necked Stints occur near Sydney in impressive numbers, but the biggest flocks of Bar-tailed Godwits (c. 200) and Knots (c. 50) are very modest by New Zealand standards. The authors remark that the biggest flocks of Bar-tailed Godwits occur in winter.

The information about the plovers and dotterels which breed in Australia makes interesting reading. Red-capped and Black-fronted Dotterels are plentiful in south-eastern Australia. Will they do as the Spur-winged Plover has done in recent years and colonise New Zealand? Local observers will do well to keep an alert eye open for their appearance.

A long and historic list of references gives added value to this admirable account of the waders of Sydney (County of Cumberland), which, incidentally, is in the same latitude as New Zealand's 'far north.'

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