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IN compiling this supplementary volume to the present edition of Buffon, it has been studiously endeavoured to adapt it to the preceding ones, by following the same arrangement. He, therefore, who should wish to know, in his progress through this part of natural history, what new species of each bird may have been discovered since the time of the illustrious original, will find them arranged in this volume, in a corresponding order with that of the former ones. It was thought that the *utility* of the work would be thus increased.

In selecting from a great mass of materials, the guiding principle has been to collect what is most rare, and at the same time most deficient in the former part of the work. A very great proportion of the articles is entirely new to any English system of ornithology, being such as have been amassed by Sonnini and Virey, either in the personal travels of the
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