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apart from each other of a fulvous white: beneath they be apart from each other of a fulvous white: beneath they be be but correspond in their markings. The thigh coverts are the tarsi are covered with rufous downy feathers, extendition the toes, which are hairy. The bill is light coloured. The see black. The total length is $15\frac{1}{2}$ inches; that of the bill this of the wing from the carpus to the end of the fourth quill inches; of the tail, $7\frac{1}{2}$; of the tarsi, $2\frac{1}{8}$.

13. Three beautiful little Owls, which I also think I am aware that several small species have been lately wibed belonging to South America, but none of them agree in these birds. The markings on the tail are the most dispuishing characters. They are from Port Famine.

STRIX NANA.

Sir. fusco-brunnea, fronte nuchâ alisque albo-notatis, gulâ albâ, adâ fascüs frequentibus rufis notatâ.

The face and throat are white; the feathers of the forehead are dightly marked, those of the nape, breast, and lower part of the adomen more strongly marked, with white striw. The upper the coverts and scapulars are partially spotted with white. The null feathers have both webs spotted with white at the margin, the spots on the outer webs being mixed with fulvous: they are siler beneath. The under wing coverts are white. The tail feathers have about nine rufous fasciw, and an equal number of proven of the same breadth; the last brown fascia nearest the new being the broadest and tipped with white. The tarsi are covered with rufous-white downy feathers as far as to the toes, which are hairy. The bill is pale, the ungues black. The length from the tip of the bill to the end of the tail is 5% inches, of the bill, 4 inch; of the wing from the carpal joint to the end of the loweth quill feather, 3% inches; of the tail, 2%; of the tarsi, %.

14. 15. 16. Similars from Port Famine.—There are three species among these birds, which seem very like our three British species, Hir. rustica, urbica, and riparia. I can speak however only from recollection, and must wait for an opportunity of comparison before I can decide the point.