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The South Australian Ornithological Association.

MONTHLY MEETINGS.

—August, 1932.—

The monthly meeting was held at the Royal Society's Rooms on Friday evening, 26th August, 1932, at 8 p.m. Dr. A. M. Morgan was in the chair.

New Members.—Mr. A. F. Austin was duly elected as a member. Mrs. Ronald Robertson, of Ruthven Station, Isisford, C.Q., was nominated as a member.

Death of Member.—Regret was expressed by members at the death of Mr. R. E. P. Osborne on 24th August, 1932. He had been a member since 1910. A message of sympathy was sent to Mrs. Osborne and family.

Rent of Royal Society's Rooms.—A letter dated 16th August, 1932, was received from the Hon. Secretary of the Royal Society of South Australia (Inc.), intimating, *inter alia*, that the rent payable for the use of the Rooms is in future to be 30s. per annum, from 1st October to 30th September. (The old rate was 21s. per annum).

Bird Notes were supplied by Mrs. R. Robertson, Messrs. C. Cain, L. R. Reese, J. Sutton, and Dr. A. M. Morgan.

Subject.—The subject for the evening was the genus *Cin-closoma*, Quail-thrushes. Dr. A. M. Morgan was in charge, and specimens were exhibited from the collections of the S.A. Museum and Mr. F. E. Parsons.

—September, 1932.—

The monthly meeting was held at the usual place and time on Friday, 30th September, 1932. The President, Mr. Alfred Crompton, was in the chair.

New Member.—Mrs. Ronald Robertson, duly nominated at the last monthly meeting, was elected as a member.

Sanctuary on Coorong Islands.—As some of the members were shortly visiting Salt Creek, a motion was carried that the Association direct them to make an inspection of the islands in the Coorong near Salt Creek, covered by Licence 662, and report thereon to the Association.

Egg Collection.*—It was proposed and carried that the Egg Collection belonging to the Association be handed over to the South Australian Museum on condition that they pay £20 for the cabinet.

Subject.—The subject for the evening was the genus *Meliphreptus* (some of the Honeyeaters) found in Australia. Dr. A. M. Morgan was in charge, and he exhibited specimens from the collection of the S.A. Museum.

—October, 1932.—

The monthly meeting was held at the usual place and time on Friday, 28th October, 1932. The President was in the chair.

Egg Collection.—The following letter was received from the General Secretary of the Public Library, Museum, and Art Gallery of South Australia, dated 10th October, 1932:—"The Museum Committee, at the meeting on 4th October, received your letter of 3rd October conveying the offer of the S.A. Ornithologists' Association to present to the South Australian Museum the Association's collection of Australian Birds' Eggs, conditionally on the cabinet being purchased for £20. In reply I have pleasure in conveying cordial thanks to the Association for its offer, and to say that the Museum Committee will be pleased to accept the collection and to pay the Association £20 for the cabinet. The Museum Director reported to the Committee that the collection is complete with full data and labels, and that a catalogue accompanies it, and the members very much appreciate the

* This Collection consisted of 744 clutches of Australian Birds' Eggs, which had been presented to the Association by the following:—Dr. A. M. Morgan (405), Mrs. W. T. Angove, the collection of her late husband, Dr. W. T. Angove (278), Mr. Henry L. White (49), and Professor F. Wood Jones (12). It was housed in a cabinet constructed of huon pine, which originally cost the Association £34 18s. 6d.

Our member, Mr. J. Neil McGilp, presented his fine collection of eggs to the South Australian Museum in February, 1931. The clutches therein now total 1,241.

These donations of well-authenticated eggs to the South Australian Museum will make its collection of Australian Birds' Eggs one of the finest in Australia.—Editors.

SUTTON—Birds of Salt Creek and the Coorong.

co-operation of your Association in building up the State Museum Collection."

Birds Notes were supplied by Mrs. R. Robertson, Professor J. B. Cleland, Dr. A. M. Morgan, Messrs. James T. Gray, W. J. Harvey, F. E. Parsons, N. Hiles Pearse, F. B. Shoobridge, and S. E. Terrill. Mr. Simon Harvey sent details of his successful breeding of the rare Scarlet-chested Parrot (*Neophema splendida*). He has reared 19 young from 3 pairs this year.

Subject.—Dr. A. M. Morgan described the visit of inspection of the islands in the Coorong during the month. Four are in the main sanctuary between the Needles and Stony Well, twelve are between Wood's Well and Salt Creek—eleven of these are included in this Association's Licence No. 662, and one is under Licence 628.

—November, 1932.—

The monthly meeting was held at the usual place and time on Friday, 25th November, 1932. The President was in the chair.

Grenadier Weaver (*Pyromelana orix*).—Dr. A. M. Morgan reported that this introduced Finch had evidently escaped from captivity, and had been reported from two localities, Wood's Point and near Paradise. As it will most probably become a pest it was decided to advise the Fisheries and Game Department, Adelaide, and the Commonwealth Council of Scientific and Industrial Research, 314 Albert Street, East Melbourne, Victoria.

Subject.—Mr. Edwin Ashby then gave an address on some species of birds of south-east Queensland, and exhibited some specimens from his collection.
