

rays of the sun played upon the purplish feathers and the beautiful sapphire-blue eyes flashed. The bird kept spreading its tail, drooping its wings, and mimicking all birds common to the district—Lyre-Bird included. Then suddenly it would break into the purring note, and a “green” bird with a strawberry in its bill would join it. Upon the male bird taking the gift the other would fly off. Suddenly several green-plumed birds made their appearance, and one, settling close to me, gave a warning note, when they all disappeared in the scrub.

Satin Bower-Birds are very fond of fruit, early morning and evening being their favourite times for raiding orchards. The owner of the orchard mentioned informed me that the birds were a great nuisance, but it was a very rare thing to see a black-plumed bird out feeding in the open with the “green” ones, and that the “green” birds kept carrying fruit into the scrub. Other orchardists have told me the same thing.

I have heard it stated that the male Satin Bower-Bird does not live long after it attains the dark plumage. I have kept a caged bird five years after the change. It then accidentally gained its liberty, and, after staying about the house for a few weeks, disappeared.

List of Birds Observed on Parry's Creek, North-West Australia.

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FROM notes supplied to me by Mr. Rogers I make out the following list, showing the birds' movements during February, March, and April, 1909.

It will be noticed that some of the birds mentioned in my two lists* of the birds of that district for 1908 have left the locality.

The numbers are from my “Handlist.” Those marked thus * are rare.

No.					Feb.	Mar.	Ap.
13	<i>Synœcus cervinus</i>	..	..	..			
15	<i>Turnix maculosa</i>	..	..	..	”	”	”
20	” <i>pyrrhothorax</i>	..	..	..	”	”	”
21	” <i>velox</i>	..	..	..	”	”	”
33	<i>Geopelia humeralis</i>	..	..	..	”	”	”
34	” <i>placida</i>	..	..	..	”	”	”
35	” <i>cuneata</i>	..	..	..	”	”	”
37	<i>Phaps chalcoptera</i>	..	..	..	”	”	”
40	<i>Petrophassa albipennis</i>	..	..	..			1 bird in Ap.
45	<i>Lophophaps plumifera</i>	..	..	..	Feb.	Mar.	Ap.
56	<i>Poliolimnas cinereus</i>	..	..	..	”	”	—
59	<i>Microtribonyx ventralis</i>	..	..	..	”	”	Ap.
62	<i>Porphyrio melanonotus</i>	..	..	..	”	”	—
65	<i>Podicipes novæ-hollandiæ</i>	..	..	..	”	”	”
119	<i>Hydrochelidon hybrida</i>	..	..	..	”	”	”

* *Ante*, in vol. ix., p. 1 and p. 53 respectively.

137	<i>Larus novæ-hollandiæ</i>	..	..	..	Feb.	—	—
146	<i>Erythrogonys cinctus</i>	..	..	..	„	Mar.	Ap.
148	<i>Lobivanellus miles</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
158	<i>Ægialitis melanops</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
161	<i>Himantopus leucocephalus</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
166	<i>Mesoscolopax minutus</i>	..	..	..	„	—	„
168	<i>Limosa melanuroides</i>	..	..	..	„	—	—
173	<i>Tringoides hypoleucus</i>	..	..	..	„	Mar.	—
175	<i>Glottis nebularius</i>	..	..	..	„	„	Ap.
176	<i>Rhyacophilus glareola</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
179	<i>Pisobia ruficollis</i>	..	..	..	„	„	—
181	<i>Heteropygia aurita</i>	..	..	..	„	„	Ap.
185	<i>Gallinago australis</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
187	<i>Hydrallector gallinaceous</i>	..	..	..	„	„	—
188	<i>Stiltia isabella</i>	..	..	..	„	„	Ap.
189	<i>Glareola orientalis</i>	..	..	..	„	„	Ap.
190	<i>Burhinus grallarius</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
192	<i>Eupodotis australis</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
193	<i>Antigone australasiana</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
194	<i>Ibis molucca</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
195	<i>Carphibis spinicollis</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
196	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
197	<i>Platalea regia</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
198	<i>Platibis flavipes</i>	..	..	..	„	„	—
199	<i>Xenorhynchus asiaticus</i>	..	..	..	„	„	Ap.
202	<i>Mesophoyx plumifera</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
203	<i>Herodias timoriensis</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
204	<i>Notophoyx novæ-hollandiæ</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
205	„ <i>pacifica</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
206	„ <i>flavirostris</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
210	<i>Nycticorax caledonicus</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
214	<i>Dupetor gouldi</i>	..	..	..	„	—	—
217	<i>Anseranas semipalmata</i>	..	..	..	„	Mar.	Ap.
218	<i>Nettopus pulchellus</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
222	<i>Dendrocygna arcuata</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
223	„ <i>eytoni</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
224	<i>Tadorna rufigerum</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
226	<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
228	<i>Nettium gibberifrons</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
234	<i>Aythya australis</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
238	<i>Phalacrocorax sulcirostris</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
241	„ <i>melanoleucus</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
242	<i>Plotus novæ-hollandiæ</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
252	<i>Pelecanus conspicillatus</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
253	<i>Circus assimilis</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
254	„ <i>gouldi</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
256	<i>Astur novæ-hollandiæ</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
258	„ <i>fasciatus</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
262	<i>Uroaëtus audax</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
265	<i>Haliaëtus leucogaster</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
266	<i>Haliastur girrenera</i>	..	..	..	1 bird in Feb.	„	„
267	„ <i>sphenurus</i>	..	..	..	Feb.	Mar.	Ap.
268	<i>Milvus affinis</i>	..	Rare in Feb.	Common in Mar. and Ap.	„	„	„
271	<i>Elanus axillaris</i>	Only 1	seen in each month	Feb.	Mar.	Ap.	„
277	<i>Falco lunulatus</i>	..	..	..	„*	„	„

