

NEW RECORDS OR RECURRENCES OF RARE FISHES  
FROM EASTERN AUSTRALIA.

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(Plate vi.)

The principal species dealt with is *Histiopertus recurvirostris*, Richardson, which is regarded as the type of a new genus, *Prosoplismus*. This species, together with *Thyrsites atun*, Euphrasen, has not previously been recorded from New South Wales. *Cyttus australis*, Richardson, is readmitted as an inhabitant of our waters, a previous record having been overlooked. Additional specimens of *Callanthias platei*, Steindachner, are chronicled, while the identity of *Creedia clathrisquamis*, Ogilby, with *Hemerocetes haswelli*, Ramsay, is made known.

THYRSITES ATUN, *Euphrasen*.

*Scomber atun*, Euphrasen, Vetensk. Acad. Nya. Handl., xii., 1791, p. 315.

Though this southern species is known to occur occasionally off our shores, no definite record appears to have been made. It is not included in the published catalogues of our fauna and I therefore chronicle the following occurrence. By the kind offices of Mr. R. Eastway it became known to me that on 11th August the Amateur Fishermen's Association obtained a Barracouta eight miles off Coogee. On my expressing the desire that the specimen might be obtained for the National Collection, the Association kindly presented it to the Trustees.

CALLANTHIAS PLATEI, *Steindachner*.

*Callanthias platei*, Steindachner, Zool. Jahrb., Supp., iv., 2, 1898, p. 284, pl. xv.

Of this species, first recorded for New South Wales in 1898, additional specimens have been obtained by Mr. J. A. Boyd, who forwarded them from Twofold Bay in September, 1901.

CYTTUS AUSTRALIS, *Richardson*.

*Capros australis*, Richardson, Trans. Zool. Soc., iii., 1849, p. 72; Voy. "Ereb. and Terr.", 1848, p. 137, pl. lix, figs. 1-5.

Considering the extreme rarity of this species in our waters, it is noteworthy that although the description was made from