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The Editor, Sir,

STATUS OF GREAT BARRIER ISLAND BIRDS: CORRECTIONS AND ADDITIONS

It is with some consternation that I find the final printing of my paper 'Status of Great Barrier Island Birds' (Notornis 23 (4): 310-319) does not incorporate many of the changes I found necessary to make when correcting the galley-proofs (I did not receive any pageproofs). May I therefore take this opportunity of rather belatedly setting the records straight by listing some of the more obvious corrections that are needed?

- p. 310, Cook's Petrel, line 10: for 'evamined' read 'examined.'p. 311, Cook's Petrel, line 2: for 'Whangapouapoua' read 'Whangapouapoua' parapara.'
- p. 313, Cook's Petrel, line 6: should read '. . . on the summit and two were juveniles . .
- p. 313, White-faced Heron, line 11: delete bracket, insert comma.
 p. 314, Pukeko, line 6: for 'Oruawhero' read 'Oruawharo.'
 p. 314, Parakeet, line 3: for '1975' read '1976.'

- p. 314, Rifleman, line 1: for 'Harataongo' read 'Harataonga.'
- p. 314, Rifleman, lines 4 & 5: should read '(S. Reed, pers. comm., Reed 1972).

- p. 315, Welcome Swallow, line 1: for 'Oruawhero' read 'Oruawharo.' p. 315, Welcome Swallow, line 5: should read 'A. J. Goodwin.' p. 315, Welcome Swallow, postscript: should read 'A report by A. J. Goodwin (Classified Summarised Notes 1973) of 4 at Whangapoua estuary and 1 at Mabey's Road on 9 January 1972 should read 3 and 1 birds respectively on 9 January 1973.

p. 315, Pied Tit: full scientific name should read 'Petroica macrocephala toitoi.'

p. 315, Pied Tit, line 5: for '1973' read '1976.'

- p. 315, Silvereye: full scientific name should read 'Zosterops lateralis lateralis.
- p. 316, Indian Myna, line 5: should read '. . and Bell & Brathwaite believed the species ...

p.316, Indian Myna, line 11: for 'Oruawhero' read 'Oruawharo.'
p. 316, N.I. Kokako, line 2: for 'came' read 'come.'
p. 316, N.I. Kokako, line 9: for 'Rangiwakaea' read 'Rangiwhakaea.'

p. 316, N.I. Kokako, line 13: after 'northern area' insert 'from goats and pigs.'

p. 317, Discussion, 2nd paragraph, line 4: for 'Australian' read 'Australasian.'

p. 317, Discussion, 3rd paragraph, line 5: for 'Kokao' read 'Kokako.' p. 318, Literature Cited: Insert the following additional references:

GOODWIN, A. J. 1973. Welcome Swallow (Hirundo neoxena).

P. 370 in EDGAR, A. T. (comp.). Classified Summarised Notes. Notornis 20 (4): 346-376.

HUTTON, F. W.; KIRK, T. 1868. Description of Arid Island, Transactions and Proceedings of the Hauraki Gulf.

N.Z. Institute 1: 108-112.

OLIVER, W. R. B. 1955. New Zealand Birds. Revised and enlarged edition. 661 pp. Wellington: A. H. & A. W. Reed.

I regret that the tedious task of incorporating these changes has been transferred from author to reader, but the situation that arose was beyond my control.

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The Editor regrets that he was unable to post the proofs to the author in time to avoid the pre-Christmas mail rush. Although Dr Bell corrected his proofs promptly and returned them forthwith (including additions which he had asked to be allowed to make at galley proof stage), apart from 13 printers' errors picked up by the Editor and corrected, they could not be incorporated into an already greatly delayed December issue.

The Editor offers his unreserved and sincere apologies to Dr Bell and his readers for this incident.