

PTILOTIS ORNATUS, Gould.

Fig. 1.

Ptil. vertice, alarum marginibus externis, necnon caudæ olivaceis ; dorso, uropygioque brunneis ; gula genisque olivaceo-fuscis ; pectore, corporeque subtus cinerescentibus, singulis plumis notâ latâ brunneâ in medio ornatis ; crisso pallidè badio plumis fusco striatis, penicillâ nitidè flavâ utrumque colli latus ornante ; notâ longitudinali sub oculos olivaceâ ; primariis reatricibusque caudæ fuscis, his ad apicem externum albis ; rostro nigrescente ; pedibus brunneis.

Long. tot. $6\frac{1}{2}$ unc. ; rostri, $\frac{3}{4}$; alæ, $3\frac{5}{8}$; caudæ, $3\frac{1}{8}$; tarsi, $\frac{3}{4}$.

Crown of the head, external edges of the wings, and the tail rich olive ; back and rump brown ; throat and cheeks olive-brown ; chest and under surface greyish white, each feather having a broad conspicuous mark of dark brown down the centre ; under tail-coverts buffy white, each feather having a central stripe of brown ; on each side of the neck a lengthened tuft of rich yellow feathers, and immediately below the eyes a longitudinal obscure mark of rich olive ; primaries and tail-feathers brown, the latter very slightly tipped with white ; bill blackish brown ; legs light brown.

SYN. *Ptilotis ornatus*, Gould in Proc. of Zool. Soc., Part VI., 1838.

Habitat. Australia : locality, Swan River.