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*Anas erythropus* (female). *Lin. Syst.* I. p. 197.

L'Oie fauvage du nord. *Bris. Orn.* VI. p. 269.

This bird weighs near seven pounds. The bill is very thick at the base, and of a pale orange colour; the nail at the tip is white: the forehead, and round the base of the bill, white: head, and neck, a pale dun: back, and wings, grey; greater wing coverts, edged with white: quills, black: breast and belly, white, with black curved markings: rump, and vent, white: legs, orange: webs, dusky.

It breeds in the northern parts of Europe and America, and visits us in the winter in small flights only, confining itself to the fens and marshes.

Linnæus has erroneously considered this species as the female of our barnacle goose.