

variegated with green and blue. The colour of the body is a mixture of red, blue, and green; the fold of the wing is green, spotted with white; the wings are red, with the exception of the large quill feathers, which are blue; the long covert feathers of the upper part of the tail fall in the form of an arch on both sides; they are variegated with divers colours, and the quill feathers, which are themselves very long, are tinged with blue and red; the beak is red, and the feet are yellow, and without spurs.

This is all that is known of this beautifully feathered pheasant; it has hitherto been seen only in paintings, and perhaps it exists only in the imagination of Chinese painters.

THE FIRE-COLOURED PHEASANT.

THIS is one of those species which we are necessitated to call *new*, because it is not found described nor even indicated in the works of any naturalist. Sir George Staunton, secretary to the English Embassy to China, is the only traveller who has mentioned it. He saw
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