278	<i>Hieracidea berigora</i>	..	..	..	Feb.	Mar.	Ap.
279	„ <i>orientalis</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
280	<i>Cerchneis cenchroides</i>	..	..	..	—	„	„
285	<i>Ninox ocellata</i>	..	..	..	Feb.	„	—
289	„ <i>occidentalis</i>	..	..	..	„	„	Ap.
303	<i>Trichoglossus rubritorques</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
306	<i>Ptilosclera versicolor</i>	..	..	..	„	„	—
316	<i>Calyptorhynchus macrorhynchus</i>	..	..	..	„	„	Ap.
320	<i>Cacatua galerita</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
322	„ <i>gymnopis</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
324	„ <i>roseicapilla</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„*
327	<i>Calopsittacus novæ-hollandiæ</i>	..	..	..	—	„*	„*
331A	<i>Ptistes coccineopterus</i>	..	..	..	Feb.	„	„
372	<i>Melopsittacus undulatus</i>	..	..	..	—	„*	„
377	<i>Podargus phalænoides</i>	..	..	..	1 bird in	Ap.	
381	<i>Eurystomus pacificus</i>	..	..	..	Feb.*	Mar.*	„*
383	<i>Alcyone pulchra</i>	..	..	..	—	—	„*
388	<i>Dacelo cervina</i>	..	..	..	Feb.	Mar.	„
390	<i>Halcyon pyrrhopygius</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
391	„ <i>sanctus</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
396	<i>Merops ornatus</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
398	<i>Eurostopus argus</i>	..	..	..	„*	„*	„
403	<i>Cypselus pacificus</i>	..	..	..	—	—	„
404	<i>Cuculus saturatus</i>	..	..	..	Feb.*	Mar.*	„*
405	„ <i>inornatus</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
406	<i>Cacomantis rufulus</i>	..	..	..	„	—	—
409	<i>Mesocalius palliolatus</i>	..	..	..	„	Mar.	—
410	<i>Chalcococcyx basalis</i>	..	..	..	„	„	—
415	<i>Eudynamis cyanocephala</i>	..	..	..	„	„	—
417	<i>Centropus phasianus</i>	..	..	..	„	„	Ap.
432	<i>Petrochelidon ariel</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
434	<i>Microeca assimilis</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
450	<i>Smicrornis flavescens</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
452	<i>Gerygone cinerascens</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
469	<i>Pœcilodryas cerviniventris</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
486	<i>Rhipidura isura</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
487	„ <i>tricolor</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
489	<i>Myiagra concinna</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
494	<i>Sisura nana</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
504	<i>Coracina robusta</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
506	„ <i>hypoleuca</i>	..	..	..	„*	„*	„*
510	<i>Lalage tricolor</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
532	<i>Pomatostomus rubeculus</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
538	<i>Cinclorhynchus cruralis</i>	..	..	..	„*	„*	„*
539	„ <i>rufescens</i>	..	..	..	„*	„*	„*
547	<i>Ephthianura tricolor</i>	..	..	..	—	„*	„*
552	<i>Cisticola exilis</i>	..	..	..	Feb.	„	„
603	<i>Malurus assimilis</i>	..	..	..	„*	„*	„*
608	„ <i>cruentatus</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
624	<i>Artamus leucogaster</i>	..	..	..	„	„	—
629	„ <i>cinereus</i>	..	..	..	„	„	Ap.
635	„ <i>minor</i>	..	..	..	„*	„*	„*
638	<i>Collyriocichla brunnea</i>	..	..	..	„	„	„
646	<i>Grallina picata</i>	..	..	..	„*	„*	„*
655	<i>Cracticus picatus</i>	..	..	..	„*	„*	„*

