

a great lack of co-operation. They repeatedly swooped from opposite directions at the same time, getting in each other's way. About a week previously I had seen a Grey Butcher-Bird (*Cracticus torquatus*) catch a bat in mid-air, drop it after a short scuffle, and apparently take no further interest in it.

20/5/29.—A Goshawk (*A. fasciatus*) was flushed from a gully, where a young rabbit was found, half-dead and bleeding freely from wounds in the head. On one occasion I saw a Brown Hawk (*Falco berigora*) trying desperately to get the better of a half-grown rabbit. It was standing on a small log with one foot, and with the other was hanging on to the back of the kicking, squealing rabbit, which eventually got away. These Hawks often sit about on logs near rabbit burrows, so probably they destroy a good many "kittens."—E. L. HYEM, Barrington, N.S.W.

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Mr. J. A. Ross, R.A.O.U., has received word from Mr. Justice Charles F. Belcher, R.A.O.U., that His Honour has recently been appointed to the position of Chief Justice of Trinidad and Tobago, an appointment that carries with it the presidency of the Court of Appeal for the West Indies. Our member is to be congratulated on the appointment. It is characteristic of His Honour that he indicates immediately his interest in the avifauna of the lands to which he is proceeding, commenting in his letter on several matters of ornithological interest there.

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Appreciation of the good work successfully carried out by our member, Hugh Leach, is indicated in the naming after him of a bird fountain recently erected in Castlemaine by the Castlemaine Bird Club. Mr. Leach's enthusiasm and zeal were responsible for the formation of the Club, and its members are now taking advantage of an opportunity of indicating a well-merited recognition.

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The specimens figured in the coloured plate in the January number (Vol. XXX, part 3) were as follows:—Pearly Flycatcher (*Monarcha canescens*), male, No. O. 17114, Gordon's Camp, Queensland. Collected J.B.B., October 18, 1884 ("Dobroyde Collection"). White-eared Flycatcher (*Carterornis leucotis*), male, No. O. 17108, Cairns, Northern Queensland ("Dobroyde Collection").