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Ornithology; from the Close of the 17th Century to the present Time." I mention this, because most of the works which have appeared on ornithology are therein noticed; and many unaccountable errors, similar to that I have just mentioned, are pointed out. To this article, therefore, I refer Mr. Rennie; and return we once more to the redbreast, which, we begin to fear, will get rather ruffled at the repeated breaks in his history. Another very favourite place of nidification with the redbreast is the thatch of old sheds. The industrious little bird is not satisfied with the natural nest, as it were, thus afforded, but builds one within this, in the same way that the common redstart (Ruticilla Luscinia) does; and neither of these birds easily forsake their eggs. [IV. 465.] I have known redbreasts caught many times a day on their eggs, yet continuing to sit on them: —

"Sit on; away we would not bear e marintectum a he Those freckled eggs, thy anxious care; Nor of thy plumes a feather mar, Thou social bird!

"Sit on, and keep thy leafy bed, Secure in thy secluded shed, Till forth thy spotted brood be led You shrubs among."

It only remains to give the description and colours; which is, as Wilson remarks, necessary even in the commonest birds. Male. Head, back, wings, and tail, olive brown tinged with green; forehead, cheeks, and breast, reddish orange, somewhat inclining to brick-red; the red on the breast surrounded with light grey; belly white; thighs brownish green; flanks the same; quill-feathers brown, edged with olive; bill and shanks dark brown; length 5\frac{3}{4} in. — Female. Rather smaller; colours not so bright, nor so distinct; in other particulars similar. - Young. Oil-green tinged with brown, and spotted with lighter brown. In this state they are sometimes, by the inexperienced, mistaken for the hedge dunnoc. [IV. 412.] The common blueback (Siàlia familiàris) claims a near relationship to the robin redbreast; and was, by some of the American ornithologists, called Rubécula siàlis, the blue-backed redbreast.

Near Derby, October 5. 1835.

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ART. III. Catalogue of Irish Crustàcea, Myriapoda, and Arachnöida, selected from the Papers of the late John Templeton, Esq. By ROBERT TEMPLETON, Esq.

Considerable additions have been made since the date of this catalogue (1826), due principally to the exertions. in the

cause of science of two of the most distinguished members of the Belfast Natural History Society, George C. Hyndman and R. Patterson, Esqrs.

CRUSTA'CEA. ENTOMO'STRACA.

I.

Apus Cuv. Scop. cancrifórmis Lam.? In stagnant waters. — Calìgus Müll. Múlleri, Samouelle Ent. Comp. p. 79. On the codfish. — C. prodúctus Müll. On the salmon.

II.

Dáphnia Müll. Pùlex Lin., Samouelle Ent. Comp. p. 80. In the pond at Cranmore. — D. longispìna Müll. In the pond at Cranmore. — Cỳpris Müll. conchàcea Lin. Inhabiting ditches and stagnant waters, where I have seen it on the dissolving of the ice after a severe frost. — Cytherèa Müll. víridis Müll. Among Fûci at Bangor and Macedon point. — C. lùtea Müll. Among Fûci at Bangor.

III.

Cỳclops Müll. quadricórnis Lin. In the drains at the moss, Cranmore. — C. minùtus Müller. Early in spring, in the drains of Cranmore. — C. longicórnis Müll. In the drains at the point fields, Belfast.—Polyphèmus Müll. óculus Müll., Cephalóculus stagnòrum. In marshes and drains, very rare.

IV.

Branchiópoda Lam. stagnàlis Linn. In the pond along with Dáphnia Pùlex.

MALACO'STRACA. PODOPHTHA'LMA.

1. BRACHYU'RA.

Corýstidæ.

Corýstes Lat. Cassivelaúnus Penn. Found on the shore at Cushendall Bay.—Atelécyclus Leach 7-dentàtus. Found in the stomach of a codfish, January 17. 1817.

Portunidæ.

Cárcinus Leach Mæ'nas Auct. Common about all our shores. — Pórtunus Fab. pùber Linn. Found in Belfast Lough. — P. depurator Linn. Found on the sands at Dunfanaghy, county Donegal, July 13. 1815. — P. lívidus Leach. With last, on the shore at Dunfanaghy.

