

FLAME ROBIN (*PETROICA PHOENICEA*).

Birds of this species have arrived from the east for the winter.

Mr. W. J. Harvey, Coombe, reports having seen a female at Coombe on 3rd April, 1930.

Mr. J. W. Mellor noted the first Flame Robins of the season at Melior Park, Lockleys, on 18th April. They were flying about the paddock, settling on the fences and on the heaps of horse-manure, and catching flies from time to time. Under date of 30th May he further reports that they had been about all the month (May), and are quite tame. They fly about the tomato glass-houses in search of flies, etc.

Mr. F. E. Parsons, during a motor journey from Adelaide to Robe on 5th May, saw six Flame Robins between Langhorne's Creek and Meningie, 14 between Meningie and Salt Creek, 22 between Salt Creek and Kingston. On 6th May, 25 between Robe and "Konetta" (27 miles). On the return journey, on 9th May, he saw just as many Flame Robins.

Dr. A. M. Morgan saw about 20 of this species on 18th May at a place five miles south of Williamstown. They were on a bare hillside which had many gumtree-stumps. There were five males, the remainder being dull-coloured. A dead male was picked up.

Mr. J. Rau saw nine, two of them males, on the morning of 21st May, and two pairs on 24th May, on the South Park Lands, Adelaide.

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