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INTRODUCTION.

The great amount of space taken up by the short notes prevented the inclusion of any other items in the last number. The Society gratefully acknowledges the following donations:—Messrs. K. H. Hindwood and B. Sladden, £1; Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Fleming, Mr. E. W. Hursthouse and "Bird Lover," 10s; Dr. K. A. Wodzicki, 5s; Mr. J. R. Eyles, 2s 6d; "Tui," 1s 6d. Please remember that subscriptions are due in July, a considerable number for this year have not yet been received, and please contribute to the publication fund if possible. The Society would be grateful also for any books, notes, photographs, etc., dealing with ornithology. A number of members are already availing themselves of the opportunity of borrowing the various publications in the possession of the Society, and we should like to extend the scope of this.

The numbers of members is now about 160, and it is hoped that all will endeavour to enlist additional ones at every opportunity. We regret very much to record the deaths of two members—Mr. W. J. Ferguson, of Invercargill, and Mr. C. V. Thomson, of Stewart Island.

We are indebted to the South Australian Ornithological Association, who have agreed to exchange publications with us, and we now possess "The South Australian Ornithologist," Vol. XVI, Parts 1-8. We are also indebted to Messrs. P. C. Bull and C. A. Fleming for donating separates of their recent papers, and it is very much to be hoped that all who publish, or have published, papers on New Zealand birds, will present copies to the Society, so that we may have as complete a series as possible for reference. Four papers have also been very kindly donated by the British Trust for Ornithology.

Attention is again directed to the Special Investigations, and especially at this season to that of clutch sizes. Please make a special