

*The Figures of some Antiquities; communicated by a Member of the Royal Society.*

1. A Ring of Corinthian Brass with a Vizard of *Silenus* in a *Sardonix*.
2. An Amulet of the *Gnosticks* cut in a *Chalcedonian*, the names of certain *Æones* or *Intelligences*.
3. A *Tessera* of *Chrystal* having on one side *XIIII.* on the other *I Δ.*
4. A *Fortune* and a half *Diana* in an *Onyx*.
5. An Ancient Picture of the *Virgin* in a *Chalcedonian*.
6. A *Cameus*, with a mixture of severall Gods.
7. An *Onyx*.
8. A *Glaſs Lachrymatory*.

*A Letter of Dr Lifter's to Mr Ray, concerning some particulars that might be added to the Ornithology.*

SIR,

**I**N answer to your kind Letter, I send you, what I designed for you some years since, viz. an *Abstract* of my Notes about *Birds*, which may be added to yours and Mr. *Willughby's History of Birds*, if you think fit; such as they are take them.

Fringilla montana major] *Sea Larks* nostris Aucupibus appellantur. Sc. in Agro Eboracensi sæviante Bruma sat copiose capiuntur.

Ruberculæ excrementa semper liquida sunt; etiamsi illa ovorum luteis duriter coctis victitet; intestinis Cæcis

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caret, aut ea valde exigua & inutilia habet. Muscarum autem cortices, & quæ ex id genus Victu facile coqui & eliquari in ventriculo non possunt; figura rotunda, pisorum in modum rejicit.

Morinellus Anglo[rum] Hæ Aves bis in anno loca paludosa relinquunt & se in campos montosos gregatim recipiunt: Sc. *Aprili & Augusto*.

Transmigrationis autem causa ex Victu petenda est. Nam tum temporis aves quoddam Cibi genus ibidem repetendum appetunt; ut autem id certo scirem, plurium Ventriculos dissecui, in quibus maximam partem Scarabæos quosdam minutos & nigricantes inveni; at inter alia & Costos & Cochleas Terrestres exiguas adverti.

Anserum ferorum 5 genera vulgo numerantur in agro Eboracensi satis frequentium (1) *The little Spanish Goose*, Sc. æque parvus ac *Brenta*, sed figura & colore quodammodo ad Anserem Domesticum accedens, ab Hispania denominatur. (2) *The Barnicle*, satis cognitus. (3) *The Scotch Goose*, Sc. Vulgatissimus ferus, à Scotia ad nos, exeunte *Augusto*, adveniens, è quibus fere constant innumeri illi Greges qui in planis Campis (the *Woods* dictis) & alibi passim inveniuntur. (4) *The Whilk* Anser maximus niger, ineunte bruma primum adveniens; raro alibi quam in Pratis, pascuisque herba pascitur. (5) Anser Palustris noster, *Grey Lagg*, dictus; huic magnitudo Anseri Domestico subpar. Caput ex fusco nigricat, & ad medium Collum infuscatur; dorsum ex cinereo livescit; ipsæ autem Alæ, & earum remiges nigricant: Uropygium albescit, ejusque pennæ externæ albidæ sunt: Venter cinereus; is vero imus sensim fit niveus: Rostrum à Capite ad mediam fere partem nigrum, deinde subpurpureum, ipso ejus apice nigro; in superiore mandibulo non nisi unus denticulorum ordo, atque idem simplex ordo in inferiore; item huic lingua utrinque uno denticulorum ordine armatur. Pedes subpurpurei sive Carnei coloris, ungues fere albi, excepto medii digiti, qui ex  
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majori parte nigricat. Pendet libras 7, & fere dimidium. In Paludibus Agri Eboracensis nidificant, ipsi & earum Pulli mense Majo pinguescunt, & in deliciis habentur.

Ad lanios ea Avicula referenda est, quam à *Germanis Silk-tail* vulgo appellari audio; harum unam aut alteram sclopeti glande transfixam, Eboraci, exeunte *Januario Anni 1680* vidi. Sane perquam elegans Avicula est, magnitudine Turdum fere æquabat: huic in extremis Alarum pennis 4 aut 5 apices parvi coccinei nudi, Cornei, minime plumis vestiti; item in extrema cauda limbus latus, luteus instar corticis Citri, cætera maximam partem Lanium colore refert.

Hos lanios in Prusia frequentes esse ajunt Mercatores nostri.

*Sir*, I will not affirm the *Grey Lagg* to be different from the common *Wild Goose*: your Description and mine so well agree, save in the colour of the *Bill* and *Leggs*. The design of the *Lanius*, I can send you done from the Skin.

