

angle of the eye. Length of the wings, seven inches two lines: length of the tail, eight inches; it projects beyond the wings when folded, six inches and a half. Length of the tarsus, two inches; of the middle toe, two inches; of the hinder one fourteen lines.

The *hoitlallotl* of Fernandez, without being of the same species as the parrakoua, for their colours are different, is however, only a variety perhaps. But it seems pretty certain that the parrakoua is the same bird as the wild hen, the *Katraca* of P. Feuillée; some differences, to be sure, may be observed between them in the colour of the plumage; but, besides that these differences are not considerable, it is well known that, particularly in hot countries, they are the ordinary consequences of diversity of climate, and even of situation. It must be confessed, however, that the form of the beak, which in the *katraca*, is almost like that of our wood-pigeon, only being somewhat shorter and more solid, is a very considerable difficulty, and which cannot be removed by recourse to any supposition of the influence of climate. But otherwise, the resemblances are so marked in these two birds, that we cannot hesitate to consider them as one; they have both the same shape, the same manner (*viz.* that of