

NOVEMBER.

—By J. Sutton.—

Netherby.—Peaceful Doves (*Geopelia placida*) began to call on 8th inst., and a Sordid Wood-Swallow (*Artamus cyanopterus*) was seen on 11th inst. The following appear to have left:—Pallid Cuckoo (31st October), Narrow-billed Bronze Cuckoo (8th inst.), Regent Honey-eater (14th inst.). The only young native birds noted were Magpies and Willie-Wagtails.

Aldgate.—Tawny-crowned Honey-eaters (*Glyciphila melanops*) were nesting, and young were seen of the Scarlet-breasted Robin, Hooded Robin, Red-browed Finch, Blue Wren, and White-shafted Fantail. Two Brown Tit-Warblers (*Acanthiza pusilla*) were seen (28th October) feeding a young Cuckoo no larger than themselves. The Cuckoo was a fawn colour, no bronze at all, but with the barred feathers under the tail.

Belair—National Park.—Noted on 1st inst., for the first time this season, Black-capped Sittellas (*Neositta pileata*) and the Caterpillar-eater (*Campephaga tricolor*), young birds of the Magpie, White-bearded Honey-eater, Striated Tit-Warbler (*A. lineata*), Pardalote (*P. striatus*), and in two instances I saw Blue Wrens (*Malurus cyaneus*) feeding a young Bronze

Cuckoo. The latter in each case was a fawn colour, with light bronze marking showing on wings only, and was about four times larger than the foster parents.

Kinchina.—The Red-flowering Gum trees (*E. leucocylon*) are in flower in the creek bed, consequently the Honey-eaters are in numbers, viz., Spiny-cheeked (*Acanthagenys rufogularis*), Purple-gaped (*Meliphaga cravittia*), White-fronted (*Glyciphila albifrons*), Striped (*Plectorhyncha lanceolata*), Brown-headed (*Melithreptus brevirostris*), White-eared (*Meliphaga leucotis*), Yellow-plumed (*Meliphaga ornata*), Tawny-crowned (*Glyciphila melanops*), and Singing (*Meliphaga virescens*). Young birds of the following species were seen:—Red-capped Robins (*Petroica goodenovii*), Hooded Robin (*Melanodryas cucullata*), Willie-Wagtail (*Rhipidura leucophrys*), Singing Honey-eater (*Meliphaga virescens*), White-browed Babbler (*Pomatostomus superciliosus*), Sordid Wood-Swallow (*Artamus cyanopterus*), Purple-backed Wren (*Malurus assimilis*), Fairy Martins (*Hylochelidon ariel*), Brown-headed Honey-eaters (*Melithreptus brevirostris*), Yellow-tailed Tit-Warbler (*Acanthiza chrysorrhoa*), Brown Fly-catcher (*Microica fascinans*), and Butcher-Birds (*Craicticus torquatus*). The latest arrivals at Kinchina are Rainbow-Birds (*Merops ornatus*), Black-capped Sittellas (*Neositta pileata*), Budgerygars (*Melopsittacus undulatus*), and a Short-billed Crow (*Corvus bennetti*). Two Wattle-Birds (*Anthochaera carunculata*) were seen feeding a young Pallid Cuckoo (*Cuculus pallidus*) almost as big as themselves. Two Chestnut-tailed Tit-Warblers (*Acanthiza uropygialis*) were feeding a young Narrow-billed Bronze Cuckoo (*Chalcites basalis*), which was about twice the size of its foster parents.