

*PEARCE—Trap-door Spider.***Trap-door Spider and White-fronted Chat.**

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Whilst one of the men employed here (Happy Valley Reservoir) was driving across the Reserve he saw a White-fronted Chat (*Epthianura albifrons*) on the ground fluttering its wings. Thinking that the Chat was caught in the grass he got down to investigate, and to his surprise he found that a trap-door spider had both the bird's legs down its shaft. The spider had such a grip of the legs that the man had to dig up the burrow before the spider would release its hold. When released the Chat flew away apparently unhurt.

(Dr. R. H. Pülleine identified the spider as *Aganippe subtristis*, the second commonest trap-door spider in South Australia).
