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Early Adelaide Notes.—Looking through the Journal of Lieutenant Young Bingham Hutchinson, who arrived in South Australia in the Buffalo on December 28, 1836, I notice the following entries: March 9, 1837—Shot three cockatoos; Mar. 10—Shot nine cockatoos—6 at one shot!: Mar. 14—Shot 2 Black cockatoos, and a white one; Mar. 18—Shot 5 cockatoos and a bronze pigeon; April, Sunday 23—Walked to the top of Mount Lofty in three hours! Lighted a fire, and made a great smoke with green branches. Shot the first black cockatoo with red feathers in the tail. Saw four mushrooms, and ate two of them—saw the first snail.

Evidently observations were made inside a triangle formed by Glenelg, Mt. Lofty and Port Adelaide.—J. D. SOMER-

VILLE, King's Park, S.A., 7/1/41.

Crested Pigeons in the East.—During November, 1939, I was informed that a flock of Crested Pigeons (Ocyphaps lophotes) had appeared on a farm at Shannon Brook, about eight miles south-west of Casino. The birds were protected by the owners of that and the adjoining farm. They became quite tame and would pick up grain when the fowls were being fed. Upon visiting the locality, about four months later, I saw several of the birds in some trees on the creek bank, only a few yards from one of the houses. The birds—about a dozen in all—stayed at the two farms until the beginning of December, 1940. One pair started to build a nest in a river "oak," about fifteen feet from the ground, but did not finish it.

Although they seem to have deserted the locality where they first appeared, they are evidently spreading through the district, for, during a time of excessive heat and drought, my sister and I saw, one evening in November, 1940, a solitary specimen drinking at our horse trough; and a pair nested in an orchard tree quite close to a house on a farm at Clovass, some miles east of Casino, on the road to Lismore.—FLORENCE M. IRBY, Casino, N.S.W., 31/1/41.

Mr. M. S. R. Sharland has accepted the position of State Secretary of the Union for Tasmania.