

About Members.

Though late, we none the less sincerely congratulate our honored Patron, Sir George Murray, on his attainment to the distinguished position of Chief Justice and Lieutenant Governor of South Australia, also on the recently conferred honor of Knighthood.

We have to congratulate our only Hon. Member, Mr. G. M. Mathews, of England, and of world wide ornithological fame, on having attained a seat upon the Council of the British Ornithological Union. This is an honour which testifies to the great ornithological ability of our Hon. Member, and also reflects partly upon Australia in general. Every Australian Ornithologist must feel pleased at knowing we have such an able representative on the Council of the world's first Ornithological Body.

The British Ornithologists' Union recently conferred upon Capt. S. A. White the honour of Distinguished Colonial Ornithologist, an honour that is confined to ten most eminent ornithologists in the British Dominions. This is indeed a fitting tribute in recognition of Capt. White's scientific work for Australian ornithology, and members and bird lovers heartily congratulate our worthy President on this well-deserved honour.

One of our foundation members, Dr. A. M. Morgan, has made a visit to the Cormorant Rookery at Port Broughton of late, and a paper appears in this number upon the subject.

All will be glad to know that one of our members, Dr. Chenery, who came to Adelaide to undergo a severe operation has returned to Wentworth quite restored to health, and we are hoping to have some of his sound ornithological observations in our future numbers.

Our Vice-President, Mr. E. Ashby, in company with his son (Dr. Ashby), left for America last month. Mr. Ashby hopes to confer with American Ornithologists.

Another of our members, Mr. F. E. Parsons, left on business for Yorke Peninsula last month, as this member generally combines some field work with his duties, we may look forward to some bird observations at least.

Our President made an inspection of the Islands in the Coorong for the Association, and reported upon the nesting of swans and pelicans. A short article on this subject

appears in this number. He also made one of his periodical trips along the Great Western Railway to investigate the movement of the imported sparrows towards the west, this work being carried out in an honorary capacity for the Commonwealth Council of Science and Industry.
