

THE KINGBIRD.



APPEARANCE : *Length*,—8 inches, about two inches shorter than the robin. *Colours*,—ashy black above, white, shaded with ash colour beneath. The male has a concealed crest of orange-red on the crown. Tail, black, terminating with a white band conspicuous in flight. Wing feathers edged with white.

RANGE : North America east of the Rockies, and between the Arctic regions and South America.

MIGRATIONS : May, September, a common summer resident.

SONG : A rasping clatter, a harsh chattering *ching, ching*.