

MELIPHAGA PENICILLATA, *Gould.*

Fig. 1.

Mel. facie plumisque auricularibus flavidis ; pone has penicillâ sericeâ albâ oriente ; corpore superiore flavescenti-griseo ; pogoniis remigum externis latioribus ; corpore subtùs pallidè brunnescenti-cinereo ; rostro pedibusque brunneis.

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

Sides of the face and ear-coverts delicate yellow ; behind the ear-coverts a small tuft of white silky feathers ; upper surface rich yellowish grey ; the outer edges of the quill-feathers tinged with a richer colour ; under surface light yellowish brown ; bill and feet brown.

Meliphaga penicillata, Gould in Proc. of Zool. Soc., Part V., 1837.

Habitat. Australia : locality, interior of New South Wales.