672	<i>Pachycephala falcata</i>	..	..	..	Feb.	Mar.	Ap.
699	<i>Neositta leucoptera</i>	..	..	..	"	"	"
701	<i>Climacteris melanura</i>	..	..	..	—	—	"*
722	<i>Dicaeum hirundinaceum</i>	..	..	..	Feb.	Mar.	Ap.*
728	<i>Pardalotus rubricatus</i>	..	..	..	"	"	"*
730	" <i>uropygialis</i>	..	..	..	"	"	"*
734	<i>Melithreptus albigularis</i>	..	..	..	"*	"*	"*
738	" <i>lætior</i>	..	..	..	"*	"*	"*
758	<i>Glycyphila fasciata</i>	..	..	..	—	very rare	
762	<i>Conopophila rufigularis</i>	..	..	..	Feb.	Mar.	Ap.
765	<i>Stigmatops ocularis</i>	..	..	..	"	"	"
772	<i>Ptilotis sonora</i>	..	..	..	"	"	"*
788	" <i>flavescens</i>	..	..	..	—	"	"*
795	" <i>unicolor</i>	..	..	..	Feb.	"	"
815	<i>Entomyza albipennis</i>	..	..	..	"	"	"
816	<i>Tropidorhynchus argenteiceps</i>	..	..	..	—	—	"*
819	<i>Philemon citreigularis</i>	..	..	..	Feb.	Mar.	"
822	<i>Anthus australis</i>	..	..	..	—	—	"*
825	<i>Mirafrja milligani</i>	..	..	..	Feb.	Mar.	"
831	<i>Tæniopygia castanotis</i>	..	..	..	"	"	"
833	<i>Stictoptera annulosa</i>	..	..	..	"	"	"
835	<i>Munia flaviprymna</i>	..	..	..	—	—	"*
836	" <i>pectoralis</i>	..	..	..	Feb.*	Mar.*	"
839	<i>Bathilda ruficauda</i>	..	..	..	"*	—	"
841	<i>Poephila acuticauda</i>	..	..	..	"	Mar.	"
844	" <i>personata</i>	..	..	..	"	"	"
846	" <i>gouldiæ</i>	..	..	..	"	"	"
849	<i>Neochmia phaeton</i>	..	..	..	"	"	"
850	<i>Mimeta sagittata</i>	..	..	..	"	1 only	—
851	" <i>flavicinctus</i>	..	..	..	"*	Mar.*	Ap.*
863	<i>Chlamydodera nuchalis</i>	..	..	..	"	"	"
872	<i>Corvus coronoides</i>	..	..	..	"	"	"

Birds about Drouin, Gippsland.

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WEDGE-TAILED EAGLE (*Uroaëtus audax*).—Very rarely noted.

GOSHAWK (*Astur approximans*).—One seen.

BROWN HAWK (*Hieracidea orientalis*).—A single bird.

NANKEEN KESTREL (*Cerchneis cenchroides*).—Common at times, and supposed to breed hereabouts.

HARRIER (*Circus gouldi*).—Annual visitant, and breeds.

BLACK-SHOULDERED KITE (*Elanus axillaris*).—Once some appeared, and were quite new to residents in my vicinage.

BLACK-CHEEKED FALCON (*Falco melanogenys*).—One only.

BOOBOOK OWL (*Ninox bookook*).—Seen, often heard; habitat seems fixed. Call sounds like "Moopoop."

MASKED OWL (*Strix novæ-hollandiæ*).—By Mr. A. J. Campbell's description ("Nests and Eggs," p. 50, No. 39), there seems to be no mistake. It has large facial disc margined with purplish colour, while back outside of wings are richly marbled with tan, grey, and white.



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