

NOTICES TO MEMBERS.

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING.—A Special General Meeting of the Society was held in the Dominion Museum, Wellington, on January 17, 1953. The North Island Vice-President, Mr. H. R. McKenzie, presided over a small attendance of members. A resolution providing for the doubling of subscriptions was amended and subscriptions now are: 5s. for juniors (up to the age of 18 years); 7s. 6d. for ordinary members; 10s. for endowment members; and £6 6s. for life members (over the age of 30 years). After considerable discussion, the new constitution drafted by the committee appointed for the purpose in 1951, was amended and adopted. The society was subsequently registered as an incorporated society on January 21, 1953.

GRANT FOR RINGING SCHEME.—In making the society a grant of £25 towards the cost of purchasing additional rings, the Department of Internal Affairs wishes the society all success in the continuation of its ringing work and looks forward to further years of close co-operation with the society in its activities. An extract from a letter from the Assistant-Secretary for Internal Affairs, states, "Although the Ornithological Society does not concern itself with protection of birds, but with their study and observation, I am pleased to say that it has indirectly done a great deal for protection of native birds because of the knowledge about them it has put on record. This Department has already had positive evidence of the interest in bird protection that the society's work has aroused." (Signed) G. L. O'Halloran. The society is grateful to the Department and the Controller of the Wildlife Division, Mr. G. F. Yerex, for the interest displayed in its activities and for the practical form of encouragement given.

NEW TREASURER.—Mr. J. M. Cunningham relinquished the position of treasurer, and Miss M. Macdonald, "Keppoch Lodge," Sale Street, Howick, Auckland, was appointed by the council to fill the vacancy as from April 1, 1953. All subscriptions should, therefore, now be sent to Miss Macdonald.

MEMBERS' ADDRESSES.—Members are again urged to check their addresses on the envelope and advise the secretary of any errors immediately.

NEST RECORDS AND BEACH PATROL.—Nest Records cards should be sent to Mr. J. King, Box 448, Masterton, and Beach Patrol cards to Mr. R. K. Dell, Dominion Museum, Wellington.

NOTORNIS REPORTED SEEN IN 1910.—In my letter published in the last issue of Notornis (p. 83) the location of Gear Arm was inadvertently given as being in George Sound, whereas it should have been Bradshaw Sound.—W. A. Cumming, Palmerston North.

CLASSIFIED NOTES.—The names of the following contributors should be added to those published in the last issue (p. 85):—

R. V. McIntock, Mrs. Stirling	L. E. Walker, Mrs., Dunedin.
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