Cancéridæ.

Cancer Linn. Pagurus Linn. Common.

Oxypodàidæ.

Pinnotères Latr. minùtus Linn. Penn. Dredged up in Belfast Lough, August 18. 1811.

Maiadæ.

Pìsa Leach tetràodon Penn. — Hỳas Leach Aràneus Linn. Carrickfergus, on the shore; in the belly of a codfish, January 1798.

Lithodiada.

Lithòdes Latr. Màja Linn. Found on the coast of the county Wexford, a specimen thence is in Trinity College Museum. It is called by the people Craban.

Macropodiadæ.

Macropòdia Leach Phalángium Penn. Not uncommon on the Irish coast.

2. MACROU'RA.

Paguridæ.

Pagurus Fab. Bernhardus Auct. Very common on the coast, in the deserted shells of Murex antiquus and Buccinum undatum.

Galatèadæ.

Porcellàna Lam. platychèles Penn. Whitehouse shore, Mr. James Grimshaw, jun. — Galatèa Fab. spinigera Leach, Astacus strigòsus Penn., Herbst, not of Linnæus. Found on a rock near Bangor, November, 1819. Another specimen in the stomach of a codfish.

Astácidæ.

A'stacus Fab. Gámmarus Linn. Along all our rocky coast. —A. fluviátilis Fab., Cáncer A'stacus Linn. Inhabits several of our lakes and rivers. In great abundance in a lake near Tullahan, county Monaghan; near Antrim, in the 6-mile water. — Nèphrops Leach norwégicus Linn. A rare species, but sometimes found in Belfast Lough.

Palæmónidæ.

Crángon Fab. Latr. vulgàris Fab. Common. — Palæ'mon Fab. serràtus Penn. Inhabits sandy bays; was once common in Belfast Lough, now rare. — P. Squílla Linn. Common on the shore of Belfast Lough.

EDRIOPTHA'LMA.

Gammáridæ.

Tálitrus Latr. Locústa Latr. Inhabits all our sandy shores.

— Orchéstia Leach littòrea Mont. Inhabits all our sandy shores, living under stones and Fùci, and, when disturbed, leaping to a considerable distance. — Gámmarus Latr. Pùlex Linn. aquáticus Leach. Inhabiting our rivers and springs. — G. Locústa Mont. Inhabits the sea along our coasts, never voluntarily leaving the water. — Coròphium Latr. gróssipes Linn., longicórne Latr. Leach. Inhabits Belfast Lough. In the little pools of salt water at the point fields, Belfast.

Idotèadæ.

Idotèn Fab. éntomon Linn. Common on rocks. — I. œ's-trum Penn. On rocks.

Næ'sa Leach bidentàtus Adams, Linn. Trans., vol. viii. tab. 2. fig. 3. Found on some limestone lifted out of the sea at Whitehouse. — Sphæròma Lat. serràta Fab. Found at Whitehouse shore among sea weeds, Sept., 1807. — Limnòria Leach térebrans Leach. Occurs on several parts of the coast, along with the Terèdo, on piles and timber.

Aséllidæ.

Aséllus Geoff. aquáticus Linn. Common in rivulets and ditches.

Ligiadæ.

Ligia Fab. oceánica Fab. Common on our shores on rocks.

Oniscidæ.

Oniscus Auct. Aséllus Linn. Common among rotting timber, &c. — Porcéllio Latr. Aséllus Fab., scàber Latr. Common under stones, wood, and in old walls. — P. læ`vis Leach. Rare: I have only seen one specimen. — P. convéxus I have not met with.

Armadillo Lat. vulgàris Lat. Inhabits among stones and moss.

MYRIA'PODA. CHILO'GNATHA.

Gloméridæ.

Glómeris Lat. marginàta Vill. Leach. Very common under stones, and in moss. — G. testàcea. Similar to the last, but of a brick red; the segmental margins a little paler. I have seen a few specimens of this Glómeris: one is at pre-

sent in the collection of the Museum of Natural History, Belfast; the rest in Mr. G. C. Hyndman's cabinet. perhaps, merely a variety of the last.

