

dam, and Levaillant has copied it in his splendid work on the natural history of African birds. He believes this one to be of African origin, and that it is gregarious, though he confesses that he has not been able to collect any data as to its habitudes or its natal country.

THE GEOFFROY.

THIS appellation is a deserved homage which Levaillant has rendered to the zeal and science of Geoffroi de Villeneuve, who brought from Senegal the first birds of this species which were ever seen in France. Many naturalists have thought that it ought to be ranked among the butcher birds, and the name of *the tufted butcher bird of Senegal* has been given to one of this species, which is preserved in the cabinet of natural history at Paris. It is not, however, possible to refuse concurring with Levaillant in the ejection of this bird from the tribe to which it has been assimilated.

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