

## A Trip from Berri to Mildura.

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On 5th March, 1938, a journey was made by motor-car from Berri to Mildura, a distance of about 117 miles. The weather was calm and warm. The trip has been divided into three sections. The first from Berri to Renmark (13 miles); the second from Renmark to the Victorian Border (14 miles); and the third from the Border to Mildura (90 miles); the last section is mostly through scrub, both mallee and black oak, and is fairly open in some places. Excepting at towns, only one stop was made, and all the observations were made whilst travelling. The following is a list of the birds seen on the trip:—

	Sections	1	2	3*
* <i>Dromaius novae-hollandiae</i> , Emu	.....	0	0	1
<i>Ocyphaps lophotes</i> , Crested Pigeon	.....	10	6	11
<i>Uroaetus audax</i> , Wedge-tailed Eagle	.....	0	0	1
<i>Hieraetus morphnoides</i> , Little Eagle	.....	0	0	1
<i>Haliastur spheurnus</i> , Whistling Eagle	.....	0	1	2
<i>Falco subniger</i> , Black Falcon	.....	0	0	1
“ <i>cenchroides</i> , Nankeen Kestrel	.....	0	3	3
<i>Kakatoe leadbeateri</i> , Major Mitchell	.....	2	0	12
“ <i>roseicapilla</i> , Galah	.....	2	13	17
† <i>Polytelis anthopeplus</i> , Rock Pebbler	.....	0	0	37
<i>Barnardius barnardi</i> , Ringneck Parrot	.....	0	1	40
<i>Psephotus haematonotus</i> , Red-backed Parrot	.....	0	0	10
“ <i>varius</i> , Mulga-Parrot	.....	3	17	25
Unidentified Parrots	.....	0	0	33
<i>Dacelo gigas</i> , Laughing Kookaburra	.....	2	0	0
<i>Hirundo neoxena</i> , Welcome Swallow	.....	2	0	1
<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i> , Willie Wagtail	.....	0	2	3
<i>Grallina cyanoleuca</i> , Magpie-Lark	.....	1	6	9
<i>Coracina novae-hollandiae</i> , Black-faced Cuckoo-Shrike	.....	0	0	1
<i>Pomatostomus</i> sp.	.....	5	0	6
<i>Aphelocephala leucopsis</i> , Eastern Whiteface	.....	0	0	1
<i>Acanthiza chrysorrhoa</i> , Yellow-tailed Thornbill	.....	0	0	17
<i>Artamus melanops</i> , Black-faced Wood-Swallow	.....	0	0	9
<i>Climacteris</i> sp., Tree-creeper	.....	0	0	1

\* The Emu was seen dead on the road 30 odd miles from Mildura.

† The Rock Pebbliers were seen from 5 miles to 10 miles over the Border. They are truly beautiful birds.

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<i>Meliphaga virescens</i> , Singing Honeyeater	.....	0	0	2
<i>Myzantha</i> sp. ( <i>melanocephala</i> ?)	.....	1	2	19
<i>Acanthagenys rufogularis</i> , Spiny-cheeked Honeyeater	.....	4	0	0
<i>Anthus australis</i> , Pipit	.....	0	0	4
<i>Taeniopygia castanotis</i> , Zebra Finch	.....	6	0	0
<i>Corvus</i> sp.	.....	17	27	60
<i>Corcorax melanorhamphus</i> , White-winged Chough	.....	0	0	41
<i>Cracticus torquatus</i> , Grey Butcher-Bird	.....	0	0	1
<i>Gymnorhina tibicen</i> , Black-backed Magpie	.....	2	1	48
“ <i>hypoleuca</i> , White-backed Magpie	.....	7	12	12
<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i> , Starling	.....	5	13	200

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