

A.—*Corvus clericus*, *Ind. Orn.* i. 152. 4. β . *Gm. Lin.* i. 365. *Musc. Carls. fasc.* i. t. 2.

This chiefly differs from the common one, in having the base of the bill ash-coloured, the chin white, and the black in some parts more inclined to dusky.

Ray, in his *Letters*, p. 108, mentions one wholly white.

5.—ROOK.

Corvus Frugilegus, *Ind. Orn.* i. 152. *Lin.* i. 156. *Faun. Suec.* No. 85. *It. Oel.* 67. *Gm. Lin.* i. 366. *Kram.* 333. 2. *Bor. Nat.* ii. 105. *Raii.* p. 83. A. 3. *Will.* 84. t. 18. *Frisch.* t. 64. *Gerini*, ii. 35. t. 143. 145. *Bris.* ii. 16. *Id.* 8vo. i. 158. *Klein. Av.* p. 59. *Id. Stem.* p. 10. t. 10. f. 3. a. b. *Id. Ov.* t. 8. f. 10. *Daud.* ii. 229. *Sepp. Voy.* iii. t. 103. *Shaw's Zool.* vii. 347. *Tem. Man. d'Orn.* p. 69. *Id. Ed.* ii. p. 110.

Saatkrahe, *Naturf.* ix. s. 41.

Le Freux, on la Frayonne, *Buf.* iii. 55. *Pl. enl.* 484.

Corneille du Cap, *Levail Ois.* ii. p. 11. No. 52.

Rook, *Gen. Syn.* i. 372. *Id. Sup.* 76. *Id. Sup.* ii. 109. *Bart. Trav.* 286. *Br. Zool.* i. pl. 34. *Id.* 1812, 282. *Arct. Zool.* ii. p. 250. A. *Alb.* ii. pl. 23. *Will. Eng.* 123. *Bewick. Birds*, pl. p. 71. *Lewin*, i. pl. 35. *Id. Eggs* pl. vi. f. 3. *Walc. Birds* i. pl. 34. *Orn. Dict. & Supp.*

THIS and the Crow are not easily distinguished while young, though the former is somewhat bigger, but the Rook, when at mature age, appears bare about the nostrils, and root of the bill, arising from the latter being thrust into the earth after worms and other insects, which the Crow never does, and therefore retains the bristles over the nostrils as long as it lives. In the Rook too, the tail feathers are more rounded at the end. The Rook feeds also on grains of all sorts, hence is injurious to the husbandman, and would be more so, did it not at the same time destroy vast quantities of the larvæ of the Chafer Beetles,* which in some seasons ruin whole crops of corn, by feeding on the roots.

* *Scarabæus Melolontha*, & *Solstitialis*.—*Lin.*