

*Bird Notes.*Golden Bronze Cuckoo (*Lamprolaima placosus*).

By W. H. Langham. 20/9/1933.

I live at 95 Napier Terrace, Hawthorn, overlooking the trees of Unley Park. On the 13th instant I was awakened by a pleasing and regular whistle, as of someone quietly whistling up a dog. This would have been between 6 and 7 o'clock. The call was clearly from a bird, which, when I arose, I tried to locate. Eventually, at about 8.30, I discovered it perched on a tall wireless pole in the garden of Mr. L. T. Parsons, abutting Kent Street. There it whistled and whistled and whistled, with sometimes the merest trill on the final note. Our dog, a little fox-terrier, was with me, and was as mystified as I was pleased. I am satisfied that it was a new bird in our vicinity. With a pair of opera glasses I tried to get a better view of it, but was not very successful. Finally, it gave a kind of dive from its perch into the grounds of St. Columbas's Church. That was the last I saw and heard of it, which I regret, as there was a fascination in its note, which no end of repetition would have staled. (Evidently the Golden Bronze Cuckoo. A species usually to be found in the Mount Lofty Ranges, but this season, for the first time in 15 years, a bird has been seen and heard in the Netherby district. Mitcham 25th, 27th September; 3rd, 6th, 7th, 13th, 16th October.—J. S.)