

near it. It is very shy and cautious, and is seldom killed even by the Indians, who are fond of its flesh.

SLENDER-BILLED GUILLEMOT.

*Uria *Townsendi*, (AUNUDON.) Birds of America, Vol. IV., pl. 430. Male and female.

Bill very slender, black; nostrils small, rounded, open; an interrupted circle of white around the eye; head and neck above, dark umber brown, slightly waved with blackish; back, rump, and upper tail-coverts, light yellowish-fuscous, with broad transverse bands of black; wings blackish, edged with grayish-plumbeous, the greater coverts tipped with white; tail short, rounded, extending about an inch beyond the closed wings; throat cinereous-gray waved transversely with a darker tint; lower parts black, spotted with white; flanks white; legs and feet sulphur yellow; claws black. Irides dark hazel. Length 8 inches.

The female has the whole upper parts of a dull cinereous color; scapulars, and a narrow occipital band, white; whole lower parts white; a few black, longitudinal streaks on the flanks. Length about the same as the male.

Inhabits the bays of the N. W. Coast of America, in latitude 38° to 40°. The specimens were shot and presented to me by Captain W. Brodie, to whom I am under very great obligations for the addition to my collection of several fine species.