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- Sympophysial in contact with the chin-shields; tail pointed 31. *melanota*, p. 349.
- C. Four upper labials, third entering the eye 32. *lovii*, p. 350.
- II. Ventrals 300–320; no distinct postocular 33. *gracillima*, p. 350.

1. Calamaria lumbricoidea.

Calamaria lumbricoidea, Boie, *Isis*, 1827, p. 540; Schleg. *Phys. Serp.* ii. p. 27, pl. i. figs. 14–16 (1837); Dum. & Bibr. vii. p. 89 (1854); Jan, *Arch. Zool. Anat. Phys.* ii. 1862, p. 8, and *Icon. Gén.* 10, pl. ii. fig. 2 (1865); v. *Lidth de Jeude*, *Notes Leyd. Mus.* xii. 1890, p. 254. — *lumbricoidea*, part., Günth. *Cat.* p. 5 (1858). — *variabilis*, v. *Lidth de Jeude*, in M. Weber, *Zool. Ergeb.* p. 183, pl. xvi. fig. 8 (1890).

Rostral broader than deep, well visible from above; frontal longer than broad, slightly shorter than the parietals, not twice as broad as the supraocular; one præ- and one postocular; diameter of the eye less than its distance from the mouth; five upper labials, the four anterior subequal in size, third and fourth entering the eye; symphysial in contact with the anterior chin-shields; both pairs of chin-shields in contact with each other. 13 rows of scales. Ventrals 177–217; anal entire; subcaudals 16–23. Tail ending in a point. Dark brown above, whitish inferiorly; lower surface of the tail with a dark brown longitudinal streak.

Total length 420 millim.; tail 35.

Java; Celebes.

A. Head uniform dark brown above.

a. ♂ (V. 191; C. 22). Java. Leyden Museum.

B. A yellowish band across the parietal shields.

b. ♂ (V. 177; C. 19). Java.

2. Calamaria vermiciformis.

Calamaria vermiciformis, Dum. & Bibr. vii. p. 85 (1854); Jan, *Arch. Zool. Anat. Phys.* ii. 1862, p. 8, and *Icon. Gén.* 10, pl. ii. fig. 3 (1865). — *temminckii*, Dum. & Bibr. t. c. p. 87; Günth. *Cat.* p. 5 (1858). — *schlegelii* (*non D. & B.*), Günth. l. c. — *dimidiata*, Bleek. *Nat. Tijdschr. Nederl. Ind.* xxi. 1860, p. 295. — *melanorhynchus*, Bleek. l. c. — *alkeni*, Bleek. l. c. — *flaviceps*, Günth. *Ann. & Mag. N. H.* (3) xv. 1865, p. 90. — *vermiciformis*, var. *sumatrana*, v. *Lidth de Jeude*, *Notes Leyd. Mus.* xii. 1890, p. 18.

Rostral a little broader than deep, visible from above; frontal longer than broad, not twice as broad as the supraocular, shorter than the parietals; a præ- and a postocular; diameter of the eye

equal to its distance from the mouth ; five or six upper labials, third and fourth entering the eye ; symphysial in contact with the anterior chin-shields ; posterior chin-shields in contact or separated. 13 rows of scales. Ventrals 153–210 ; anal entire ; subcaudals 15–26. Tail ending in a point. Dark brown or black above ; beneath yellowish, with or without large black transverse spots or cross bands, or uniform blackish brown.

Total length 410 millim. ; tail 33.

Sumatra, Borneo, Java, Moluccas.

A. Head yellow ; body with transverse series of small yellowish spots ; belly with large black spots or cross bands.

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| a. ♀ (V. 164; C. 20). | Sarawak. | Sir J. Brooke
[P.] | } (Types of
<i>C. flavi-</i>
A. R. Wallace,
Esq. [P.]) |
| b. Hgr. (V. 153; C. 26). | Borneo. | | |

B. Head yellow, with a black lateral streak, passing through the eye ; above with yellowish cross bars disposed regularly, each of which in the middle expands into a longitudinally oval spot ; belly barred black and yellow, the yellow bars confluent with the dorsals.

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| a. Hgr. (V. 184; C. 26). | Mt. Batu-Song,
Sarawak, 1000 ft. | C. Hose, Esq. [C.] |
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C. Head yellow above, entirely or partially ; body without spots ; belly with black cross bands.

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| a. ♂ (V. 154; C. 25). | Borneo. | A. R. Wallace, Esq. [P.] |
| b. ♀ (V. 169; C. 18). | Borneo. | |
| c. Yg. (V. 193; C. 22). | Sumatra. | Dr. Bleeker. (Type of
<i>C. melanorhynchus.</i>) |
| d. Hgr. (V. 167; C. 20). | E. coast of Suma-
tra. | Mrs. Findlay [P.] |

D. Head uniform dark brown or black above, like the body ; belly with large black spots or cross bands.

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| a. ♀ (V. 161; C. 20). | Matang, Borneo. | |
| b. ♂ (V. 188; C. 24). | Sumatra. | Dr. Bleeker.
(Type of <i>C. alkeni.</i>) |
| c-d. ♂ (V. 163, 164;
C. 22, 22). | Padang, Sumatra. | |
| e. ♀ (V. 194; C. 18). | Java. | C. Bowring, Esq. [P.] |
| f-g. ♂ (V. 162; C. 23)
& ♀ (V. 183; C. 17). | Ternate. | H.M.S. 'Challenger.' |

E. As in the preceding, but lower parts without or with mere traces of spots.

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| a. Yg. (V. 202; C. 17). | Java. | Dr. Bleeker. (Type of
<i>C. dimidiata.</i>) |
| b. Yg. (V. 210; C. 15). | Java. | Dr. Ploem [C.] |