bird easily supports the most intense cold; they fly in troops during the winter, and fix their nest in spring in the most obscure places. The female lays only five eggs. This bird, which is somewhat more than five inches in length, was first described by Forster, in the Philosophical Transactions, and afterwards by Muller.

All the feathers of this animal are long and thinly disposed; its beak and its feet are black; its sides of a rusty colour; the tail, which is rounded, is about two inches and a half long; a reddish brown covers the body, with the exception of the back, which is of a greyish cinereous colour. The throat is black, and edged, towards the breast, with a white stripe, which extends under the eyes; the quill feathers of the wings have a cinereous coloured border.

## THE LARGE HEADED TOM-TIT.

THE particularity which distinguishes this bird arises from the swelling of the feathers VOL. VI. 2 K which

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