15.—VARIEGATED WAGTAIL.

La Lavandiere variée, Levail. Afr. iv. 86. pl. 179.

SIZE of the last. Bill yellowish; irides brown; crown of the head and hind part of the neck, bright olive-brown; upper parts of the plumage much the same; wings dusky, with a whitish spot on the middle of the coverts, the greater ones bordered with white, and a few yellowish markings; the quills have also a mixture of white and yellowish; all the under parts of the body brown, and dusky white; across the breast a black brown collar; the four middle tail feathers black, the others more white as they proceed outward, the exterior one being wholly white, except at the base; the legs rufous.

The female differs from the male in being destitute of a collar. Inhabits the interior of the Cape of Good Hope, chiefly about Manners and incubation unknown.

probably allied to the last.

the Caffre Country.

16.—AFRICAN WAGTAIL.

Motacilla Afra, Ind. Orn. ii. 505. Gml. Lin. i. 962. La petite Bergeronette du Cap. de B. Esp. Buf. v. 274. African Wagtail, Gen. Syn. iv. 402. Shaw's Zool. x. 561.

THIS is smaller than the Cape Wagtail. Bill black, broad at the base, slender at the point, and a little curved; plumage on the upper parts yellowish brown; beneath the body yellow, except the under tail coverts, which are white; over the eye a streak of white; the tail is half the length of the bird, and black; legs black, the hind claw largest.

Inhabits the Cape of Good Hope.