

Food of Birds.

Pied Cormorant (*Phalacrocorax varius*).—In the stomach of a bird of this species obtained by Dr. J. M. Bonnin at Port Vincent, Yorke Peninsula, on 7th January, 1938, Mr. H. M. Hale found forty-two Pipefish, consisting of the Brush-tailed (*Leptoichthys fistularius*) and Spotted (*Stigmatopora argus*).

Australian Goshawk (*Astur fasciatus*).—In a specimen, a female, shot at Port Augusta on 23rd October, 1937, Mr. Walter Cain felt something hard in the throat of the bird, and, on squeezing that part, about five inches of the head portion of a snake was extruded, evidently denoting that this species sometimes eats snakes tail first. Mr. Cain added that he thought he knew all about smells from blowing addled eggs, but the odour from a rotting snake was easily the worst he had met with. The bill of the Goshawk was black with a fine smear of yellow on both upper and lower mandibles at their intersection.
