

on the front of the head there are small brown spots in the form of a crescent: the head and the upper part of the neck are of a yellowish white variegated with brown: the tail of a reddish brown at top, and of a dirty white at bottom, with six black bands: the beak greenish: the tongue and all the interior of the mouth, a rose colour: the iris a yellowish white: the membrane at the base of the beak and the feet, a citron yellow, and the claws black.

THE EAGLE OF ASTRACAN.

THIS eagle is nearly double the size of the preceding one, its length being nearly five feet one inch. It is also more voracious and more destructive, and its insatiable eagerness for prey induced Gmelin, who describes it in the *Recueil des Memoires de l'Academie de Petersbourg*, to give it the name of the *ferocious eagle* (*falco ferox*). But that sort of ferocity which impels it to slaughter, is common to it with other birds
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