Iulidæ.

Iùlus Linn. terréstris Linn. Inhabiting moss under stones and rotting bark of trees. — I. dùbius. Pale brown, with a tinge of purplish red: segments striated, a brown dorsal line: the stigmata dark brown; the 4 anterior and 4 posterior rings without stigmata; the extreme segment pointed. Among rotting wood, not uncommon at Cranmore. — I. punctàtus Leach. Not very rare among rotting wood. — I. pulchéllus Leach. Very common in gardens, &c.: it destroys bulbous and tuberous roots. It is the dreaded wireworm of gardeners and farmers. - I. pusillus Leach. I met with one specimen under a slate, among the blanched roots of grass.

Polydésmidæ.

Polydésmus Latr. complanàtus. Common.

Scolopéndridæ.

Lithòbius Leach forficàtus Linn. Very common. — L. variegatus Leach. Not uncommon. — L. lævilabrum Leach. Occasionally seen. — Crýptops Leach horténsis Leach. Not uncommon among moss and rotting plants in fields.

Geophilidæ.

Geóphilus Leach subterràneus Shaw, Leach. Very common in the garden at Cranmore. — G. maritimus Leach. I found some specimens under stones at Bangor. - G. longicórnis Leach. Under stones, &c. — G. eléctricus Linn. Found in crevices of decaying trees in damp situations.

ARACHNOI'DA.

PODOSO'MATA.

Nymphónidæ.

Nýmphum gróssipes Linn.? Found among Conférvæ collected about the Whitehead, Belfast Lough. The specimen is at present in the Belfast Museum. Dr. Drummond found another species, April 1820; but, as I have not seen it, I cannot refer it to its proper species.

POLYMEROSO'MATA.

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Scorpiónides.

Chélifer Geoff. musæòrum Leach. Broad, sub-pentagonal, pale brown, imbricated, depressed, legs pale reddish brown, 5-jointed. Cheliferous legs, with the first joint minute cylindric; second, large triangular; third, elongate cylindric, truncated obliquely at the extremities; fourth, clavate; fifth, pyriform; all more or less covered with minute hairs: the hinder legs with 2 claws. Beneath, the abdomen has, near its centre, an infundibuliform rhomboid depression. R. T. In Mr. Hyndman's cabinet. — C. parasítica Herm. The hairs on the abdomen of this species are all spatulate with the apex generally trifid; those on other parts, lobated or toothed laterally. Caught in Island Magee, county Antrim, and at present in Mr. Patterson's cabinet, Belfast. Herman's figure is far from correct, especially in the form of the points of the cheliferous legs. R. T.

DIMEROSO'MATA.

Phalángidæ.

Phalángium Linn. bimaculàtum Fab. Common. — P. cornùtum Linn., P. cornùtum Linn. male, P. Opílio Linn. fem. Common. — P. annùlipes. Two female specimens. — P. pusíllum. Not uncommon. — P. armàtum. Common. — P. nigripálpe. Rather rare. — P. trispiníferum. P. híspidum? Herm., P. spinulòsum? Herm., P. tricúspidum? Dufour. Very common. — P. lóngipes. P. lóngipes? Herm. Common. — P. rotúndum Latreille. Very common. Woolwich, Sept. 30. 1835.

ART. IV. Illustrations in British Zoology. By George Johnston, M.D., Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh.

Cl. Annélides, Ord. Errántes, Fam. Nerèides.

Genus PSA'MATHE.

Character.—Body scolopendriform: head small: eyes 4, in pairs: tentacula 4, short, frontal: mouth edentulous, the proboscis very short, its aperture encircled with papillæ: tentacular cirri 4 pairs, unequal; feet uniramous, bifid at the apex; the dorsal cirri elongate, jointed, the ventral short: tail with two filaments.

This genus, which I have named Psámathe, in honour of the daughter of Nereus and Doris, will take rank, as it appears