

feathers of the neck, of the back, and the throat, are round, and in the form of scales, like those of the Indian cock: the feet are thick, and armed with spurs extremely strong, long, and pointed. The colour of the legs, as well as that of the beak, is whitish.

Sir George Staunton does not say whether this bird, which has more affinity with the pheasant than with any other species, is natural to the island of Java, or whether the individual, which was given to him, had been brought from any other country of India.

THE AFRICAN PHEASANT.

THE skin of this bird is preserved in the British Museum, and little of its history is known, except that it was sent from Africa.

Its feathers are of a cinereous blue on the body, and white underneath, with black stems; the quill feathers of the tail are rounded at their ends, and entirely black, with the exception