

Lionel C. E. Gee, warden of goldfields at Tanami, in the Northern Territory, who says :—‘I came across a very interesting collector, a bird-catcher by business, and whose partner is now in England with a consignment of birds. . . . I had a long conversation with him about the birds in this remote part of the world. He kindly made out for me the enclosed list of the birds he had noticed as occurring in this district, and I send it to you, as I am sure your friends of the ornithological society will be interested in it.’

“I think many of the readers of *The Emu* will be glad to see this list, which I send on to you for publication. On it you will see is a note* by Mr. Gee, who takes a great interest in birds, and has had opportunities of observing them in many distant parts of South Australia and in the Northern Territory. When at Arltunga, in the M'Donnell Ranges, he obtained, with great trouble, some living specimens of the Alexandra Parrakeet, which he brought to Adelaide and kept until shortly before his departure for Tanami.”

Dromæus novæ-hollandiæ
Synæcus australis
Turnix velox
Geopelia cuneata
Ægialitis melanops
Ochthrodromus veredus
Eupodotis australis
Malacorhynchus membranaceus
Circus assimilis
Uroæetus audax
Milvus affinis
Falco lunulatus
Hieracidea berigora
Cerchneis cenchroides
Cacatua leadbeateri *
Calopsittacus novæ-hollandiæ
Melopsittacus undulatus
Ægotheles novæ-hollandiæ
Halcyon pyrrhopygius
Eurostopus argus
Cuculus inornatus
Chalcococcyx (sp. ?)
Petrochelidon ariel
Micræca pallida
Petræca picata
Smicrornis flavescens
Rhipidura tricolor
Coracina robusta
Lalage tricolor

Pomatostomus superciliosus
Cinclorhamphus cruralis
Ephthianura tricolor
Acanthiza (sp. ?)
Malurus cruentatus
M. cyanotus
M. assimilis
Amytornis striatus (?)
Artamus personatus
A. minor
A. cinereus
Collyriocichla brunnea
Grallina picata
Cracticus picatus
Pachycephala falcata
Aphelocephala nigricincta
Sphenostoma cristatum
Neositta leucoptera
Dicæum hirundinaceum
Pardalotus rubricatus
Melithreptus lætior
Myzomela nigra
Ptilotis hearlandi
Mirafra secunda
Emblema picta
Tæniopygia castanotis
Corvus coronoides
Oreoica cristata
Certhionyx leucomelas

OBITUARY.—At the Adelaide session of the A.O.U., Mr George R. Marriner, F.R.M.S., Curator Public Museum, Wan-

* The salmon colour pervades this bird all over very strongly, and I think it is a different variety to that seen in the south.—L. C. E. G.

ganui, N.Z., was elected a member of the Council to represent New Zealand. Unfortunately, Mr. Marriner has since died. He was apparently a strong and healthy young man, with every prospect of a long and useful career. He was confined to his bed for a month, and during that period had three operations for appendicitis and other troubles, and ultimately succumbed on 25th February to septic poisoning. The loss of one so young and strong has been a great sorrow to his relations, to whom the Council, on behalf of the members of the A.O.U., desires to offer its sincere condolence. A recent work of Mr. Marriner, "The Kea : a New Zealand Problem," was favourably noticed in *The Emu* (*vide* vol. viii., pp. 229-231).

FROM THE MINUTES OF THE B.O.C., 15/12/09:—

Mr. G. M. MATHEWS remarked that the two following names should be added to his work "Handlist to the Birds of Australasia," 1908 :—

On p. 11 add :

LOPHOPHAPS LEUCOGASTER, Gould.

On comparing the white-breasted *Lophophaps* from Central Australia with examples from other parts of Australia, it will be found that the former have a much larger bill and thicker tarsi.

On p. 76 add :

ACANTHIZA AUSTRALIS, North.

Mr. North, in his book "Nest and Eggs of the Birds found breeding in Australia and Tasmania," pointed out the differences between this bird and *A. reguloides*, Vig. & Horsf., from New South Wales. Skins in Mr. Mathews' collection, proved that the characters pointed out by Mr. North were reliable.

Mr. MATHEWS added that on p. 5 the following alteration should be made:—*Dromæus peroni*, Roths., must stand as *D. parvulus*, Gould [Penny Cyclop., xxiii., p. 145 (1842)].

Mr. MATHEWS also described and exhibited an example of a new sub-species of Grass-Wren, which he proposed to call

AMYTORNIS WHITEI, sub-sp. n.

Differs from *A. striatus*, Gould, in being larger in all its measurements, the bill being especially large. It is also redder on the back and underparts.

Hab.—Coongan R., North-western Australia. This form is named in honour of Mr. H. L. White.—*Bulletin B.O.C.*, No. clvi.

FROM THE MINUTES OF THE B.O.C., 16/3/10:—

DR. E. HARTERT exhibited examples of a new form of *Acanthiza*, and made the following remarks :—