

Plain-Wanderer.—Mr. Rod Morell, R.A.O.U., recently captured a Plain-Wanderer about seventeen miles from Melbourne, along the Rockbank-Exford road. His dog set it and then placed its foot on the bird, slightly injuring it. The bird lived for a few days in an aviary, but then expired, and a skin made of it is now in the Union's collection. Plain-Wanderers are seldom met with nowadays near Melbourne, although more common on the plains north-west of the city than anywhere else some years ago. In *The Emu*, Vol. XXVI, at pages 59-63, Dr. E. A. D'Ombraïn, R.A.O.U., gives notes on the species, particularly with regard to its distribution. In this State the localities instanced by him are, with one exception in northern Victoria, all west of a line northwards from Melbourne—the true plain country. That being so, it should be interesting to record two examples from eastern portions of Victoria—one, also recorded through Mr. Morell, from Koo-wee-rup, and the other taken at the end of 1932 near Morwell, and also now in the Union's collection. The last-mentioned locality is approximately ninety miles east of Melbourne, and is not characterized by any of the features of the usual habitat of *Pedionomus torquatus*.—C. E. BRYANT, R.A.O.U., Melbourne, Vic., 30/5/33.