

Bird Notes.

Notes from Minnie Downs Station, S.A.

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"I have not been to Goyder's Lagoon, Diamantina River, but I have heard that the Pelicans (*Pelecanus conspicillatus*) are nesting there, and with them in the lignum will be the Royal Spoonbill (*Platalea regia*) and the Yellow-billed Spoonbill (*P. flavipes*). I hope I am not too late to see them. Re the Pallid Cuckoo (*Cuculus pallidus*) I do not know enough to say that it remains here all the year round, but I think it does. From now on I will take notes every month, and if I do not see it myself I will inquire about it. . . . I wonder what fools let the cats loose. They have taken possession of all kinds of nests large enough for them to rest in, principally those of Crows and Magpies. They are not likely to forage for rabbits until they have cleaned out the birds in the district. I do not wish to infer that they do not eat rabbits, but they would capture a dozen birds for every rabbit they killed.
