

Bird Notes.

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Birds noted at Mount Gambier, 28th May, 1925.—*Dacelo gigas*, *Hirundo neoxena*, *Petroica phoenicea*, *Calamanthus fuliginosus* (singing merrily in the bracken-fern on the slopes of the Mount itself and in the bracken between Mount Gambier and Mount Schank and around the latter), *Epthianura albifrons*, *Sericornis* (probably *S. frontalis*), *Malurus cyaneus*, *Grallina cyanoleuca*, *Zosterops lateralis*, *Meliornis novae-hollandiae*, *Anthus australis*, *Zonaeginthus guttatus*, *Gymnorhina hypoleuca*.

Birds noted at Port MacDonnell, S.E., 29th May, 1925.—*Larus novae-hollandiae*, *Charadrius bicinctus*, *C. ruficapillus*, *C. cucullatus*, *Platycercus elegans* (deep crimson), *Psephotus haematotus*, *Petroica phoenicea*, *Colluricincla harmonica*, *Calamanthus fuliginosus* (abundant in low bushes and shrubs, singing heartily and allowing me to get quite close, coming even

into the township itself—♂, iris light brown, bill brown above and paler below, pharynx greyish flesh, legs brownish flesh; total length $5\frac{1}{4}$ inches, span of outspread wings $7\frac{1}{2}$ inches, no ectozoa, no entozoa), *Epthianura albifrons*, *Acanthiza pusilla* (sex?, iris reddish-brown, bill nearly black, paler below, pharynx blackish, legs dark brown, total length $3\frac{3}{4}$ inches, span of outspread wings $5\frac{7}{8}$ inches, no ectozoa), *Geobasileus chrysorrhoea*, *Acanthorhynchus tenuirostris*, *Meliphaga virescens*, *Meliornis novae-hollandiae*, *Anthus australis*, *Zonaeginthus bellus*, *Cracticus torquatus*, *Gymnorhina leuconota*.

Various Notes.—First Blackbird heard singing at Morialta on 23rd May, 1925. A large Cuckoo (probably *Cuculus pallidus*) seen at Beaumont on 24th May. *Hirundo neoxena*, singing its subdued canary-like mating song, at Fullarton on 14th June; two of them singing on 20th June. Two *Falcunculus frontatus* in Gumtrees at Fullarton on same date. Two *Seisura inquieta* visited us at Fullarton on 21st June—they ducked when Greenies (*Meliphaga penicillata*) made dashes at them; one of them was seen again on 20th July. Dusky Wood-Swallows seen stationary in the grounds of the Parkside Mental Hospital—noted there frequently, the last date being 25th July; also seen in the grounds of the Adelaide Children's Hospital a week earlier. *Epthianura albifrons* seen near the grounds of the Parkside Mental Hospital in July. *Acanthorhynchus tenuirostris* was seen in the grounds of the Adelaide Hospital early in the year. *Dicaeum hirundinaceum* was noticed in a hedge at Fullarton on 7th June. *Sericornis frontalis* was seen on 25th July in the gully just south of the Greenhill Road.