

large band of a clear fawn colour crosses the tail transversely, which is embroidered with white. The female, which is the most powerful, is marked with a whitish yellow.

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#### THE SMALL CRYING BUZZARD.

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SONNERAT describes a buzzard which is about the size of a pigeon, and which inhabits the coasts of Coromandel. It is in the midst of the humid fields of rice, where numerous small frogs are to be found, that this bird takes up its ordinary residence, and there also it finds its nourishment.

As this animal is very fierce and wild, it cannot be approached very nearly: and besides, he perceives the hunter at a great distance and takes precautions against his approach. When he is upon the point of taking wing, he utters a continued cry, from which