

the teeth sword-like, bearded at the points; the foreteeth largest; the fins covering the gills; have seven spines; the tail ending in a point without fins.

This fish is of a beautiful silvery white, is found about the shores of India, and particularly near China, where it will leap into the fishermens' baskets. It is also found in some parts of America.

2. The *Xiphias* or *Sword-fish*. The body is round, the head long, the upper jaw terminating by a long beak in form of a sword, and the fins that cover the gills have six spines.

3. The *Dorada*, *Gilt-head*, or *Ophidium*, and by sailors called the *Dolphin*. The body sword-like; the head blunt; the fin covering the gill with seven spines; the mouth opens sideways; the fins of the back, the anus, and tail, all joining together.

SECT. II.—PRICKLY-FINNED JUGULAR-FISH.

4. The *Trechinus*, or *Weaver*. The body is oblong, the head obtuse; the bones covering the gills jagged at the bottom; the fins covering the gills with six spines; the anus near the breast. The fish buries itself in the sands, leaving only its nose out; and if trodden upon, immediately strikes with the spines that form its