

But of this Species, the greatest Curiosity here is the *Humming-Bird*; of this there are two Sorts, one of which is Littleness itself, being, with all its Feathers, no bigger than a *Lady-Bird*. The other makes a strong Tingling in your Ears, like the Buz of a *Blue Bottle Fly*, which he does not much exceed in Size, his Claws, being about an Inch long, look like so many fine Needles; his Beak is the same, which however is but a Case to another much finer, which he unsheaths and darts into the Bottom of Flowers, to suck their Honey, which is his Food. In short, this Creature deserves to be called, Dame Nature's Trinket; he carries a most beautiful Black Tuft upon his Crown, his Breast glows with a rose-coloured Red, under which appears a Belly white as Milk; his Back, Wings and Tail are of a Rose Bush Green, enriched with a refulgent Shade of Gold, and an imperceptible Down throws over the whole Plumage, an undulating Softness and Bloom, which is inexpressibly delicate.

I am not writing the Natural History of this Country; and therefore, with regard to *Reptiles*, I shall just mention only the *Rattle Snake*, which is seen here as in other Parts of *North America*, and too well known to need any Description. I shall only take Notice, that he is naturally shy, and never attacks a Passenger unless he be irritated. His Bite is very venomous, and was esteem'd incurable