

ADDITIONS TO THE AVI-FAUNA OF THE COUNTY OF  
CUMBERLAND.

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In the "Proceedings of the Linnean Society of New South Wales" in December, 1888,<sup>1</sup> I recorded "A List of the Birds found in the County of Cumberland, New South Wales." It was a bare list of the species, without comment of any kind. Nearly a decade later in the "Handbook of Sydney and the County of Cumberland, for the use of the Members of the Australian Association for the Advancement of Science," I gave a second list of "The Birds of the County of Cumberland." In this list the species appeared under their respective orders and families, with brief notes as to their haunts, and localities where they could be found in the County. Of those species now added several were included in the first list, but omitted in the second. Two of them now restored *Edolinsoma tenuirostre* and *Munia castaneo-thorax* have since been found breeding, the former, regularly visiting and remaining to breed in the County. By far, however, the greater number of the additions are due to climatic influences, principally caused by periods of excessive drought inland, and to a less extent by coastal gales. Some of the additions are founded on donations made to the Trustees of the Australian Museum. Among the donors, not only of additions to the avi-fauna of the County, but of many rare species, may be especially mentioned, Mr. Henry Newcombe of Randwick. He has also been a frequent contributor to the Museum collections for upwards of a quarter of a century. Several of the species included in the present list, have been previously recorded at the time when they were obtained, either in the "Proceedings of the Linnean Society of New South Wales," or the "Records of the Australian Museum."

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<sup>1</sup> North—Proc. Linn. Soc. N. S. Wales, (2), iii., 1888, p. 1773.

<sup>2</sup> North—Handbk. Austr. Assoc. Adv. Sci., Sydney, 1898, p. 68.