

inches, while the two intermediate ones of the other are five and a half.

Besides, the destroying eagle has the top and the sides of the head of a blackish grey: the tuft is grey, and its long feather black terminated with grey: the under part of the tuft and the neck are grey: the back and the large covert feathers of the wings are black intermingled with greyish circles: the top part of the wing grey mixed with black: the quill feathers black, and extending two-thirds over the tail: the tail itself is black shaded with grey, whitish underneath, and terminated by a black band: the breast and the belly of a dirty white mixed with grey: the feathers of the legs white and striped with black: the short close feathers which cover the feet about one inch below the knee, are whitish; the tarsus and the toes of a pale yellow, and the beak and talons of a horn colour.

Independently of the shades of colour, we may remark another disparity of form between the destroying eagle and the great one of Guiana; viz. its feet are covered with a sort of down as far as one inch below the knee; while the great eagle of Guiana has these same parts covered with feathers as far as two inches