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THE CROW WITH WHITE DOWN.

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DAMPIER, in his voyages, says that the crows of New Guinea differ from ours in nothing but the plumage, of which all the external part is black, and all the interior white, But this species does not appear to be peculiar to the southern countries of Africa, for Maugé, a very ingenious naturalist, found them in the Antilles, at Porto Rico, and deposited an individual in the cabinet of natural history at Paris, where Daudin saw and described it.

This bird has a great affinity with the Jamaica crow, described by Sir Hans Sloane, in its shape, and even in its colour, if only the exterior of its plumage be considered, which is of a beautiful deep black; but if the feathers be raised, there might be seen a white down, with which they are furnished at their basis. From this peculiarity it may be presumed that the present bird and the Jamaica crow are the same species, more accurately examined by naturalists than travellers, which