



# The Naturalist` Library, II. Ornithology (Volume 2 V. 4)

Sir William Jardine



This historic book may have numerous typos and missing text. Purchasers can download a free scanned copy of the original book (without typos) from the publisher. Not indexed. Not illustrated. 1834. Excerpt: ... MEMOIR OF SIR THOMAS STAMFORD RAFFLES. The intention of these necessarily short memoirs being to sketch the character, and detail the labours, of those men who have advanced the science of Natural History, some passages will not be deemed inappropriate, which have been collected from the career of one, whose zeal for the advancement of this study was ever shewn, when a short leisure from the more important administration of his public duties would allow and to whom the British Naturalist is indebted for a Zoological establishment, which has already rivalled the utility, and emulated the magnificence, of the Continental institutions. The name of Sir T. Stamford Raffles is intimately connected with the political history of the East, and it is no less so with that of its natural pro We are indebted to the kindness of Lady Baffles for permission to copy the portrait, from a bust by Chantrey, which accompanies her interesting history of the Life and public services of Sir Thomas Stamford Baffles. VOL. IV. B duct ions. It will now be our endeavour to review his discoveries and researches in the Natural History of these interesting countries, separated as far as possible from the details of his arduous and important. public services. For this purpose we have been indebted chiefly to the interesting volume, published some years since under the superintendence of his amiable widow, and which has furnished those parts introduced from his correspondence, with the descriptions of his excursions in the interior of Sumatra while the History of Java, and the various papers which Sir Thomas has himself published, have afforded materials for the other parts. In the progress of the sketch it will be seen that the researches of this naturalist were not confined to one br...

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