

and expresses willingness to meet Queensland members of the Union on the matter. The R.A.O.U. has replied that "clear supporting evidence" was previously given, it having been shown that one Emu's stomach was found to contain 2,991 injurious caterpillars. The matter is referred to Queensland members, with a suggestion that the request for a proper examination of the food of Emus should be emphasised.

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CORRECTION.—A printer's error in the January *Emu* caused the blocks on Plate 31 to be misplaced. The upper figure is a male **Rose Robin** and the lower figure a female.

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## Expedition to Queensland Islands.

AN excursion of interest to ornithologists is being organized by Mr. E. F. Pollock, R.A.O.U., late Hon. Sec. of the Royal Zoological Society of New South Wales, to some of the islands of the Great Barrier Reef, off the Queensland coast. The expedition will leave Sydney by rail in November next, and join a suitable motor vessel at a port adjacent the islands to be visited. The date has been fixed to coincide with the breeding-time of the sea-birds and turtles which inhabit these coral atolls. It is intended to establish camps, each of about a week's duration, on four different islands in turn, and from these bases to visit other islands in the vicinity, making one day trips. If the weather is favorable—as it generally is at that time of the year—it is expected to explore about a dozen of these islands altogether, on all of which colonies of different kinds of sea-birds congregate and breed.

It will be remembered that Mr. Pollock led an expedition to North West Islet, Capricorn group, in Nov.-Dec., 1925, and he recently returned from Lord Howe Island after conducting a party of naturalists and others to that interesting spot. On each of these occasions several members of the R.A.O.U. were included in the parties, and Mr. Pollock again extends a cordial invitation to any members of the Union who would like to join the forthcoming expedition to get into touch with him early, as plans have to be formulated many months in advance. Several members of the R.A.O.U. have already signified their intention of making the trip.

Further particulars can be obtained by writing to Mr. Pollock, whose address is "Te Whare," Carrington Avenue, Strathfield, N.S.W.