- 527. 1 Terekia-cinerea?
- 610. 1 Hydrochelidon fluviatilis. (40) Query young.
- 531a. 1 Totanus. (30) Query.
- 521. 1 *Limosa*. (31) New sp.
 - 1 Charadrius Geoffroyi. (16)

July, 1875.—2 Amytis, (36) n.sp.? allied to A. texilis but with white throat, fainter colour and smaller; 1 Cinclosoma, (39) n.sp.? smaller than C. cinnamomeum being lighter coloured and varying in markings than any specimens &c.; 1 Ptilotis, (37) sp.? may prove a variety of catitia (41); 1 Melithreptus, (35) n.sp.. and one of the finest &c. of the tribe.

Correspondence.

Warrnambool, Victoria, 5/9/1929.

The Editors,

"The South Australian Ornithologist."

Dear Sirs,

In the "S.A. Ornithologist" of January, 1929, Mr. Edwin Ashby mentions an unusual call uttered by the Chestnut Quail-Thrush (Cinclosoma castanotum). He asks if other observers have heard this call.

Early in October, 1923, I was at Turriff West, in the Victorian mallee. One fine, sunny morning, I heard a strange bird-song which I attributed, at first, to a Thornbill. This call was, however, louder, and there was not so much variety in the notes. I was very surprised to find that the unknown singer was a Chestnut Quail-Thrush.

I have spent much time observing this species both at Turriff, Victoria, and at Denial Bay, South Australia, but this was the only occasion on which I have heard such a call. This Quail-Thrush was the only specimen of its race that I have ever seen perched; what is more, it showed no trace of its usual shyness.

⁽⁴⁰⁾ Chlidonias leucopareia, Whiskered (Marsh) Tern.

⁽⁴¹⁾ Meliphaga cratitia, Purple-gaped Honeyeater (refers to 37).

In this, the Quail-Thrush seems to resemble the Southern Scrub-Robin (*Drymodes brunneopygia*), which, when singing at its best, perches in a mallee and allows the observer to approach closer than at any other time.

This observation on Cinclosoma castanotum appeared in some notes on Mallee Birds in "The Emu" of October, 1927.

I am, etc.,

CHARLES SULLIVAN.

[Mr. J. Neil McGilp stated that he has often seen the Cinnamon Quail-Thrush (Cinclosoma cinnamomeum) on a low bush singing loudly—the song being like that of the Red-tailed Thornbill (Acanthiza hamiltoni).—Editors.]