradated tertials ½ inch less primes, tarsi smooth, toes compressed hard ambulatory exterior lateral longer, hind least compressed with its long nail exceeding either lateral. Nails simple, hind largest tail gradated to above an inch. Intestines 8 inch caecum ½ St. sub-gizzard almost, consid. unequal thickness, tiny hard insects, insects only no gravel (2) Young male April 13 the Valley. Intestines 8 inches, tiny caec. near end. St. little thickened muscular coat, hard insects & soft hairy (caterpillars) Wings less tail 2 ¼ inch [tert.]? ½ less * for small signs of moult

*Transcribers note- pages are tightly bound so that it may be impossible to make out the odd word at the end of a line...wings have 4 -5 quills equal A pair from the snows July measured in Pencil see measurement table preceding this text

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Coloured illustration of brown bird facing to right Caption- Hodgsonius Phaenicuroides Dorjeeling March '47