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I am glad to see that the Galahs (*Cacatua roseicapilla*) are quite at home in the^oback paddock, amongst the large Redgums and Bluegums. They feed on the seeds of the variegated Scotch Thistle. I think these weeds grow very thickly hereabouts, and the seed is plentiful on the ground. These seeds are eaten largely by a mob of tame Pigeons that frequent the locality. Numbers of Red Wattle-Birds (*Anthochaera carunculata*) have been about all the month, and seem to feed to a large extent on insect food, which they catch in the air while on the wing. On 29th February I noted the Tawny Frogmouth (*Podargus strigoides*) on the front lawn in the evening, apparently after moths and insects.