

and red birds, or Virginian Nightingales, of beautiful plumage, but whose notes are far inferior to those of the English Thrush. Likewise the little Humming Bird, of exquisite beauty, whose beak is nearly the length of his body, and whose whole frame is very little larger than a Queen Bee.

The domesticated part of the feathered tribe are, however, not so secure from harm as those who roam free and unconfined; such incredible swarms of rats harbour in the crevices of the rocks, as renders the greatest care necessary, to prevent every unfortunate fowl from being carried off by these midnight marauders.

The principal Islands are Ireland, where there is a naval depot and dock-yard, St. George's, St. David's, Somerset, Long, Bird, Cooper, and