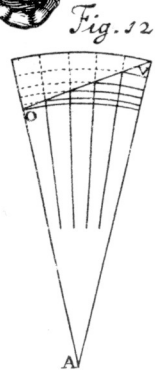
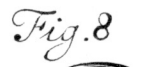
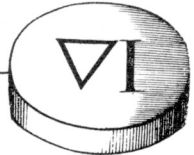
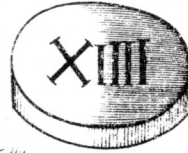
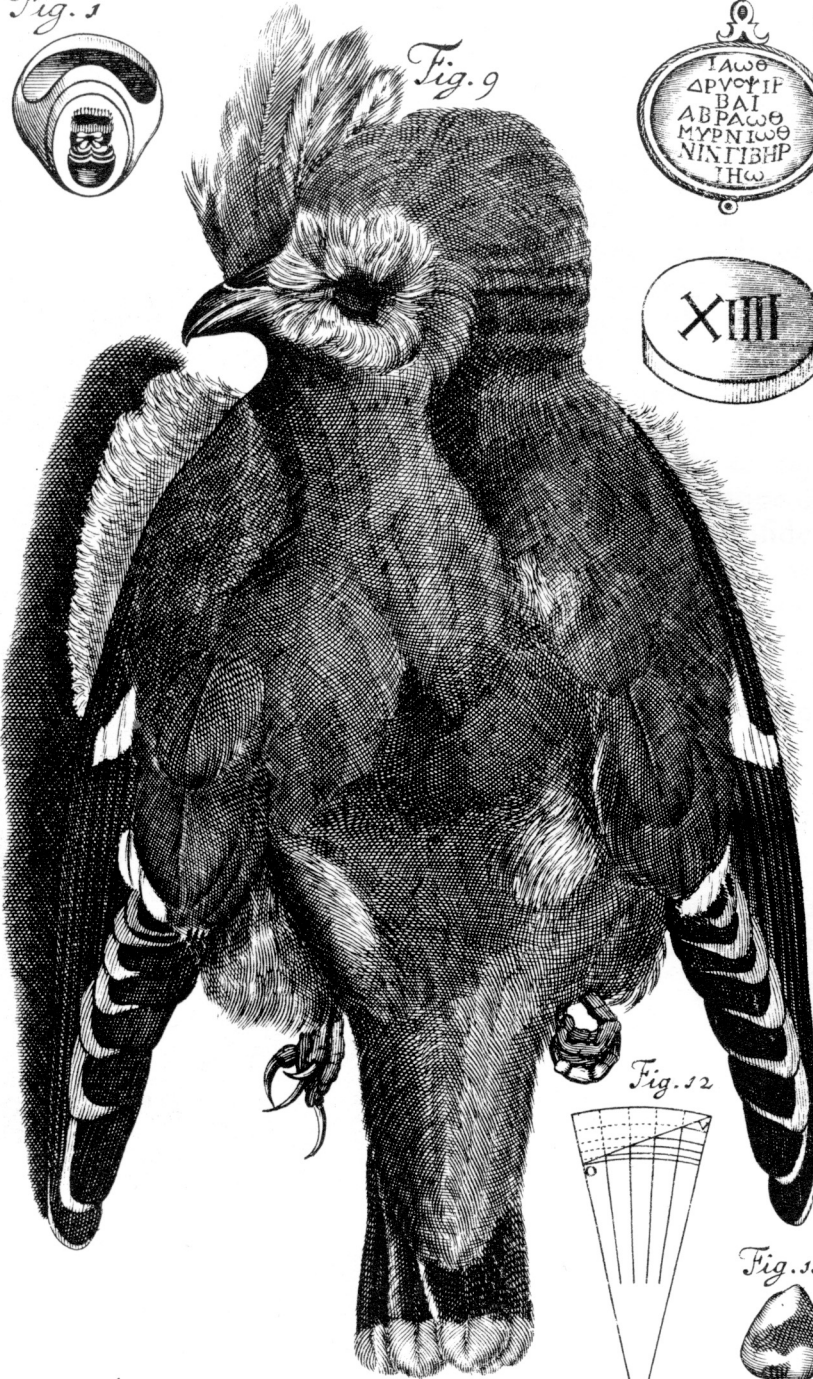
*I am, Sir, Your most Humble*

*Servant* M. LISTER.

*I have since viewed the Bill of the Bird called Silk-Tail at Mr. Charltons, and find it to want the notches in the upper part of the Bill proper to the Lanius kind. It must therefore be removed, and put amongst the Jay's.*

See Dr. Lister's Figure of the *Silk-Tail* Fig. 9<sup>th</sup>.

Philosoph: Transact: Numb: 175.



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