

Birds Noted on the Northern Part of Yorke's Peninsula.

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In May, 1928, during a visit organized by the Board for Anthropological Research of the University of Adelaide to examine the aboriginals at the Point Pearce Mission Station, near the western shore of Yorke's Peninsula, a few notes were made on the species of birds seen whilst travelling by motor. The weather was fine, but cold, very frosty on one morning. *Myzantha flavigula* was seen at Point Pearce, and Silver Gulls, Singing Honeyeaters, and Spiny-cheeked Honeyeaters at Maitland. The following are the individual journeys:—

(1) Twenty-four miles north of Maitland to Maitland, morning, 19th May.

(2) Maitland to Point Pearce (distance, 14 miles), afternoon, 19th May.

(3) Point Pearce, via Maitland, Price, and Clinton, to Port Wakefield (distance, 55 miles), afternoon, 20th May.

(4) Port Wakefield to 24 miles south on Adelaide road, late afternoon, 20th May.

The following are the individual counts, arranged in order of the journeys:—

- Ocyphaps lophotes*, (3) 1; total, 1.
Larus novae-hollandiae, 4, 54, 17, 2; total, 77.
Falco cenchroides, (1) 2, (3) 3; total, 5.
Large Hawk, (3) 1; total, 1.
Psephotus haematonotus, (4) 18; total, 18.
Hirundo neoxena, (1) 9, (4) 8; total, 17.
Rhipidura leucophrys, 5, 1, 7, 8; total, 21.
Microeca fascians, (1) 2, (4) 1; total, 3.
Grallina cyanoleuca, (3) 2; total, 2.
Oreoica gutturalis, (1) 1; total, 1.
Coracina novae-hollandiae, (1) 2; total, 2.
Pomatostomus superciliosus, (1) 1; total, 1.
Epthamira albifrons, (3) 5; total, 5.
Acanthiza (Geobasileus) sp., (4) 4; total, 4.

Artamus cyanopterus, (4) 5; total, 5.
Meliphaga virescens, (2) 1, (3) 10, (4) 4; total, 15.
Meliphaga sp., (3) 2, (4) 1; total, 3.
Myzantha sp., (3) 2; total, 2.
Anthochaëra or *Acanthagenys*, (1) 2; total, 2.
Acanthagenys rufogularis, (2) 1, (3) 4, (4) 1; total, 6.
Anthus australis, (2) 3; total, 3.
 Crows, 2, 2, 5, 2; total, 11.
Cracticus torquatus, (2) 1; total, 1.
Gymnorhina hypoleuca, 81, 16, 84, 46; total, 227.
 Sparrows, 0, 1, 10, 211; total, 222.
 Starlings, 0, 2, 48, 198; total, 248.
 Unidentified, 1, 0, 10, 5; total, 16.

Total distance, 117 miles. Species of native birds, 23; individuals, 449. Two species of introduced birds and 470 individuals.
