

A. H. Lea and J. T. Gray mis-identified Mellor's specimens as 'Rufous Bristle-bird' and noted that the food included 'seeds of African box-thorn'. The name was corrected in *Emu*, 35, 347. It may be worth recording that there are no plants of African box-thorn (*Lycium ferocissimum*) anywhere in the district.

11. Ref. *Emu*, 57, 346, under 'Greater Knot: New Record for South Australia', by C. Leo. McPherson.

There is the note that—"According to Condon and McGill (*Field Guide to the Waders*) . . . In 1895 a single specimen was obtained from the Gippsland Lakes, Victoria".

This record is based on a note, 'A New Bird for Victoria', by A. J. Campbell, in *Vict. Nat.*, 15, 60, reported as "The Great Sandpiper, *Tringa crassirostris* . . . collected by Mr. J. B. Mason . . . at the Gippsland Lakes, during the autumn of 1895".

Campbell himself dealt with this record later, in *Nests and Eggs of Australian Birds*, p. 822, where he wrote—"I was somewhat too hasty in extending the locality (i.e. of *T. crassirostris*) to Victoria. Afterwards . . . I proved it to be the Common Knot".

Thus there is as yet no authentic record for Victoria of the Great Knot (*Calidris tenuirostris*).

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CORRECTION

The caption under the top figure on plate 6 of vol. 58, accompanying John Warham's article on courtship feeding of the Blue Wren, refers to a male and young, whereas actually it shows a male displaying and a female begging (that is reverting to juvenile behaviour). Editorial apology is made to the author: the Editor did not have access to the photograph when the caption was written and overlooked its connection with the text.