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The White-headed Petrel: New South Wales Records.—

The finding, by Mr. Tom Iredale, of the partly-decomposed body of a White-headed Petrel (*Pterodroma lessonii*) on Manly Beach, near Sydney, on May 21, 1955, brings the known occurrences of the species in New South Wales to six. Four of the records are for beach-washed derelicts and two for birds blown inland during storms. For convenience of reference all are listed below—

- 1879 'Richmond River. Blown inland during the storm of June 23-24, 1879'. Specimen female, in the Macleay Museum, Sydney University.
- 1914 Bondi Beach, near Sydney, October 21, 1914, Specimen no. 0.527985, female, in the American Museum of Natural History, New York, *ex* Mathews collection. Type of *australis* Mathews (*Austral Avian Record*, vol. 3. no. 3, 1916, p. 54.)
- 1922 Bondi Beach, January 1, 1922. Specimen no. 0.27143, female, in the Australian Museum, Sydney.
- 1950 Thirroul, April 7, 1950 (*The Emu*, vol. 53, 1953, p. 253).
- 1950 Dorrigo, June 25, 1950. Specimen no. 0.38727, female, in the Australian Museum, Sydney (*The Emu*, vol. 51, 1951, p. 170).
- 1955 Manly Beach, May 21, 1955. Decomposed body recovered by Tom Iredale.

The White-headed Petrel breeds on islands in the Subantarctic Zone.—K. A. HINDWOOD, Sydney, N.S.W., 27/7/55.